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Dear Parents,

23rd June 2020, should have been the day we got our summer holidays. Little did we think when we started the school year on 29th August that we would be closed since 13th March. It has been an unprecedented few months. When we closed everyone was thrown in at the deep end. We endeavoured to ensure that children were given some structure in their education. We know it hasn't been easy and we applaud your efforts as we appreciate every family has different circumstances.

We await to hear the guidelines the Department of Education will give us with regard to re-opening. We would imagine that we will be doing a lot of revision in the first few weeks/months back. Please be assured that each child is in the same boat and the children's health and wellbeing will be our top priority. We will be in contact with you during the Summer on any information / guidelines / protocols we receive in relation to a safe return.

We hope to have a provisional date for the first Holy Communion in the coming days and I will relay this information as soon as we know. We would like to wish our ten 1st class boys all the best as they move on to the Boys School. No doubt we will be in contact again at various joint events. Best wishes also to our fourteen 6th class girls as they make the transition to secondary school. They have been a wonderful group of girls and I am sure they will be successful in the next adventure of their lives.

We thank everyone who has paid for the book rental scheme so far. Signing up to the scheme and payment is still being accepted. Please complete form at <https://forms.gle/qjeZdQK9UeorUvNo7>
Payment online: **IBAN: IE49BOFI90597769236177** and mark your payment with your child's name.

On a personal note I would like to thank you all for the wonderful welcome and support you have shown me in my first year. We hope you have an enjoyable July and August and we look forward to getting started again in the new school year.

Tomás Mc Loughlin

