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Dear Parent/ Guardian,

I would like to take this opportunity to wish Parents/ Guardians, Teachers, SNAs, Staff and especially all our pupils a very happy New Year!

As you are aware, there are high levels of Covid-19 in all communities nationwide at present. Please see important information below for your reference which will ensure a continued smooth operation of our school routines and practices.

Reporting of Cases to the School.

Parents need to notify the school if your child tests positive for Covid-19, either through an Antigen Test or a PCR Test. If the child was symptomatic while in school, we can then notify the parents of the other children who share a pod with your child who can then apply for Antigen Tests.

Antigen Testing

Those aged between 4-39 years of age and who have Covid-19 symptoms can now order HSE antigen test kits by clicking on this link. <https://www.hse.ie/antigentesting/>

Congregating

There should be NO congregating at the school gate at either Collection or Drop Off times.

Attendance

Any pupil displaying any symptoms of Covid-19 should NOT attend school. Any absence from child should be recorded at the following link

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScRHvcX9heYoOntPaX6B2LvsCPd8TzExUZqu0lXyNTLWrjnlQ/viewform>

School Context

All classrooms in our school are being ventilated naturally with open windows, monitored by teachers with the use of CO2 monitors. All classrooms and SET rooms in our school will be served by Hepa Filter Air Purifiers early next week.

All classes will engage in movement breaks which will take place outdoors, weather permitting, thus allowing rooms to ventilate naturally.

Children should also wear an extra base layer of clothing as windows will continue to be open during the school day.

Thank you for everything to date

Kind Regards, Tomás Mc Loughlin