Dear Parents,

Hope you are all keeping safe and well during these very strange, unpredictable times.

As we enter week 6 of school we are very glad to say that all the staff and children have adapted well to the new normal.

Can we just remind you that if your child develops any symptoms suggestive of Covid 19 (such as a cough, a fever, loss or change of sense of taste or smell) please do not send your child to school. Contact your G.P. and begin restricting your child's movements.

If your child is referred for a test all other members of the household that attend the school should remain at home. In the event of a positive diagnosis and of a positive case in our school we will follow H.S.E. Guidelines and will keep you informed of all advice and developments.

On a more positive note we would like to congratulate our First Holy Communion class of 2020 who had their special day on September 19<sup>th</sup>. It was a fabulous day and we would like to thank everybody involved in the preparation of the child for this occasion.

The children will be completing their templates very shortly for their Christmas Cards. We look forward to the finished products later on in the school term.

The children are also preparing their pictures for the Credit Union Art Competition. This year's theme is 'Imagine More'. I have no doubt that our pupils will be very imaginative in their work.

A big farewell and thank you to Mrs Eileen O'Connor who retired last Friday. She was a wonderful ambassador in our school having taught for 28 years in the school. She has touched the lives of many pupils. While we will dearly miss her, we wish her a long, happy and healthy retirement.

We welcome Aileen Lehane and Denis Moynihan to our school, both working as S.N.A.s. We hope they will be very happy here with us.

Maths week will be taking place from  $10^{th} - 18^{th}$  October. We hope to pursue lots of Mathematical games and activities with the children.

There are lots of positive activities going on in our school so we ask you to log on to our school website and see what is happening. The address is <a href="https://www.kanturkbns.com">www.kanturkbns.com</a>

Don't forget you can follow us on twitter@colmanbns

We are having difficulties receiving emails on our main school email address. If you wish to contact the school please ring the school and leave your message on the answering machine.

I conclude by thanking you all for your continued support and co-operation in our school. Keep safe and well.

Le gach dea ghuí,

Eilish Finnegan. Principal.