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Under this current Government children diagnosed with AUTISM are being robbed:

- Of their right to an appropriate education
- Of the opportunity to develop to their full potential
- Of the possibility of living an independent life
- Of the security of a brighter future

St Catherine's ABA School at Barnacoyle, Co. Wicklow has 30 pupils and the Department of Education's refusal to properly fund their education will rob them of a positive future.

Please think carefully – if your child or grandchild is diagnosed with autism you will want the best possible chance for them to reach their potential. Look at the past record of this Government - will children get the best chance if this Government is re-elected? Our children have but one chance at childhood. Make your vote count for their future.

VOTE TO SAVE BARNACOYLE ABA SCHOOL

Parties who support Saving St. Catherine's ABA School at Barnacoyle are: **Fine Gael, Labour Party, Green Party & Sinn Féin**

For more information go to: **WWW.SAVEBARNACOYLE.COM**

Why ABA?

- ABA (Applied Behavioural Analysis) is a proven method of educating children with autism – 30 years of scientific evidence proves it.
- The Department of Education funds it for children in 12 schools around the country – so they know it works.
- Independent experts who have assessed all children at Barnacoyle have recommended ABA for each child.
- It makes financial sense – invest early and children may progress to mainstream school, children may not need long term residential care.

How Can You Help?

Consider these points:

- Is it right that a child who has been recommended an ABA education is deprived of it by the Department of Education?
- Is it right that a child's future should be cruelly taken by our Government when the cost of providing their education is so small?
- Is it right that St. Catherine's Service with a history of over 30 years of excellent service to the community should have to struggle for years and still not receive funding and recognition for the ABA school?
- Vote for parties who support funding ABA in Barnacoyle: Fine Gael, Labour Party, Green Party & Sinn Féin.