

St. Cuana's N.S. Kilcoona, Headford, Co. Galway

Friday, 8th January 2021

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We hope that all our students and families enjoyed a lovely Christmas. We also want to wish you a Happy New Year. Our biggest wish is that everyone in our community is safe and well.

Little did we think we would have to write to you again to plan for another school building closure. We had a glimmer of hope to open our special classes and spent time since that announcement getting plans in place, but that too was overturned yesterday.

We are clinging to the hope that this period of closure will be short lived, we have remained open at level 5 before, during October/November, so if the numbers come down, please God we will receive direction to permit us to open our doors again.

Until then...

1. We will have our book collection on Monday, 11th January. Please see a separate document attached with details of the same.
2. Teachers will communicate in two ways during this closure:
 - a. **Aladdin** where work will be available on the Homework section of the App.
 - b. **SeeSaw** where completed tasks can be uploaded, tasks will be set and communication from the teacher will be available.
3. We ask that you use email communication for questions or concerns you may have regarding your child's learning. Please do not send photos of work through email as this caused issues with downloading big files in areas with poor connection speeds.

For our children with Special Education Needs, the Special Education Teachers will be in touch regarding additional support you may need at this time.

Please take care of yourselves, health and safety is crucial at this time. For people who are working from home, families that have older children who need devices, we understand. Please do not feel pressure from the school - it's not what is needed or not what we intend at this time - we are merely following guidelines from the Department and offering ideas for your child to continue with their learning while the building remains closed.

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