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First Holy Communion  
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Dear Parents and Guardians,

First Holy Communion will take place on Saturday, September 5<sup>th</sup>. Ms. Sheahan's Class will be at 10.15am and Ms. Neylon's Class at 11.45am.

It will be a very simple ceremony, focusing on the sacrament. Holding it now allows children to receive their 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion and for families to celebrate.

Children will receive the sacrament at the altar with their parents. There won't be any singing or children reading so there will be need to go up and down to the church to practice this week.

Each child is allowed to be accompanied by two adults. The Parents Association will have seats allocated to everybody and have stewards to bring families to their seats. Adults must wear face masks and each person must sanitise on entry. Children will sit with the two adults. The Parents Association will clean the church between ceremonies. The Communion Committee have organised a videographer. Fr. Tom has agreed with this plan and has confirmed this is in line with guidelines for religious ceremonies. We must adhere to increasing separation and decreasing interaction. We look forward to seeing you then.

Ms. Sheahan has kindly offered to sing for both ceremonies from the gallery and have an organist, Helen, accompany her.

Kind regards,

Ger and Mairéad