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***Braidside Integrated Primary
and Nursery School***

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1989- 2019: 30 Years of Integration**

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Dear Parent/ Guardian,

During the half-term break, the NI Executive have given some information in the media, on the plan ahead for schools. Although we still await further clarity from the Department of Education, the next few weeks propose the following.

22nd Feb – 5 Mar '21: Continuation of remote learning for all pupils, with provision for key workers' children and vulnerable children in school.

8th Mar- 19th Mar '21: School to open for Nursery – P3 classes, with provision for key workers' children and vulnerable children (P4-7) in school.

22nd Mar – 26th Mar '21: Return to remote learning for all pupils, with provision for key workers' children and vulnerable children in school.

In addition to this school will be closed on **Wed 17th Mar for St. Patrick's Day** and will close for the **Easter Holidays on Friday 26th March**. We re-open after Easter on **Monday 12th April**. At this time, we remain unsure of the arrangements for schools after the Easter break but will share this as soon as we are aware. We are also mindful that the dates above are subject to change, given reports in the last few days that the NI Executive may wish to revisit their plan.

I would like to commend all the Braidside children and parents who have engaged so diligently over this term in remote learning. Our recent online survey received incredibly positive responses and I am grateful to those who participated. Our teachers and ancillary staff too, have been working incredibly hard to ensure continuation of learning and teaching. There is tremendous work being done and progress being made but all of us, I am sure, are looking forward to a return to school and face-to-face teaching. We look forward to seeing the children and their parents return hopefully, in the not-to-distant future.

Until then, take care and stay safe!

Yours faithfully,

J McAuley

Principal.