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TO: Parent/Guardian of students attending St. Mary's Diocesan Secondary School, Drogheda

FROM: Health Protection Team, Department of Public Health, HSE North-East

RE: Confirmed Case of COVID19 attending St. Mary's Diocesan Secondary School, Drogheda

DATE: 23 April 2021

A confirmed case of COVID19 in your child's school has been notified to the Health Protection Team, Department of Public Health, HSE North-East.

A public health risk assessment has been undertaken and the parents of children deemed to be close contacts of the confirmed case have been contacted and advised accordingly. If your child has not been identified as a close contact at this time, your child:

- Does not need a test for COVID19, and
- May continue to attend school.

However, if your child develops any symptoms suggestive of COVID19 infection (such as a cough, a fever, loss or change in sense of taste or smell):

- Do not send your child to school;
- Telephone your GP/Out of Hours Service; and
- Restrict your child's movements, as per public health advice.

Restricted movement means avoiding contact with other people and social situations as much as possible. 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; and
- Keeps away from older people, anyone with an underlying medical condition and pregnant women.

If your child has developed symptoms, their siblings should also be kept home from school.

Further information on COVID19 is available at: www.hpsc.ie and www.gov.ie.