



Dear Parents/Guardians,

You may have heard through the media that schools will now not be reopening tomorrow for pupils with additional needs. We will continue to provide differentiated support for these pupils on Seesaw. If any parent needs more support, please contact us and let us know.

Thank you to those of you who responded to our surveys. If you have not yet responded and would like to, here are the links:

Parent Survey:

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=lhko6DOEcUqy1m99UPfzlAVO2ykUcOIFrKZ-PQNMexBUOVg1MFBYODdUSVdTQU0yMDhWN1VHM1oyMS4u>

Pupil Survey:

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=lhko6DOEcUqy1m99UPfzlAVO2ykUcOIFrKZ-PQNMexBUQkxPNldPSUVSSjI1VkvPMVJaRUhXOTQ4NC4u>

Based on feedback from staff, parents and pupils, we are going to trial some Zoom calls with a number of classes as a means of checking in with the pupils. No teaching will take place on these calls, so if your child cannot attend, s/he will not miss out on any learning. We also hope to have Zoom assemblies during the school closure and on our return to school as a way of keeping the pupils and classes connected. We have conducted a risk assessment of online learning which you can find attached. We also created an addendum to our Data Protection Policy (attached). These have been developed in order to ensure the safety of all involved. We have also attached a poster of Zoom Rules for the pupils.

You will be informed in advance of the time and date for the Zoom call for your child's class. You will need to fill out the online permission form which will be sent to you before the first call takes place. A link to the Zoom call will be shared shortly before the meeting is due to start.

A waiting room will be enabled on every call. The family name must be displayed for the child to be admitted to the call. For example, if the child's name is Mary Ryan, we will accept the child to the call if the parent's name, Teresa Ryan, is visible. Device names such as Samsung0526 will not be admitted as we cannot verify the identity of the person. As this is the first time that these calls will be conducted, we would ask for your patience whilst everyone becomes familiar with them.

Zoom Rules

The child should be in a common area in the house (not a bedroom)

This should be a quiet place with no passing traffic

An adult should be present in the house whilst the call is taking place

Appropriate clothing should be worn (not pyjamas)

Regular school rules apply to the call

Video must be turned on

Microphones should be muted when pupils are not speaking

No recording/screenshots

No eating

We look forward to connecting with the pupils through video calls.

Kind regards,

Grace Burke

Principal