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Parents / Guardians:

A sincere thank you for helping make the first three days back at school as hassle free as possible. Most of us are used to the new routines, rules and procedures. A very warm welcome to all our new pupils and new parents. We hope that you'll love our school as much as we all do 😊

***No adult or person allowed on the school grounds without wearing a mask or face covering**

If parents/guardians/carers do not follow this rule we will have to be like other schools and not allow anyone on the grounds unless they are staff. We don't want to do that.

***€65** for books, resources, Aistear equipment, and e-learning. Please go to the office to pay your child's bill.

***Suspected case of COVID -19:** if a child in our school is diagnosed with COVID-19 the HSE take charge and tell us what to do. Please don't worry or panic. We had a couple of incidents last year and they were dealt with very speedily and calmly.

***Sick tummy...Headache...Not feeling the best:** Unfortunately children cannot sit outside the office (they can't mix!), so if your child is feeling unwell we will have to ring you to come and collect them from school.

***Head injury:** if a child hurts their head during playtime or class time we will always ring to let you know. Sometimes it may not be serious. Because we're not medics we cannot make a medical judgement so that's why we let you know. You can then decide from talking to the member of staff whether you'll come to the school to collect your child or not.

*Please return: **Pink** / **Blue** Form as we need your most up-to-date information. We need at least 2 current mobile numbers.

*We have to keep each class together, **'a pod'**, so that the children don't mix in school. That's why we are having staggered breaks and also why the yard is divided up with cones. Please talk to your child and remind them to stay inside their cone area.

***Hot Lunch** Remember, there are no more sandwiches but instead a hot lunch every day. We are so lucky that our school is being funded for this. It costs thousands of €€€. If you didn't return the form to your child's teacher he/she will get the default hot lunch 'vegetable curry' until you sort with:

Audrey: 086 1075617 or email Audrey.hennessy@carambola.ie

All nutritional information on hot meals can be found on www.carambola.ie Visit our website and **Click on OUR SCHOOL → CARAMBOLA LUNCH for the menu.** Junior Infants will get their forms this week.

Sincerely, A. Plunkett, Principal