



Reopening Information for Parents

In the absence of clear guidance from the Department of Education, it is hoped this information will assist you in preparing for a return to school in August. The possibility of children attending on a part time basis with blended learning cannot be ruled out. As the situation is constantly evolving, further updates will be issued when they become available.

Key Points

- School will open on the week beginning Monday 24th August on a **phased basis** for P2 – P7. Children are divided into three intakes according to surname: A to K (e.g. Andrews to Kennedy), L, M, Mc (e.g. Lynch, Murtagh, McSwiggan) and N to Z (e.g. Noble to Zimmermann).
- We are planning to bring in all P2-P7 children on Thursday 27th and Friday 28th August, however there remains a chance that COVID restrictions may prohibit this.
- From Tuesday 1st September it is hoped that all children will return on a full time basis.
- *In these initial days at school the emphasis will be on welcoming the children back to school after an absence of over 5 months, establishing new routines, involving the children in creating and maintaining a safe environment – regular hand washing or sanitising, acceptable social distance within and around the school, maintaining safe interaction*
- During Covid access to the school will be restricted. You should only visit the school if it is necessary and only after making an appointment
- **It is essential that you provide the school with up to date contact details.**

Phased Return Week (P2-P7)	Children Attending
Monday 24 th August	Surname A to K only
Tuesday 25 th August	Surname L, M and Mc only
Wednesday 26 th August	Surname N to Z only
Thursday 27 th August	We are hoping to bring in ALL P2 – P7 children but are awaiting further guidance.
Friday 28 th August	
Monday 31 st August	Bank Holiday - School closed
Tuesday 1 st September	All classes return

Primary 1 Information	
Tuesday 1 st Sept	P1's with siblings until 12 noon
Wednesday 2 nd Sept	P1's without siblings until 12 noon
Thurs 3 rd & Fri 4 th Sept	All P1 children until 12 noon
Monday 7 th Sept	All P1's until 12.45pm after lunch
Monday 14 th Sept	All P1 children stay until 2pm

Staggered Morning Drop Off Times	
8.45am	P6/7 & younger Siblings
9.00am	P4/5 & younger siblings
9.10am	P1/2/3 & younger siblings
Afternoon Collection Times	
1.50pm	P1 & older P2/3 siblings
2.00pm	P2/3 children
2.45pm	P4/5 & older siblings
3.00pm	P6/7 children

We are awaiting details from the EA regarding bus arrival and departure times. We will inform you as soon as we get this information.

Morning, Bus & Afternoon Clubs: These are suspended until we get clarification from DE. We plan to reopen them as soon as possible.

Preventing the Spread of Covid19

You have a responsibility NOT to send your child to school if they have any signs of illness (high temperature, persistent cough, loss of taste or smell). Children may have their temperature taken during the school day. If a child's temperature is high or they are displaying symptoms you will be asked to take your child home.

School Uniform

Children should wear a fresh uniform each day, this can alternate between their formal uniform and PE uniform.
Alternatively, children may wear a fresh formal uniform each day.

P1 to P3: Mon, Wed & Fri: PE uniform
Tues & Thurs: Formal uniform

P4 to P7: Mon, Wed & Fri: Formal uniform
Tues & Thurs: PE uniform

PE Uniform for P1 to P7: white polo shirt, grey tracksuit bottoms & maroon sweatshirt. There is NO need for a school crest on PE items. Your child's name should be included.

Other Information

- Snack & School meals are available as usual
- Lunch: Healthy lunch should be brought to school in a plastic lunch box that must be cleaned each night.
- Water: Reusable water bottle with child's name displayed & sterilised each night
- NO pencil cases or stationery should be brought to school. These items will be provided. A suitable bag (washable or disposable) is required for carrying lunch boxes, money, water bottles & hand sanitiser.