



Tá súil againn go bhfuil gach duine go maith agus ag baint taitneamh as an samhradh go fóill. Seo an dara litir againn chuig tuismitheoirí / caomhnóirí chun roinnt faisnéise a thabhairt maidir le tosú ar ais ar scoil. Cuireadh litir na seachtaine seo caite ar an suíomh gréasáin.

Tá súil againn ansin gur féidir leat a bheith linn chun ár socruithe uile aathmhíniú ag seimineár gréasáin ar 20 Lúnasa, 7:30.

[Díreach cliceáil anseo chun clárú.](#)

Seo a leanas ábhair na seachtaine seo:

- Ag dul abhaile
- Pleananna ár gCuraclam do théarma 1
- Glanadh sa scoil
- Gnáthaimh níocháin láimhe
- Eolas faoi Éide Scoile
- Leabhair ar Cíos
- Eolas ar Airgid
- An Chéad Fhaoistin 17ú Meán Fómhair / Comaoineach 17ú Deireadh Fómhair
- Tacaíocht foghlama

Ag Dul Baile

Cuir in iúl dúinn le bhur dtoil

- Má ligfear do pháiste dul abhaile leis féin (siúl / rothaíocht srl) i rith na scoilbhliana
- Má bhailíonn grúpa iarscoile .i. Sakura, woderworksdo pháiste
- Má théann do pháiste abhaile ar an mbus.

Cuideoidh sé seo linn a n-imeacht ón scoil a eagrú go sábháilte.

Seo na hamanna tuislithe chun do pháiste a bhailiú tar éis na scoile:

NB / NM 1:25 (12:30 don chéad seachtain).

R1: 2:15

R3: 2:20

R2, R6: 2:25 (toisc go roinneann R1 agus R2 rampa déanfaimid iad seo a dheighilt ag fágáil na seomraí ranga)

R4 / 5 Avon: 2:15 agus 2:30- caithfimid a bheith solúbtha anseo mar d'fhéadfadh go mbeadh dhá phointe bailithe ag tuismitheoirí. Fanfaimid le leanaí go dtí go mbaileofar iad. Agus muid ag bailiú leanaí ó Avon, iarrfaimid ar thuismitheoirí téacs a chur ar uimhir theileafóin chun ainm an linbh atá le ligean thíos staighre a rá. Tabharfar an leanbh thíos staighre agus tabharfar chuig an lána in aice leis an gcaifé é, áit ar féidir leat iad a bhailiú.

Mar a tharlaíonn le teacht na scoile, beimid ag stánadh uaireanta abhaile chun an plodú ar dhaoine a bhíonn ag bailiú ag geata na scoile a laghdú.

Nuair a thagann tú chun na scoile feicfidh tú spotaí ar an talamh taobh amuigh de na geataí agus i limistéar an chlóis (Parent's Zone). Seas ar na spotaí seo le do thoil. Cinnteoidh sé seo go bhfuil tú 2m ar shiúl ó dhaoine eile agus de réir mar a ligfimid Pod ar Pod amach ó na seomraí ranga - rachaidh an leanbh díreach chugat agus ansin scoirfidh tú - ag fágáil 2m idir tú féin agus daoine eile. Ní bheidh deis ann fanacht agus comhrá. Más gá duit labhairt leis an múinteoir is féidir é seo a shocrú trí choinne nó ríomhphost a sheoladh chuig múinteoirí.

Má tá leanbh amháin bailithe agat agus go gcaithfidh tú fanacht le siblín eile, fan ar láthair na dTuismitheoirí.

Is féidir le leanaí atá ag rothaíocht / ag siúl abhaile imeacht láithreach ach caithfimid a fháil amach go bhfuil cead acu dul leo féin.

Fanfaidh leanaí nach bhfuil a dtuismitheoirí / bailitheoirí i láthair ag am an bhailiúcháin faoi mhaoirseacht ag bun a rampa go dtí go dtiocfaidh tuismitheoirí / bailitheoirí.

Bus - do leanaí atá ag taisteal abhaile ar an mbus - is Pod taistil abhaile iad na leanaí seo i ndáiríre agus ligfear amach iad agus seolfar chuig an bus iad ag 2:25.

Do pháistí san Avon, iarrfaimid ar an tiomanaí bus iad a bhailiú ón Óstán ag 2:15.

Ba chóir dóibh suí ar an mbus mar a aontaíodh (i.e. le siblíní / laistigh de bhoilgeoga ranga)

Grúpaí tar éis scoile- Do leanaí atá á mbailiú ag Sakura / Wonderworks / Creche: sannfar áiteanna do na grúpaí seo le bailiú go sábháilte sula n-imeoidh siad.

Pleananna Curaclaim do Théarma 1

Thug an NCCA treoir dúinn anseo.

Caithfimid go leor ama ag tús na bliana ag athbhreithniú agus ag fáil amach cá bhfuil na páistí i dtéarmaí a gcuid foghlama.

Is í an chomhairle dúinn gur fearr dul mall ag an tús.

