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## Scoil Lios na Groí

Lisnagry National School



## Dear Parents.

I hope everyone is well and looking forward to the full resumption of school next Monday. We have consulted with public health on the guidelines around how to manage symptoms and the potential impact on siblings - this will become increasingly relevant next week.

If a household member has any of the Covid 19 symptoms (common, sometimes or rare), then all household members should restrict their movements (not attend school) pending a G.P. assessment. This assessment is free and it is vital to use in these circumstances.

If the G.P. deems that no test is required, then the siblings can return to school (the child with symptoms needs to be symptom free for 48 hours before returning, to avoid the spread of any other bugs in the classroom). If a test is required, then siblings continue to restrict movements until the result is confirmed.

We appreciate that this is potentially very inconvenient, but it is necessary in order to keep such a crowded environment safe and it is the advice of public health.

The symptoms of Covid 19 are:

Common: Fever or chills, a new cough, shortness of breath, loss or changed sense of smell or taste, fatigue, aches and pains.

Sometimes: Sore throat, Headaches, Runny or stuffy nose.

Rare: Feeling sick or vomitting, diarrhoea.

If your child has any of the symptoms above, you should not send them or their siblings to school pending a consultation with your G.P. If your child develops any of these symptoms while in school, we will follow our procedures around isolation and ask that they and their siblings are collected.

We appreciate the school community's help and co-operation in keeping everybody safe. The HSE Return to School Parental Declaration Form must be completed for all pupils from 3rd to 6th Class that are returning on Monday. This is available on our website under the Covid 19 section or you can access with the link below.

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=-UlxOMSds0ClePn418FSfLDTzJ62Ep9Dp8xTBVyE0IFUN0xZNVdDVlpBUDJQMlhGQ0kxNUxVRDBHSi4u

Attached please see information in relation to an online Internet Safety & Cyberbullying talk for parents by Ger Brick. Ger previously has spoken to both pupils and parents here in the school and we have found his talks to be very relevant and useful. This will take place over the Easter break.

We will be celebrating Seachtain na Gaeilge in the school next week. This is an International festival to celebrate Irish language and culture. Each year, we have lots of activities organised throughout the school to celebrate this event. This year will be no different despite celebrations taking place on a slightly smaller scale than usual. This year activities will be celebrated at an individual class level. Although we are unable to host whole school events this year we are asking the whole school community, where possible to get into the spirit of the celebrations on Tuesday 16th by participating in 'Lá Glas' / 'Green Day'. On Tuesday 16th we are asking your child to incorporate the colour green into their outfit if possible.

If you have any further questions please contact us.

"Ní ceart go cur le chéile" - there is strength in togetherness.

Kind regards, MICHAEL FEENEY