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Dear Parent/ Guardian

We have had a great "Back to School Active Travel Challenge" week. So many bikes, scooters and children walking to school every day.... I'm sure they have been rewarded with loads of Dojo points! Today we had a great rainbow nonuniform day and there was lots of fun and excitement around school. Thank you all for your positive participation and support. Our website will no doubt be updated with lots of pictures in the next few days.

This week we also had P1 children stay until 2pm for the first time. I'm sure there may well be lots of tired children after such a busy week.

We have been monitoring the 2pm hometime carefully this week and made an adjustment to the arrangements mid-week, due to the congestion we had observed at the green gate. Unfortunately, we have still experienced a lot of congestion and large numbers on site. To alleviate this, I am now proposing a staggered departure beginning Monday 5th October as follows:

1:45pm: P1H 1:50pm: P1/2B 1:55pm: P2F 2pm: P3H

I would remind all <u>parents to please adhere to social distancing when collecting</u> <u>children from school and to avoid congregating in the school grounds.</u>

Finally, this weekend a group of our P5 children will make their First Holy Communion in All Saints' Church, in a ceremony which was postponed from May. We hope all the children and their families have an enjoyable day. Over the last 5 weeks they have been preparing hard, in after school classes, and we are very proud of them all.

I hope everyone has a lovely weekend.

Yours faithfully,

_J McAuley____

Principal.