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to Live Together

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

The BoM and School Staff are looking forward to welcoming all our pupils and parents / guardians back to school for the 2020/2021 school year on Thursday next, 27th August.

We are satisfied that we have control measures in place to ensure that this will be a safe re-opening, in line with current guidance and recommendations. The Logistics Plan (attached) details specific plans and procedures we will be using. It will take some time for all of us to get used to the “new circumstances” as we become familiar with the new routines and procedures designed to keep everyone safe and to prevent the spread of the virus. There will, undoubtedly, be some unforeseen challenges and we will deal with these as they arise.

We would ask all parents to familiarise themselves with the Logistics Plan, in particular the drop-off and collection routines for the safe delivery and collection of pupils from school. Please be patient as we endeavour to embed these necessary precautionary and protective practices at the beginning of the school year. It is imperative that during drop off and collection times, adults do not come within 2m of each other, parents do not try to have meetings with members of staff, and all parents adhere to the drop-off and collection plans as outlined in the Logistics Plan.

While all children will be welcome back to school, we would remind parents that, where children are displaying colds, coughs or flu like symptoms, they should not be sent to school. Children who display such symptoms in school will be isolated and parents asked to collect them from the school.

Children who have travelled from countries not on the Green List should not attend school during the 14-day self-isolation period. <https://www.gov.ie/en/publication/8868e-view-the-covid-19-travel-advice-list/>

Further information on COVID-19 symptoms in children is available at: -
<https://www2.hse.ie/conditions/coronavirus/if-your-child-has-symptoms.html>

Teachers will make children aware of the proper hygiene procedures regarding hand washing and etiquette related to sneezing, coughing, etc. We would be grateful if you could also emphasise safe behaviour in this regard to your children at home as part of the preparation for returning to school.

Our aim remains to re-open the school in an orderly safe manner, while reassuring the children and making them feel comfortable, safe and relaxed with their friends in the new school environment. This will be achieved by all of us working towards this common goal.

Kind regards,

Anthony Mackey

Eleanor Barker

Chairperson, BoM

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