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Dear Parent/Guardian,

I hope you had a nice Christmas break and may I take this opportunity to wish you and your family a very happy new year in 2021.

We were very hopeful before the Christmas break that school would reopen on 6 January 2021 and that school-life could continue like it did prior to Christmas. The students and staff of the school were simply remarkable in how careful and respectful each and every one of them have been with minimising risk of infection and looking after one another in our school community.

The Minister for Education Norma Foley TD announced on Wednesday 30th December that the school Christmas break would be extended by three days, with schools reopening on Monday 11th January. The decision was made to allow every member of the school community to follow public health advice closely and minimise their contacts before people return to school.

However, on Thursday 7th January the Government and the Taoiseach, Micheál Martin TD, announced that all schools will remain closed until 1st February 2021 and all classes will move online.

The senior leadership team, middle management team and teaching team at Kylemore College have prepared a plan for full remote teaching for the next three weeks. Students may call to the college on Monday morning to collect school books.

Arrangements for students to collect school books

10.15	1st Years	Gate 1	
10.45	2nd Years	Gate 2	
11.15	3rd Years	Gate 2	
11.45	Class 401	(Gate 1)	Class 402 (Gate 2)
12.15	5th Years	(Gate 1)	6th Years (Gate 2)

If any member of your family is feeling unwell, self—isolating or restricting movements, your child **should not** call to the school to collect books. We ask you to phone the college- 6265901, leave your child's name/ class and we will make alternative arrangements with you.

Students collecting books must-

- ✓ Arrive at the designated time and be punctual
- ✓ Wear a mask
- ✓ Wait outside the designated gate
- ✓ Maintain at least a 2m distance at all times
- ✓ Follow the instructions of staff member on duty

All students will have an opportunity to engage with their form tutor/ year head on Monday afternoon. The form tutor will email details for this meeting.

Remote teaching for all students will begin at **8.45am on Tuesday 12th January**. Students will follow their scheduled timetable. Teachers will record student attendance/ engagement in each subject. Please ensure your child is ready for online class at 8.45am on Tuesday morning. Students will have a mix of on-line live classes, assignments and homework.

If your child is experiencing difficulty logging on to Google classroom they should

1. Email the subject teacher directly and seek their assistance
2. Email the form tutor
3. A parent/ guardian may phone the school office on 6265901. If the office is unattended please leave a message and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

Teachers will provide regular feedback to students on a regular basis. Our priority for the first couple of days is to ensure all students connect with their form tutor, have their books/equipment at home and can access/ use Google classroom.

Early next week we will provide parents with additional information on the key areas of wellbeing and a parent's guide to supporting your child with online learning.

These are exceptionally challenging times for everyone and we hope that this arrangement is only for a short period of time. We look forward to welcoming our students back into their classrooms at Kylemore College in the very near future.

Thanking you for your continued support.
Stay safe & well.

Yours sincerely,

Deirdre Nolan

Principal.