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Dear Parents/Carers

It has been brought to my attention that there have been comments on social media about the school's management of a pupil's return to school after returning from overseas. Please be reassured that the school has closely followed the guidance from the Public Health Executive and the Department for Education to ensure that we minimise any risk to our children and staff.

With regards to the specific circumstances referred to on social media the facts of the matter are:

- As soon as the school was made aware the child who attends the school had been to Italy, the family were
 contacted and were asked to keep the child at home and self-isolate for seven days; the child has had no
 symptoms of the Coronavirus during the seven day isolation period.
- The classroom and other areas in school were given a thorough clean with anti-bacterial cleaning products.

We appreciate that this is a time of high anxiety for many people and we are keen to support parents and families at this unprecedented time. At present there is a lot of speculation around how the virus is transmitted and so it is not appropriate to accuse individuals and their families for transmitting the virus. Therefore, we would like to ask you to refrain from making such comments regarding the whole school community on social media sites.

Please be reassured that we are doing our utmost to safeguard your children; the health and safety of all of our children is paramount.

We will be sending a further letter out later today informing you of any changes to planned events and school organisation.

Thank you for your continued support

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