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Dear Parent(s) / Guardian(s),

This is an update on the letter posted here yesterday. As you are aware there has been an outbreak of Covid infection in our sixth year group emanating from a recent outbreak in the community. The HSE has advised that there are now five confirmed cases of Covid-19 among our Sixth Year group. Following a risk assessment by Public Health Officers, it was decided, as a precautionary measure to send all of our Sixth Year students for Covid Tests. These students have now been tested and they cannot return to school until it is deemed safe for them to do so after a second negative test result.

HSE have further advised that there is no public health concern at the moment relating to any other year group in the school. We currently have no reports of any Covid cases among any other class and have no grounds to ask students to remain at home except for the Sixth Years, and siblings of those Sixth Years with a positive result. However, I do of course appreciate the concerns of parents and respect their right to keep their children at home during this outbreak. Teachers will do their best to keep all those students updated on TEAMS either through live classes or by leaving work. Those students staying at home should log on to their TEAMS accounts every day.

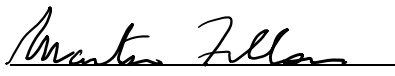
As has been the case since the start of the school year, the advice remains, that if your son or daughter exhibits any Covid symptoms, they should self-isolate and you should contact your GP. We continue to follow all necessary precautions to prevent spread of the infection in the school.

Because of the outbreak in the community the HSE Public Health are setting up a drop in testing clinic for asymptomatic people of the local area to take place in the Mayflower starting on this Friday afternoon. To facilitate this, we are closing the school at 12 Noon on this Friday.

Further useful information may be obtained from the HSE web-site, or on the HSE freephone number : 1850241850.

I am pleased to report that those positive cases from our school are doing well.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Martin Fallon", is written over a horizontal line.

Martin Fallon

Principal