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Dear Parent/Guardian,

This morning the Minister of Education made another announcement to say that Primary schools are to provide remote learning at home to their pupils rather than face to face teaching in school until after the Mid Term Break.

As previously communicated, all teaching will be done remotely and we will be using our platforms of Seesaw and Google Classroom to provide this learning for the children from Friday 8 January 2021. We, as a school, are confident with the blended learning provision we have put in place, which has been tried and tested and we are all here to support you and our children.

A few key points for remote learning:

- Each teacher will post on Seesaw/ Google Classroom an outline of how they will be supporting the children over the next few weeks
- Some of the children's passwords may have expired over the Christmas break but if this is the
 case a new password will be texted out so they can log into C2k and therefore access Google
 Classroom
- If you need to contact the teacher for any reason you may post a message through Seesaw or Google Classroom and the teacher will get back to you.
- If your child is ill and cannot engage in remote learning, please let the teacher know.
- If your child is not engaging with the work, the teacher will contact you after two days to clarify any issues.
- P4 to P7 who are using Google Classroom will have two Google Meet Group sessions with their teacher for 15 minutes daily. Please check your teacher's announcement in Google Classroom for details on your allocated time.

Protocol regarding Google Meet:

- Sessions must not be recorded
- Only pupils within the teaching group may join
- Pupils will behave in a manner that would be expected in a normal classroom environment
- This platform will only be used within normal class times, 9am to 2.45pm
- Pupils will mute microphone until instructed by the teacher to allow turn taking
- Cameras must be on at all times for the duration of the meeting.

Please note that Key workers`/vulnerable children who are being supervised in school, because they have exhausted all other measures of childcare, will be completing the same work as the children at home. There will be no face to face teaching. We will be in contact with those who have registered for a place in due course.

If you have any general queries, please contact the office. Thank you for your continued support and understanding through these difficult times.

Regards

U Farrell

Principal