

TOREAGH PRIMARY SCHOOL

Child Protection/Safeguarding Team

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It is great to have the children back in school. For those who are off, we hope you keep well. From listening to the children, Santa was really good to them.

I am still awaiting specific advice and guidance for schools from DENI, with regard to all the new Covid rules and regulations. Please bear with me and I will have the new information out to you as soon as possible.

It is vital that you let me know as soon as possible if your child tests positive for Covid-19 (lmorrow225@c2kni.net). I will continue to let you know of any positive cases within school.

According to the Chief Medical Officer Professor Young, “the rate of household transmission is very high with Omicron”. We also know how quickly Covid can spread in a school setting. If a member of your household tests positive (lateral flow or PCR), I would ask that you keep your child off school. Work will be placed on the Home Learning Section of the website. We are again working on your goodwill to help keep us as safe as possible.

P1 Intake 2022

Monday 10th January - Primary One application procedure opens with the online portal available from 12 noon. In addition to verifying documents to support your application, your child’s birth certificate must also be provided.

Monday 28th January – online Portal will close at 12 noon.

Friday 4th February by 12 noon – this is the deadline for all supporting documents to be submitted to support your application.

The Application Portal and further information can be accessed on www.eani.org

Cold Weather / Ventilation

I often feel that Toreagh is situated in the coldest part of Mid and East Antrim. When there is no snow or ice in other places, we have it!

Tuesday was cold in school as we had been off. I have increased the number of hours that the heating is on throughout the day. Some classes have temperature gauges to help us keep a note of the temperature around the school.

If you wish, girls can wear thermal leggings/leggings (grey, black, navy) under their school skirt or alternatively, they can wear grey school trousers widely available at a range of shops:-

Asda £6.00

Matalan £5.00

Marks & Spencer £7.00
Next £8.00
Amazon £9.00

These should be easy to get and all look similar in style. I am envisaging this to be in place January – March.

Milk

We are hoping to restart offering milk at lunchtime to those children who do not receive a free school meal. The milk comes in small cartons with an individual straw.

Should you wish your child to avail of this, please email Mrs Wilson swilson869@c2kni.net by Friday 14th January 2022. Please only order milk if you know your child will drink it.

We will let you know when this will commence.

Defibrillator

You raised a fantastic £1199.00. Thank you. I have ordered a top of the range AED and accessories. A member of our school community was able to get us these at a significantly reduced price.

Pencilcases

Some of the pencilcases need restocked. Many have run out of bits and pieces, especially Pritt stick. We would really appreciate some more anti bac wipes too please.

C L Morrow
Principal

7th January 2022