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Dear Parents/Guardians,

I wish to confirm that last night we were notified of a confirmed case of Covid-19 in our school community.

The person was not in school during the infectious period.

A public health risk assessment has been undertaken and nobody in school has been deemed to be a close contact of the confirmed case (Please see letter attached from the HSE).

I also wish to confirm that all PPE products in use in Abbey Community College are on the approved list from the Department of Education and Skills. A thorough check was undertaken during the mid-term break.

On Thursday, 22nd October, we had a Department of Education and Skills SSPS Covid-19 Inspection which was based on *Supporting the Safe Provision of Schooling*. This inspection was carried out to ensure that our school was in compliance with the *Return to School* Protocols and current *Health and Safety* guidelines. We are pleased to report that we are in full compliance. (Please see report in Covid-19 section of school website – www.abbeycommunitycollege.com).

Yours faithfully,

Michelle Jefford



Feidhmeannacht na Seirbhíse Sláinte
Health Service Executive

02/11/2020

Re: Confirmed case of COVID-19 at your school

No Close Contacts.

A confirmed case of COVID-19 in your school has been notified to the Department of Public Health HSE SE. The person was not in school during the infectious period.

A public health risk assessment has been undertaken and nobody in your school was deemed to be a close contact of the confirmed case. As your child has not been identified as a close contact at this time, your child does not need a test for COVID-19, can continue to attend school, and no further actions are required at this time.

If your child develops any symptoms suggestive of COVID-19 infection (such as a cough, a fever, loss or change in sense of taste or smell), please do not send your child to school, contact your GP and begin restricting your child's movements, as per public health advice. Your household members will now also need to restrict their movements if there is someone symptomatic in the house.

Restricted movement means avoiding contact with other people and social situations as much as possible. It is also sometimes called 'self-quarantine'.

Restricted movement means that your child stays home and:

- Does not go to school.
- Does not use public transport.
- Does not have visitors in your home.
- Does not go to the shops or pharmacy, unless absolutely necessary.
- Keeps away from older people, anyone with an underlying medical condition and pregnant women.

Further information on COVID-19 is available at: www.hpsc.ie and www.gov.ie

Or phone HSE Live at 1850 24 1850

Yours sincerely,

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