Úsáidfidh múinteoirí curaclam na bliana roimhe sin do Mheán Fómhair agus díreoidh siad ar roinnt príomhábhair sula nglacfar cur chuige níos gnáthúil i leith an Churaclaim.

Is iad na príomhábhair a bheidh ann: Teangacha (Gaeilge den chuid is mó dúinn), Matamaitic, Oideachas Sláinte Pearsanta Sóisialta (folláine), agus Corpoideachas.

Teangacha:

Tar éis tréimhse chomh fada sin gan tumoideachas Gaeilge, beidh mí amháin de thumoideachas Gaeilge againn sa scoil.

Déanfaimid athbhreithniú air seo tar éis coicíse.

Mata - táimid ag súil go gcaithfimid dul siar a dhéanamh ar an Matamaitic ón gcuraclam roimhe seo chun a chinntiú go ndearnadh greim ar choincheapa sula dtéann muid ar aghaidh.

OSPS- beidh go leor gníomhaíochtaí de chineál Folláine, scéalta sóisialta, eispéiris faoin ngéar héim, labhairt faoi athléimneacht, úsáid teanga athléimneach agus cuir chuige aisíoch, am ciorcail i gceist leis seo. Áireofar leis freisin gnáthaimh agus noirm scoile a athbhunú agus a chinntiú go mbraitheann leanaí sábháilte ar scoil.

Corpoideachas- Beidh dhá cheacht corpoideachais lasmuigh againn in aghaidh na seachtaine do théarma 1, lena n-áirítear ár ngairdín agus ár bpáirc béal dorais a úsáid. D'fhéadfadh go mbeadh buataisí / reathaithe breise ag teastáil ó leanaí. Seolfaimid Komeer faoi seo más ghá.

Glanadh sa scoil

Beidh córas nua Glantacháin ag ár scoil, cosúil le gach scoil, agus tá infheistíocht déanta ag an scoil i dtrealamh glantacháin nua chun freastal ar ár riachtanais ghlantacháin. Tá an córas nua i gceist:

Oiliúint do ghlantóirí ar ghlanadh agus díghalrú

Oiliúint do mhúinteoirí ar ghlanadh agus díghalrú (GRMA dona múinteoirí a mbeidh dualgais ghlantacháin bhreise orthu)

Uaireanta breise don Ghlantóir i rith na seachtaine (lena n-áirítear in óstán Avon)

Déanfar glandh doimhin ag an deireadh seachtaine.

Beidh gá fós le roinnt trealamh seomra ranga a roinnt ie. trealamh a úsáidtear le haghaidh gníomhaíochtaí struchtúrtha agus súgartha i seomraí ranga Naíonán. Glanfar an trealamh roinnte sin le wipes nó táirgí glantacháin eile go tráthrialta chun an riosca go scaipfidh an t-ionfhabhtú a íoslaghdú.

Gnáthaimh níocháin láimhe:

Beimid ag míniú do leanaí cén fáth a bhfuil sláinteachas láimhe tábhachtach chomh maith le cathain agus conas a lámha a ní.

Cuirfidimid sláinteachas maith chun cinn agus cuirfidimid póstaer ar taispeánt ar fud na scoileanna ar conas do lámha a ní.

Is féidir sláinteachas láimhe a bhaint amach trí níocháin láimhe nó trí shláintitheoir láimhe a úsáid (nuair a bhíonn na lámha glan).

Nighfidh leanaí a lámha le gallúnacha éadrom Pod ar Pod.

Déantar teocht an uisce a choigeartú chun uisce te a thabhairt do leanaí chun lámha a ní.

Is gá rochtain a fháil ar áiseanna níocháin láimhe tar éis gníomhaíochtaí ar dóigh dóibh lámha a ithreach, mar shampla imirt lasmuigh nó gníomhaíochtaí spóirt áirithe mar nach n-oibríonn sláintitheoir láimhe ar lámha salach.

Táimid ag iarraidh doirteal lasmuigh a chur isteach ionas gur féidir le páistí lasmuigh sa ghairdín a lámha a ní sula bhfillfidh siad ar ais isteach sa seomra ranga.

Úsáidfeadh dáileoirí sláintíochta láimhe ag pointí imeachta agus iontrála scoileanna agus gach seomra agus glacfar cúram chun doirteadh sláintíochta láimhe a ghlanadh chun rioscaí titim a chosc.

Tá sláintitheoir láimhe oiriúnach le húsáid le haghaidh sláinteachas láimhe nuair nach bhfuil na lámha salach le feiceáil (féach glan).

De réir threoirínte DES ní bheidh úsáid neamhspleách ag leanaí ar choimeádáin glóthacha alcóil.

Minicíocht Sláinteachais Láimhe

Déanfaidh daltaí agus baill foirne sláinteachas láimhe:

- Ar theacht ar scoil dó
- Roimh ithe nó ól
- Tar éis an leithreas a úsáid;
- Tar éis imirt amuigh faoin aer;
- Nuair a bhíonn a lámha salach go fisiciúil

- Nuair a bhíonn siad ag casacht nó ag sraothartach.

