



# Scoil an Linbh Íosa

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

I do hope that you had a lovely summer and had a chance to relax and enjoy some time together with family and friends.

We in the school have been preparing for the new school year and are looking forward to welcoming all the children back on Tuesday, August 31<sup>st</sup>.

As Covid 19 continues to affect society we will be adhering to all Public Health Guidelines and Department of Education directives. There is little change in these since last year. But all decisions are subject to modification as the local and/or national health situation develops.

## Super Pods

The school will be divided into Super Pods again this year, but in a different configuration. Please see the chart below. The classes are assigned an entry time, gate and door, depending on their Super Pod. It is vital that there is no congregating outside the school, so we ask that the children come to school for their stated time (not too early) and wait in an orderly line along the school walls – \*Ms Swords and Ms Rogers class will wait in front of the 6<sup>th</sup> class rooms.

Super Pod	Time	Gate A:Door 1	Gate B:Door 2		Gate C:Door/Entry
Yellow	9.00 am to 1.40pm or 2.40pm	Ms Comerford Ms Mahoney	<b>Left</b> Ms Keogh Mr Geaney	<b>Right</b> Ms Gaire Ms Shanley Ms Dunne	
Green	9.05am to 2.45pm		<b>Left</b> Ms Cox Ms O'Connor	<b>Right</b> Ms Kelly	Ms Barrett Door 3 Ms McIntyre Door 3 Ms Mynes Entry 4 Ms Whittaker Entry 4
Blue	9.10am to 2.50pm		Ms Swords * Mr O'Sullivan Ms Wadding		Ms Fletcher <b>Entry 4</b> Ms Lowe <b>Entry 4</b> Ms Rogers* <b>Door 3</b> ALC <b>Entry 4 - Door 5 or 6</b>

In summary:

- Junior and Senior Infants and First Class are due in at 9am
- Second, Third and Fourth Class at 9.05
- Fifth and Sixth at 9.10

If a child is late for school (ie after 9.15am) they should enter through the main door of the school.

At home time, the teachers will accompany the children to the same gate they entered through in the morning, where they can be collected.

**Infant teachers** will walk the children to an area near their assigned door and will send children out to parents, one by one.

Parents and guardians are asked not to accompany the children onto the school grounds. If you need 'to do business' with the school you should wait at the outside window of the Administration office and Edel or Tara will be happy to help you.

Please keep your child at home if they are sick.

### **Uniform**

The children are expected to wear their school uniform as usual ie Infants wear a track suit each day; children in 1<sup>st</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> class wear a track suit on PE days and their uniform on other days. We suggest that the children take their uniform off on reaching home and change into their own clothing for the rest of the evening.

### **Extra curricular activities**

All before and after school activities are suspended for the present. This situation will be reviewed as the situation develops.

### **Swimming**

There will be no swimming for the present.

### **Insurance**

We advise families to take out the personal insurance for each child. You can talk to Edel or Tara about payment.

### **Cleaning**

The school was deep cleaned during the summer and our enhanced cleaning regime will continue this term.

Given the current situation our overriding objective is to protect the health of children and staff while promoting the educational and development needs of our students. We seek to achieve a balance between the need for a practical and sensible level of caution with the need to provide a supportive environment for teaching and learning. We hope to achieve this with your cooperation, through a shared collaborative approach. Together we will minimise the spread of infection while providing the children with an enjoyable and positive school experience.

Best wishes to one and all for the new school year.

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Geraldine Hetherton  
Principal