# Restart Update 2021



School Starts for all pupils on Tuesday

31st August 2021.

P1/2: 9:15-2pm

P3-7: 9:15-3:15pm.



Dear Parents and Pupils,

As we look forward to a new school year, it is a time of great excitement, with lots of hopes and wishes for a great year ahead for all of our pupils, staff and families.

We look forward to welcoming our new children into Primary 1 and to seeing all the rest of our boys and girls back at school again.

While we are thankful that some Covid related guidelines have been relaxed, it is important that we continue to make extra effort to minimise the risk of transmission throughout the school and our community.

Following updated guidance from the Department of Education, I can give you some general information about the year ahead.

If you have any further enquiries or specific questions please phone the School Office or email me sgormley238@c2kni.net.

A more detailed newsletter will be issued soon after school starts.

Much thanks and appreciation as always for your support and cooperation.

Sínéad Gormley

Principal

## **Health and Hygiene**

It is essential that children are reminded of the importance of good hygiene. Please ensure that they know how to wash their hands properly for

into their elbow if they do not have a tissue. We will be going over these routines in school too, but it will be more effective if the children



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P1/2		Mrs Gormley
P3/4		Mr Lynch
P5/6/	7	Miss Mc Nulty



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Full school uniform is to be worn as normal, including a clearly la-

belled, warm, waterproof coat as there will be lots of outdoor learning. P.E. uniform will be worn to school on P.E. days and these will be confirmed with each class at the beginning of the new term. Policy on P.E. uniform: children can wear any sports gear. We would ask that all children in P1 bring a change of clothes which will be kept in the classroom-Little accidents can happen throughout the day.

## **Traffic Calming**

Keep our children safe at school by slowing down to



#### What to bring

Children are now permitted to bring their own school bag and pencil case to school. Lunch bags and water bottles are permitted too. Send a piece of fruit to eat at break time.



### Masks

Pupils and staff will have the option of wearing face masks and or shields to school. Adult visitors to the school (by prior appointment only) should wear a mask/face covering, unless exempt.



### Meals

Dinner costs £2.70 per day or £13.50 per week. School meal service will commence on Wednesday 1st September. All payments for clubs, music, trips, meals etc are paid through the School Money app. We are a cashless school.

More details on how to get set up on School

gates as usual. They will then be directed to their classrooms. The same system applies for home time.

### **Visitors**

Parents are discouraged from congregating at the school gate at drop off/collection times.

Parents should not enter the school building and communication should be made through the main office.

### **Online Learning Platforms**

Our school have a plan in place to ensure learning will not be adversely impacted in the event of your child having to isolate. Seesaw and Google classroom will be established in the first few weeks-these may be used for homeworks and for any other future instances of remote learning. Please assist your child with setting up and logging on from home. If your child is experiencing difficulty please get in touch with school by ringing the office.

## **Contingency Planning**

Children (and staff) who have any symptoms associated with Covid 19 **must not attend school**. Children who live with someone who has symptoms associated with Covid 19 must also stay at home until they receive a negative test result.. These symptoms include a new, continuous cough or a high temperature/fever or anosmia (a loss or a change in your normal sense of smell, which can also affect your sense of taste).

If a child (or a member of staff) becomes unwell in school, they and any members of their household will use our temporary waiting room, our school office, until someone arrives to bring them home. Parents will be advised to follow the PHA guidance for households with possible coronavirus infection.

## Five ways to get your child's sleep on track before school

- 1. Help them build an evening routine that gradually relaxes them before bed.
  - 2. Try to make their **bedroom** a quiet and calm place to rest, with few distractions.
- 3. **Don't rush!** Help them adjust their sleep schedules steadily.



- 4. Keep consistent even on weekends!
  - 5. Talk to them about any worries they might have.

### **Temperature**

We ask you to check your children's temperature every morning before coming to school-Thank you!





School begins: 9:15am
Break time: 10:45am
Lunch time: 12:15-1:15pm
Home time: P1/2: 2pm.

Hometime: P3-7: 3:15nm

## 2 O Clock Club

This is a service to support P1/2 parents. Children can stay until 3:15pm-£2 per day.



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