Following the meeting of Board of Management on Tuesday 19th of January 2021, a plan and timetable to partially reopen our school on Thursday 21st was discussed and ratified.

Later that evening the Department of Education and Skills issued a statement stating that schools would not reopen on that date.

Such uncertainty is very difficult for all involved. Please be assured all pupils will be supported by staff in remote learning until the Department sets a roadmap toward reopening the schools.

In the meantime, the Board wish to acknowledge the commitment shown by staff in developing and implementing the plan for remote learning and supporting the children and their families during the current lockdown.

Efforts to secure the services of a lollipop person to improve road safety on Grattan Street are ongoing.

CETNS *Meitheal* is a voluntary group of parents helping with the school's upkeep and are currently looking for new members. Should anyone wish to join this group it would be much appreciated. Please follow the link:

https://chat.whatsapp.com/EwlXlUPdT6v5FZZx6UEG4g

Their next meeting will involve external maintenance and will take place on January 30th.

The Board seek to upgrade the school's lighting to the more cost effective and environmentally friendly option of LED.

Finally, well done to all involved in the CETNS Christmas Appeal. A very peculiar Christmas did not deter the charitable instinct of our school community. The impressive total reached of €2,045 will be distributed equally among Cork Penny Dinners, Edel House and St Vincent de Paul.

Regards,

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