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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Following the recent announcement that P1-P3 pupils will return to school from Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March, please be advised of the following update -

Face-to-face teaching will restart for P1-P3 pupils from Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March and continue until Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> March. School will be closed from Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> - Friday 19<sup>th</sup> March for the St Patrick's holiday, and all classes will resume Remote Learning from Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> March. When back onsite, the classes will once again form their own Protective Bubbles with appropriate social distancing. Teachers will be available to receive pupils in their classrooms from 9 a.m. onwards, so please do not drop pupils off before this time due to the continuation of current restrictions.

Supervised Learning will continue to be available for P4-P7 vulnerable or key worker children, following the same routines which have been in place since the beginning of January. Supervised learners shall form their own bubble whilst in school. If you intend to avail of supervised learning, please inform Mr Gallagher via email by 12 noon each Friday, so that appropriate cover arrangements can be established for the following week.

***Please do not send pupils into school if they have any of the COVID-19 symptoms such as a persistent cough, high temperature, loss of sense of smell/taste or any "flu" like symptoms.***

**On arrival each morning, pupils should enter the school building through the following doors -**

P1 the top door at the end of corridor, beside the MUGA Pitch;

P2 their cloakroom door;

P3 their cloakroom door;

P4-P7 supervised learners, the door beside the library.

Supervised learning will now be based in the P6 classroom and not the assembly hall.

**Break times -**

10.30 - 10.45 a.m. for P1 & P2.

10.45 - 11 a.m. for P3 & P4-P7 supervised learners.

**Lunch times -**

11.45 - 12.25 p.m. for P1 & P2;

12.15 - 12.55 p.m. for P3 & P4-P7 supervised learners.

Pupils taking lunch can bring in their lunch boxes and reusable bottles if so desired. Our kitchen is reopening, so school dinners will be available. The menu can be downloaded from our website.

**Home time arrangements -**

**At 2 p.m.**

P1 will exit through the top door and can be collected from their normal location at the green gate;

P2 will exit through their cloakroom door and can be collected from their normal location at the green gate;

P3 will exit through the front door and can be collected from the front of the school.

**At 3 p.m.**

P4-P7 supervised learners will exit through door beside library and can be collected from the front of the school.

Please note that to protect the integrity of the bubbles, P1-P3 children should not join their siblings at supervised learning at 2 p.m. However, P4-P7 supervised learners may leave at 2 p.m. with their younger siblings to reduce the number of journeys to school for parents/guardians.

Please follow the latest Public Health Authority guidance on social distancing and avoiding congestion at the school gates when dropping off and collecting pupils.

As I am sure you will understand and appreciate, the updated routines being implemented are designed to ensure a safe return to school during this phase. We would really appreciate your full co-operation with these routines, which will hopefully lead to a full return to school for all pupils in the not too distant future.

In the meantime, keep safe and well.

Yours sincerely,

*John Gallagher*

Principal.