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Dear Parent/Guardian,

As you are all aware, we as a school community have been greatly affected by the recent tragedy in Creeslough. We are deeply saddened by these events and our thoughts are very much with those impacted.

Our critical incident team met in school today and we have structures in place to support our school community at this very difficult time. The critical incident team will meet again tomorrow and are communicating with external agencies and support services on an ongoing basis.

We have a plan in place for the coming days which we will review regularly. We plan to open the school on Monday morning as normal to provide structure and routine for our students. We have support in place from psychologists from the National Educational Psychological Service and Donegal ETB.

Young people frequently turn to social media to see what others are saying, or to find out more. At these times it is important that you monitor their use and engage with them about what they read. We urge you to emphasise and reinforce the need to be extremely sensitive and careful about what they post.

We also plan to open the school tomorrow, Sunday from 3pm - 4pm to share a cup of tea and a chat with students, parents and staff that wish to attend.

The HSE will also be in the Community Centre in Cresslough after Mass tomorrow to offer support from 12pm - 4pm.

Our thoughts are with our wider community and with each of you as we support each other in the days ahead.

Yours sincerely, Fiona Temple Fiona Temple