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Dear Parents,

10th March 2021

We hope this finds you and yours well.

On Monday 8th March 2021 we got confirmation from the department that all primary school pupils will be returning to school from Monday 15th March 2021. We are therefore looking forward to welcoming back to school our third to sixth class pupils on Monday.

When back in school we can assure you that we will continue to work hard to keep our school building a Covid free environment and that the children will follow Covid 19 protocols rigorously. We ask parents to continue to follow all the Covid 19 protocols as already identified in our Covid 19 Response Plan. In particular, we require that parents adhere to public health guidelines and **avoid congregating** at the school at assembly and dismissal times. **Masks must be worn** when interacting with others and when collecting children and dropping off or picking up books. As per the Covid regulations, communication with the school staff will only be by email or by appointment on the phone.

We advise parents that pupils should not return to or attend school in the event of the following:

- If they are identified by the HSE as a close contact of a confirmed case of COVID-19
- If they live with someone who has symptoms of the virus
- If they have travelled outside of Ireland.

Before starting back to school, each child must have a **HSE 'Return to Education Form'**, completed by their parents and submitted to the school. A copy of this form is attached with this letter. Parents must complete the form and email it to the school before Monday 15th March 2021.

- The school will start at 9.00am as usual, with children entering in single file (2m apart, Covid-style) through the side gate from 8:50am.
- School will end at 1:40pm for junior and senior infants, with collection at side gate from the car park.
- School will end at 2:35 to 2:40 for the rest of the school, with collection at the side gate from the car park.
- The children will need their pull ups, raincoats, outdoor shoes/wellies as they will be out for all breaks
- Warm clothes are recommended, as ventilation in the classrooms will mean windows and doors open to circulate fresh air.

Boxes of books for 3rd to 6th Classes can be returned to the school on Friday 12th March at the following times.

- ✓ **1:50pm - Ms. Dunne's class** returns to Junior end door, exit through yard door.
Boxes can be left lined up in the corridor outside the classroom.
- ✓ **2:20pm - Ms Flood/Mrs Durnin's Class** returns to the Front door, exit through fire escape door.
Boxes can be left lined up in the corridor outside the classroom.

We plan to make next week a happy week of celebration for the whole school as we bring the senior pupils back to learning at school. Our planned 'St. Patrick's Festival Week' will have lots of physical activity and fun to help the children settle back in to school routines.

Thank you for your continued support and cooperation and looking forward to a successful and happy return to school for all,

Sincerely yours,
Eileen O Reilly
Principal.



St. Patrick's Festival Week 15th to 19th March 2021



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Skipathon Hoopathon Soccer Championship	Wearing the Green Athletics	St. Patrick's Day No School	GAA Day	Fun Day Dancing Singing Class Party

- ❖ Fun week of physical Activity and Fun!
- ❖ Wear your PE uniform for the week.
- ❖ Tuesday is "Green Day", wear green to celebrate St. Patrick's Day.
- ❖ Have your pull-ups, raincoats and outdoor shoes with you for the week.

