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Dear Parents,

Happy New Year. I hope you are well and that you and your family had a lovely Christmas. Please see the steps we will be taking in order to implement distance learning for the foreseeable future.

School Books

We are asking parents to collect their child's school books between 11am and 1.30pm on Saturday morning, January 9th. The books will be in your child's classroom. One family will be permitted in the school building at any one time and you may bring other family members with you to help carry the books with you. Please respect social distancing advice while you wait outside the school for your turn to enter. If you cannot arrange to collect the books you can create a different collection time by emailing: mrgibbons@kilricklens.com

Remote/Distance Learning

Children will be given work to complete each week which will be sent out via email on the previous Friday. For this week only, work will be sent out over the course of the weekend. Work may be broken up into daily tasks - this will be at the discretion of the class/support teacher. Teachers will provide helpful notes, voice recordings and videos to assist with the learning process. Children will be asked to upload some of their work to their Seesaw account so that teachers can provide feedback. If you cannot find your child's login details please contact your class teacher.

For children receiving support, their support teacher, Ms. Lusted, will have access to your child's Seesaw account also and will be in touch with you regarding your child's progress.

There will be at least one Zoom call each week with pupils. Parents do not need to be present for this call but we do ask that you give permission for your child to be present on this call by clicking <u>here</u>. Your child's class teacher and/or support teacher will be in contact with you shortly to give further information on remote learning specific to your own child.

We understand that this is a difficult and stressful time for families at home and therefore we ask that the children try their best and not become overwhelmed with the workload. If the school work becomes problematic please do not hesitate to contact your child's class or support teacher via email.

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Devices

The school has acquired a number of iPads over the last number of years. If you feel that your family needs a school iPad so as to better engage with distance learning please email <u>mrgibbons@kilricklens.com</u>. There is a €50 deposit required to take the iPad. This can be given on Saturday. This money will be returned to you so long as the iPad is returned in the same condition.

As the situation evolves so too may our strategies to assist with distance learning. Therefore we appreciate your understanding and co-operation with all of the above. We are here to help. I look forward to seeing you Saturday morning.

Le gach dea-ghuí,

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