



## Bulletin 12 for Parents/Guardians

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

Even though the country has gone back to Level 3 we are still working very hard to keep our school Covid free. Complacency is not our friend in this instance, and we ask that you remind your child of the importance of continued hand washing and sanitising.

### **#GRMA DAY – Friday December 11<sup>th</sup>**

In a showing of national solidarity and appreciation, please take time to say thanks and go raibh maith agaibh to our school communities on Friday 11 December 2020 #GRMA Day.

To acknowledge and celebrate the work being done in our school communities in maintaining a safe environment in which our children can enjoy attending school, 11 December 2020 is nominated as a day in which all of us can join together to say ‘go raibh maith agaibh!’ or GRMA!

We will be arranging treats for our students on the day and video is being sent to all schools with personalities like Paul O Connell, Enda Kenny, Sports Stars and Ministers all saying thanks to our school communities!

How can you do this? Why not ‘blow the car horn’ as you collect or drop off your child? Write a note of thanks to a teacher? Ring Orla or Bridget in the office to say thanks!

**I would like to thank you all for your continued support during what has been a very difficult time for our school. Our students have been fantastic overall and we are very proud of them and all we have achieved to date in RCS this year.**

**On this occasion we have come together to initiate a call to action to acknowledge the huge work being done in our schools to keep our children safe and to keep school premises open. This initiative has the backing of the Irish Primary Principals Network (IPPN) and the NAPD, the associations that between them represent practically all school leaders working in the ca. 4,000 primary and second level schools in the country.**

### **Masks:**

**Please supply your child with several reusable masks** – we are currently giving out about 50 masks a day and this isn’t sustainable as I’ve had to ask the Department for more funding which isn’t forthcoming until January. Thank you.

### **Covid-19 Symptoms:**

If your child is displaying **ANY symptoms of Covid-19** please keep them at home and seek the advice of your GP. Please do NOT send your child back to school unless you have sought this advice. Thank you.

### **Monday – School Closure:**

**The school will be closed to students on Monday December 7<sup>th</sup> for essential Staff training.**

### **Morning Time:**

Reminder that those of you driving students to school to please drop off from 8.30am.

**Stay safe & Best wishes, Rachel O’ Connor, Principal.**