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Dear Parents and Carers,

As you are aware our school has temporarily moved to the use of bottled water while we investigate the cause of recent intermittent discolouration in our school's water supply.

I want to assure you that our school is safe. The health and safety of our school community is paramount, and we are working with the Department of Education and independent technical experts to appropriately manage the situation.

The results of the recent water quality testing indicate that the intermittent discolouration in our school's water supply is likely due to levels of iron being present. The replacement of the school existing pipes has been recommended and the Department of Education will undertake works shortly to remove and replace the existing pipe work. The presence of iron in the water is not known to impact health but does impact the aesthetic values of drinking water and as such we will continue to use the temporary water supplies until the works are complete.

Further to this, there has been a small number of metals which have been detected in the water prior to it being flushed through the system and these are expected to be addressed with the future planned works.

Please be assured that I am working closely with both the Department of Education and Department of Health on this matter and will provide you with updates on the progress of the works that are required.

The Department of Education will continue to supply bottled water for drinking until the works are completed.

I appreciate your cooperation and patience during this process.

If you have any questions or concerns, please get in touch with me via our school's front desk.

Regards,

Simone Roy Principal

