

REOPENING SCHOOL PLAN

1. ARRIVAL AND DISPERSAL PLAN

This below plan comes into effect from Monday the 31st of August. Information for Thursday and Friday is available on our website.

DROP OFF	COLLECTION TIMES	COLLECTION POINT
Junior Infants 4 pods at various times	Various times	School
Senior Infants: 9. -9.20 am	2pm	School
1st Class: 9am - 9:20am Go straight to classroom	2.45pm if one child to collect	School: Use Staff Car Park
	2.55pm if more than one child to collect	School: Use Staff Car Park
2nd Class: 9am - 9:20am Go straight to classroom	2.45pm if one child to collect	School: Use Staff Car Park
	2.55pm if more than one child to collect	School: Use Staff Car Park
3rd Class: 9am - 9:20am Go straight to classroom	2.45pm if one child to collect	School: Use the roundabout unless you have a child in 1st class
	2.55pm if more than one child to collect	School: Use the roundabout unless you have a child in 1st class
4th Class: 9am - 9:20am Go straight to classroom	2.45pm if one child to collect Parental consent required otherwise depart with later group	Church Car Park
	2.55pm if more than one child to collect	School: Use the roundabout unless you have a child in 2nd class
5th Class: 9am - 9:20am Go straight to classroom	2.45pm if one child to collect Parental consent required otherwise depart with later group	Church Car Park
	2.55pm if more than one child being collected or if the parents wish –	School: Use the roundabout unless you have a child in 1st class
6th Class: 9am - 9:20am Go straight to classroom	2.45pm if one child to collect Parental consent required otherwise depart with later group	Church Car Park
	2.55pm if more than one child to collect	School: Use the roundabout unless you have a child in 2nd class
Walkers: 9am - 9.20am Go straight to classroom	2.45pm Parental consent is required	Parents can meet walkers at side-gate or front gate

- **Pupils should not be sent in if they are sick.**
- **Pupils go straight to their external classroom door once they are dropped off.**
- **All classroom doors will be open from 9am.**
- **Parents should adhere to DROP & GO in the morning. Only infant parents with masks allowed on yard**

1. BOOKS & HOMEWORK

- Books and school items will be left in school and there will be no homework for the first few weeks.
- As we start back, there will be no transferring of items from home to school. The only exception to this is essential medical items.
- No sharing of belongings
- Pupils must bring their own supply of pencils (x2), rubber, topper (with collector), ruler, glue-stick, scissors, crayons or twist-ables in a pencil case to be left in school. Junior and Senior Infants will be supplied with scissors and glue-stick.
- Children can bring their own sanitiser if they wish.
- All children's items must be clearly labelled.

2. IN CLASS

- Children will sit in groups called "pods" if possible, with full class and staff treated as a separate "bubble".
- In as far as possible, classes are not permitted to mix with each other in school.
- Windows will be open for ventilation
- Children's masks are permissible (parents' option)
- Children should be as independent as possible. (Open lunch box/put on/off coat/get velcro shoes if unable to tie laces etc).
- Children will be taught handwashing technique and coughing sneezing etiquette.

3. SANITISING

- Sanitiser stations are at the entrance and exit of all rooms.
- Hot water has been installed in all the classrooms.
- Sanitising stations are situated at school entrance.

4. BREAKTIMES & LUNCHTIMES

- Classes are not permitted to mix at break-times and lunchtimes.
- Each class will have designated playing area.
- Children can play with all the children in their class.
- We will endeavour to go outside at break even when it is raining so a good coat/jacket is required.

5. GREETING & SOCIAL DISTANCING

- A smile, greeting (and if we feel like a handshake or a hug then we use an elbow) will be our suggested way of greeting for pupils.
- While we will all be delighted to see each other again, we will not permit gatherings or congregations anywhere in the school or in the yard.

6. LUNCHES

- School lunches will not be available initially on return. This will be subject to ongoing review.
- Children will eat their lunches at their desks, clean their area and bring home left-overs.

7. SCHOOL UNIFORM

- To reduce any risk, pupils should wear their school uniform in school only.
- Layers should be worn because classrooms will be ventilated.
- The school uniform should be taken off immediately once your child arrives home.

8. CLEANING

- All classrooms and pupils' toilets will be cleaned daily by staff
- We will ask everyone to develop the habit of cleaning their own work area using wipes at the end of the day.

9. CURRICULUM

- We will be focussing on getting everyone back to school in a settled way with focus on Social, Personal and Health Education, Physical Education, Language and Maths.
- PE will be outdoor focussed three to five days a week.
- Personal hygiene and wellbeing will be given particular attention

10. WELLBEING OF THE SCHOOL COMMUNITY

We will work on the recommended five principles to support the wellbeing of all our pupils and staff. These are promoting:

- A sense of safety
- A sense of calm
- A sense of belonging and connectedness to school
- A sense of self-efficacy and school-community efficacy
- A sense of hope

11. TO PROTECT EVERYONE

- Anyone who is unwell must remain at home.
- All pupils must have a contact number of a person who will collect them promptly from school if they feel unwell.
- Anyone returning from countries not on the Government's Green List must self-isolate for 14 days before returning to school.
- Staff may wear visors or masks.

12. SCHOOL PAYMENTS

- An online payment system operates in the school.

13. DESIGNATED ISOLATION ROOM

- Parents/guardians must keep children at home if they display any Covid-19 Symptoms.
- If a pupil displays symptoms, the pupil will be accompanied to the isolation area using external doors.
- Parents/guardians will be contacted immediately.
- A face covering will be provided to a child who is symptomatic.
- Arrangements will be made for them to be transported home by a family member, as soon as possible.
- Anyone who is symptomatic is now advised to inform their doctor (by phone) of their symptoms. The doctor will advise if further action is required.
- Parents should email/phone the school before the pupil returns to school.
- In the event of a diagnosed case, the HSE will inform any staff/parents who have come into close contact via the contact tracing process.
- The instructions of the HSE should be followed and confidentiality is essential at all times.