

**Steps for parents / guardians to take to inform the school if their child has symptoms of COVID-19 or is being tested for COVID-19**

1. Please check the *HSE Symptoms of Colds and COVID -19* in our COVID 19 Info page on our website.

2. Ring your GP for advice.

3. **Ring / email** the school to tell us if your child is having a COVID-19 test.

We **will not nor cannot** tell anyone in your child's class.

We **cannot** send out a text alerting parents / guardians.

3. **If your child gets a test date please:** take a screen shot of the text or forward it to our HSCL Teacher, N. O Driscoll so that she can print it off.

**Why?** So that your child's sick days aren't building up to the 20 days when TUSLA and the EWO get involved. We can print off your appointment, file it with your child's documents and note it on the absence record.

4. **If your child is negative** you will get a text. If you're unsure what to do about sending your child back to school ask your doctor or check the HSE website.

5. **If your child is positive** you do not have to contact the school, as the HSE will take over and contact us. They will keep all your details private as will the school.

6. **All adults must wear a mask or face covering whilst on school grounds.**

This is to ensure that none of us are spreading the virus, as it is impossible to maintain social distancing on school grounds. If you don't have a mask on please don't be offended if we ask you to wait outside the school gates.

Many schools are not allowing parents/guardians on school grounds and we are trying to avoid this. Remind someone if you see them 'maskless'. *A. Plunkett*