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The Ecumenical Patriarch thanks the Arsakeia Schools for supporting the schools of Imbros



At the initiative and encouragement of the President of the Arsakeia Schools, Professor Georgios Babiniotis, the Schools of the Philekpadeftiki Etaireia (Φιλεκπαιδευτική Εταιρεία, Society for Promoting Education and Learning [SPEL]) have provided and continue to provide assistance to the schools of Imbros.

As part of the Arsakeia School's ongoing support to the Schools of Imbros, materials have already been offered for their library, while many informational events were held at the Arsakeia Schools with the participation of the Imbrian Association of Athens, as well as Imbrian educators, such as the former Director of the Greek Gymnasium – Lyceum of Imbros, Mr. Ioakeim Kampouropoulos. The 1st Arsakeia Lyceum of Psychiko has been twinned with the Gymnasium – Lyceum of Imbros.

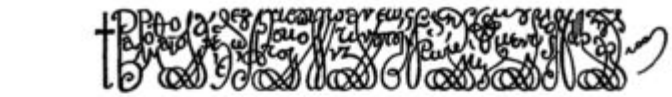
During Christmas in 2024, it was decided to raise money to support the Imbros Schools through the Christmas markets held at the Arsakeia Schools. The money

raised was used to purchase the necessary equipment, following the suggestions of Fr. Chrysanthos and the Imbrian Cultural Association, to upgrade the operation of the Imbros Schools' Computer Laboratory.

The list of purchases included: Eight computers for the upgrade of the Technology Laboratory with new generation computers, five laptops for the need for students to complete assignments, four computers for the upgrade of existing ones in high school classrooms, with the aim of providing a better experience using interactive whiteboards with new generation computers, two video projectors to cover two rooms, eight speakers for the classrooms, for use with interactive whiteboards.

All of the above were delivered, after consultation, to the Imbrian Association of Athens on Friday, 31 January, in order to be gradually transferred to the Schools on Imbros.

His All-Holiness Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew, after being informed of the above by the Superintendent of Schools of the Philekpadeftiki Etaireia (Φιλεκπαιδευτική Εταιρεία, Society for Promoting Education and Learning [SPEL]), Ms. Nelli Pappa, sent the following letter of thanks:



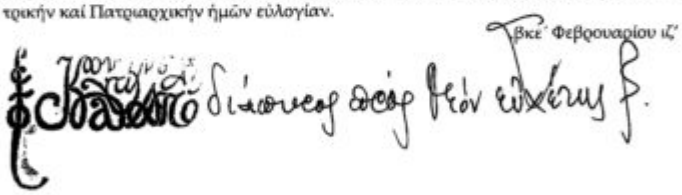
Τῇ Ἐλλογιμωτάτῃ Δρι Νέλλη Παππᾶ, Ἐποπτρίᾳ τῶν Σχολείων τῆς Φιλεκπαιδευτικῆς Ἑταιρείας, θυγατρὶ τῆς ἡμῶν Μετριότητος ἐν Κυρίῳ ἀγαπητῇ, χάριν καί εἰρήνην παρά Θεοῦ.

Μετά πατρικῆς χαρᾶς καί βαθείας συγκινήσεως ἐλάβομεν τό ἀπό ι΄ Φεβρουαρίου ἐ. ἔ. γράμμα τῆς ὑμετέρας ἀγαπητῆς Ἐλλογιμότητος, ὑποβαλλούσης περί τῆς ὑπό τῶν σχολείων τῆς Φιλεκπαιδευτικῆς Ἑταιρείας ἀγορᾶς καί διαθέσεως ἠλεκτρονικῶν ὑπολογιστῶν καί τεχνικοῦ ἐξοπλισμοῦ εἰς τά σχολεῖα τῆς Ἴμβρου, πρός βελτίωσιν τοῦ παρεχομένου ἐκπαιδευτικοῦ ἔργου αὐτῶν.

Εἰς ἀπάντησιν, προαγόμεθα ἵνα διά τῶν μετά χεῖρας Πατριαρχικῶν ἡμῶν εὐχετικῶν Γραμμάτων ἐκφράσωμεν τάς ἐγκαρδίους εὐχαριστίας τῆς Μητρός Ἐκκλησίας καί ἡμῶν προσωπικῶς πρός ὑμᾶς καί πρός τήν Φιλεκπαιδευτικήν Ἑταιρείαν διά τήν πρόφρονα καί εὐγενῆ ταύτην χειρονομίαν ὑμῶν, ἀποσκοποῦσαν εἰς τήν εὔρυθμον καί ἀπρόσκοπτον λειτουργίαν τῶν σχολικῶν μονάδων τῆς προσφιλοῦς γενετείρας ἡμῶν Ἴμβρου. Συγχαίρομεν ὑμᾶς διά τό ἐνδιαφέρον σας, διά τά καί ἐμπράκτως ἐκδηλούμενα ἀγαθά αἰσθήματά σας, διά τήν ἀγάπην σας καί διά τήν ὑλικήν ἀλλά καί ἠθικήν ἐνίσχυσιν εἰς τά ἡμέτερα ἐκεῖ ἐκπαιδευτικά ἱδρύματα. Τοιαῦται πρωτοβουλίαι ἐνισχύουν τό φρόνημα τῶν κατοίκων τῆς Ἴμβρου καί ἐκλαμβάνονται ὡς παραμυθία καί παρηγορία εἰς τάς δυσκόλους συνθήκας ζωῆς των. Ἡ πρωτοβουλία αὕτη ἀποδεικνύει τήν ἀγάπην καί τόν σεβασμόν ὑμῶν πρός τήν Μητέρα Ἐκκλησίαν.

Ἐπί δέ τούτοις, τά κράτιστα αἰτούμεθα ὑμῖν καί ἐπικαλούμεθα ἐφ᾽ ὑμᾶς τήν χάριν τοῦ Θεοῦ καί τό ἄπειρον ἔλεος Αὐτοῦ, ἐπιδαψιλεύοντες ὑμῖν ἀμέριστον τήν πατρικήν καί Πατριαρχικήν ἡμῶν εὐλογίαν.

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