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Dear Parents/Guardians

We would like to send our sincere thanks to everyone for their support and endeavours, over the past few weeks in particular, as we opened our school and welcomed the pupils back to this new reality we are working within.

Everyone, pupils, parents, staff, ex colleagues and Board members - not to forget our armed forces who also stepped in – have worked and are continuing to work really well together to prevent the spread of Covid-19 in our school.

**It is important to get this message across - we do not have any confirmed positive cases of Covid-19 in the school.**

But, should we ever have one in the future, this is **what will happen**:

- The school must take Public Health advice.
- The school must respect Confidentiality and Data Protection Law.
- The HSE will tell us who will have to restrict movements and not attend school.
- The school will follow strictly the advice of the HSE.

If the HSE gives us information for parents, we will pass it on to you straightaway.

**Please note** - The HSE has advised that if any family member has been tested for Covid-19, that family should restrict their movements until the results of the test come back.

Restricting movements means avoiding contact with other people as much as possible i.e., working from home, avoiding public transport and shops, and not having visitors to your home. If a staff member has been advised to restrict their movements, every effort is made to source substitute staff. In the event of no substitutes being available, your child's class will be closed as it is no longer recommended to place children into different classrooms as we did in the past.

We apologise in advance for any inconvenience caused by closing a class but will endeavour to give as much notice as practically possible.

\_\_\_\_\_ Frida Lowry \_\_\_\_\_ (Chairperson)

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