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**Joan Collins
Dáil Éireann
Leinster House
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Ref: PQ 46819/23

Re: Our Lady of Hope school in Crumlin

“To ask the Minister for Children; Equality; Disability; Integration and Youth to clarify if all children in a school (details supplied) will have access to services; and what the plans are to broaden these hours and services in the school.”

- Joan Collins

Dear Deputy Collins,

I refer to the above Parliamentary Question which has been referred by the Minister for Children; Equality; Disability; Integration and Youth to the Health Service Executive for direct response. I requested the Business Manager in Disability Services to examine the matter and the following outlines the position.

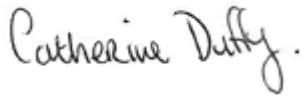
Children's Disability Network Team 3 (CDNT 3), Armagh Road have been sanctioned a small number of therapy assistant posts to support children attending Our Lady of Hope School. The team are working with the Principal of the school to ensure a robust system for referrals and support is put in place. Specific supports and the level of support provided to individual children in the school will be based on clinical need. The team are also liaising with the National Council for Special Education (NCSE) Team from the School Inclusion Model regarding previous interventions that have been provided to the school. This will ensure consistency of approach and protect against resource duplication. Supports provided to children within the school will be in keeping with the model of care developed under Progressing Disability including the principles of family centeredness and meaningful participation within the functional environment.

The CDNT do not provide nursing supports into the school environment.

I trust this information is of use to you. If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely,

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A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Catherine Duffy." The signature is written in a cursive style.

Margaret O'Neill

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