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PARENT INTERVIEWS FEBRUARY 2021

Dear Parent/ Guardian,

At the start of this school year, we had pencilled parent interviews into our school diary for February 2021. We intend to proceed with our annual parent interviews as planned. Advice from the Department of Education has emphasised that *these should not be in person this year*. Therefore, it is our intention to conduct parent interviews via teleconference and telephone.

Parent Interviews will take place during the week beginning ***Mon 8th February (most likely Tues-Thurs)***. For P1 and P2 children, this will be via telephone, as See-saw does not have the capacity for teleconference. For P3-P7 interviews will take place via teleconference on Microsoft Teams using your child's class team. Unlike other years we are unable to give exact time slots for parent interviews but, would ask parents/guardians to contact their child's class teacher via email, to indicate a day and morning or afternoon preference. P1 and P2 parents may use Seesaw to contact the teacher. Meetings will take 10 minutes as in other years and may focus on the usual aspects of parent interviews, classwork, behaviour and attitude to work, as well as engagement with remote learning. Teachers will inform parents of their interview slot as appropriate.

In order to ensure confidentiality, we would ask that *only* parents/guardians are present for parent interviews.

During the week of parent interviews, there will be a reduction in remote learning tasks and activities for the children. This is to facilitate teachers having the appropriate time to conduct parent interviews.

We recognise the importance of parent interviews, even in the current lockdown circumstances and hope to maintain good communication between parents and school. Parents will then receive a written report in the latter part of the third term.

Thank you, in advance, for your assistance.

Yours faithfully,

J McAuley

Principal.