

TOREAGH PRIMARY SCHOOL



Yipee, we are all back to school next week, now we have a decision on the return to school for P4-P7. We are all looking forward to seeing the children next week. I am sure you are looking forward to no more home learning!

As a staff we have decided that we will be in school next Friday 25th March. All children should attend as normal. We will however be taking this day at a later date. An updated holiday/closure list will be issued after Easter.

We very much appreciate your continued support as we work together to ensure that we get the children back into school and more importantly that we keep them in school.

You can help by:

- Following the one-way system in the playground.
- Dropping off and collecting your child promptly without waiting around in the playground or at the gate.
- Only 1 adult should leave off and pick up each child.
- Wearing a mask whenever you enter the school grounds and at the school gate.
- Maintaining 2m social distancing at all times and particularly in the playground.
- Being on time.
- Having someone available to collect your child at short notice throughout the day.

DENI have asked us to put in place strict rules at dropping off and pick up times. All children should be picked up in the playground. If you wait outside the playground, then those children will be sent out last. We would also ask that if you are waiting in your car, that you stay inside until you see your child.

We work very hard in school to maintain our class bubbles in the hope that transmission is limited. Again, you can help by:

- not sending your child to school if they are sick or if any of your household are showing signs of Covid.
- getting your child tested immediately if they show any signs of Covid-19.
- following Public Health advice.

The activities of children outside school certainly aren't within my remit. As always, I only want the children, their families, the staff and their families to remain safe at all times.

The following still applies:

If your child gets a covid test –

- If the test is **negative**, your child must stay at home for 48 hours from the date of the test and should only return to school if they do not have a temperature. This also means siblings must stay off too. Please let Miss Morrow know.
- If the test is **positive**, your child/children should isolate for 10 days and the rest of the household should follow PHA guidance. You need to let Miss Morrow know as soon as you can, either by telephone or email, lmorrow225@c2kni.net I regularly check my emails over the weekend. If there is a positive case in a class bubble, the bubble will have to self-isolate for 10 days. Other parts of the school may also have to be isolated for 72 hours before cleaning may commence – this may have knock on effects for other classes.
- Where a child displays **gastrointestinal symptoms**, such as vomiting or diarrhoea, they should not attend school until they have not been sick or had diarrhoea for at least 2 days.

Phased Return to School

IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT WE ARE INFORMED IMMEDIATELY OF ANY CORONAVIRUS SYMPTOMS YOUR CHILD OR ANY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY MAY HAVE.

Drop off and pick up times PLEASE BE ON TIME

Drop off and pick up times will continue to be staggered in accordance with advice. Once again it is vital that you abide by social distancing regulations when leaving your children at the gate and collecting them. Please move on as soon as possible.

	Drop off	Pick Up
P1	9.00am	1.45pm
P2	8.50am	1.45pm
P3	8.50am	2.00pm
P4	8.40am	2.00pm
P5/6	8.40am	2.10pm
P7	9.00am	2.20pm

PLEASE ENSURE THAT WHOEVER IS DROPPING OFF AND PICKING UP YOUR CHILD IS AWARE OF THE ROUTINES THAT ARE NOW IN PLACE. This is very important as it avoids awkward situations.



We are looking forward to seeing everyone on Monday.

C L Morrow
Principal

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