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Dear Parents,

We thank you for your support in ensuring that we have had a very positive return to school this year. The high level of communication and cooperation between home and school has ensured that we can provide the safest environment possible for our children.

While we do not envisage a school closure in the near future, we are currently putting measures in place to ensure that if for any reason, the school, or individual pods/classes, need to remain at home, we are ready to provide continuity for your child's education.

We are making a move to Microsoft from Google across the school. We will be setting up Microsoft email addresses for all children in 3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> class. If you do **not** consent to this, please feel free to get in touch with us. We hope to utilise Microsoft Teams to provide children with a space to collaborate, share online work and as a communication tool between the class teacher and the children. We will continue to use email as our primary communication means with parents.

Children in Junior classes will continue to use See-Saw. Your consent for using this platform will be obtained when you sign up. Again, if you have an issue with this, please feel free to get in touch.

There are huge benefits to utilising these online platforms for learning, separate to the potential school closures, so we hope the children will reap the benefits of engaging with these new forms of learning both in school and at home.

Thank you once again for your support,

Gerry