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Re: Confirmed case of COVID-19 at Scoil Iosa, Ballina

A confirmed case of Covid-19 in your child's school has been notified to the Department of Public Health, HSE West.

A public health risk assessment has been undertaken and the parents of any children deemed to be close contacts of the confirmed case have been contacted and advised accordingly. Your child has **NOT** been identified as a close contact in the school setting and does **NOT** need a test for Covid-19, they can continue to attend school, and no further actions are required at this time.

If your child develops symptoms suggestive of Covid-19, such as a cough, a fever, loss or change in sense of taste or smell, they should be isolated immediately and you should phone your GP for further advice. Their siblings and all household contacts should then also be kept at home on restricted movements.

The HSE has a helpline for general queries related to Covid-19 at 1850241850. Further information on COVID-19 is available at:

- www.hpsc.ie
- <https://www2.hse.ie/coronavirus/>
- www.gov.ie

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Geraldine McDarby'.

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