## Holy Family N.S. - Tubbercurry - Co. Sligo



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Dear parents/guardians,

Thank you for all your help over the last two years in dealing with COVID 19. We have been lucky in our school to date. This is a team effort. Thank you all for keeping your children at home if they have symptoms. Thanks to the BOM, staff and the pupils for keeping Covid rules in the school.

Unfortunately there is a lot of Covid in schools around the country. The HSE and the Department of Education are now making antigen tests available if there is a confirmed case of Covid 19 in a class. This is voluntary for families.

If your child has any symptoms of COVID-19 they should not attend school. Children who have tested positive for COVID-19 should also stay at home

## Information on Antigen Testing

- If your child has tested positive for Covid 19 you should contact the school office.
- Information about Covid 19 will be sent home to parents personal information won't be shared.
- Parents of children in the child's POD will be contacted to say there was a positive case in the group. Information of how to order antigen tests will be given.
- Parents call the freephone number to order the test. Parents do the test at home.
- Antigen tests should be carried out on the day they receive the kit, 2 days later and a third case 2 days after that.
- Child can attend school if they have no symptoms and they do not have a positive test result.
- <u>If your child has symptoms</u> they should isolate at home and you should book a PCR test for them. Do this even if the antigen test is negative.

This is a voluntary programme and is an additional measure to reduce number of cases in schools in Ireland.

Thank you again for your support.

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