Féadfaidh leanaí a dtuáille féin a thabhairt ar scoil.

Éide Scoile

Cé nach dtagraíonn treoirínte an ROS dó seo, tuigimid go mbeidh roinnt tuismitheoirí ag iarraidh éide scoile (go háirithe geansaithe) a ní níos rialta.

Mar sin féadfaidh páistí a n-éide a chaitheamh Dé Luain, Dé Céadaoin agus a gculaith spóirt Dé Máirt agus Déardaoin.

Is iad Dé Máirt agus Déardaoin ár laethanta Corpoideachais le toil na haimsire Rang 1-6.

Dé hAoine - tá an rogha ag tuismitheoirí / leanaí éide nó culaith spóirt a chaitheamh (D'fhéadfadh sé seo roinnt níocháin breise a shaoradh thar an deireadh seachtaine).

Tá súil againn go gcabhraíonn an cur chuige seo.

Leabhair ar cíós

Iarraimid ar gach leanbh a gcuid leabhar cíosa a thabhairt ar ais ar an gcéad lá den téarma i mála. Seo iad na leabhair a bhfuil ponc dearg ar a gclúdach agus a seoladh abhaile le linn théarma 3 anuraidh. Déan na leabhair go léir a ghlanadh le hur dtail agus cuir sa mhála iad.

GRMAgaibh

Teastaíonn na leabhair seo go léir ar ais ar lá 1 chun iad a chur ar aghaidh chuig an rang roimhe seo. GRMA

Eolas ar airgead

Tá riail nua againn maidir le hairgead a láimhseáil - as seo amach beidh muid inár scoil gan airgead tirim.

Is féidir gach íocaíocht ar scoil a dhéanamh trí EPP.

An Chéad Fhaoistin (17 Meán Fómhair) / Comaoineach (17ú Deireadh Fómhair)

Is fada an lá a chaith ár dteaghlaigh agus ár dteaghlaigh leis na hócáidí speisialta seo.

Tá áthas orainn go bhfuil an tAth. Pádrig ar fáil chun na searmanais don dá Shacraimint i Seipéal Mhuire a reachtáil.

Beidh freastal ar na searmanais seo ag brath ar rialacha maidir le tinreamh na hEaglaise.

Faoi láthair tá sé ag 50, ach d'fhéadfadh sé méadú go 100 faoi dhátaí an Chomaoineach.

Tacaíocht Foghlama

Ag teacht lenár bPolasaí um Oideachas Speisialta, cuirfear tacaíocht foghlama ar fáil trí chur chuige cumaiscthe tacaíochta agus aistarraingthe in-ranga. Eagrófar soláthar tacaíochta chun a chinntiú go n-oibreoidh ár múinteoirí tacaíochta laistigh de theoranta mboilgeog. Sa chás go bhfuil múinteoir tacaíochta ag obair i dteannta múinteoir ranga i seomra ranga, caithfidh an dá mhúinteoir a bheith aireach ar fhad sóisialta a choinneáil óna chéile.

Sa chás go bhfaigheann leanaí tacaíocht i gceann de na seomraí SET, coimeádfar fad sóisialta 1 mhéadar idir gach leanbh sa ghrúpa. (agus 2m nuair is féidir).

Beidh na táblaí agus na cathaoireacha i seomraí SET glanta idir grúpaí éagsúla a fhreastalaíonn.

Rinneamar an halla a athchumrú chun freastal ar réimsí tacaíochta breise agus tá súil againn é seo a thaispeáint duit oíche an webinar.

Tá roinnt múinteoirí tacaíochta foghlama breise ceaptha ag an mBord chun freastal ar riachtanais leanaí an bhliain speisialta seo.

Tógfaimid ár gcuid ama nuair a thiocfaidh muid ar ais chun a fháil amach cá bhfuil na páistí ina gcuid foghlama- Táimid ag ceapadh go mbeidh leanaí tuirseach, tar éis dóibh a bheith as gnáthamh na scoile chomh fada. Táimid ag súil go mbeidh go leor oibre athbhreithnithe de dhíth sa Mhata. Táimid ag súil freisin go mbeidh sé deacair ar leanaí sleachta scríbhneoireachta a scríobh mar d'fhéadfadh go mbeadh siad as cleachtadh.

Tá go leor smaointe againn ach ar dtús tógfaimid ár gcuid ama chun éisteacht leis na páistí agus athnasc a dhéanamh leo agus táimid ag tnúth go mór leis an athnascadh sin.

Sin é go fóil,

Eiseoimid litir eile an tseachtain seo chugainn, GRMAgaibh.

Clúdóidh ábhair na seachtaine seo chugainn

- **Déileáil le cás amhrasta Covid ar scoil**
- **TCP (PPE)**
- **Leanaí nár chóir dóibh freastal ar scoil**
- **Tacú le leanaí nach féidir leo freastal ar scoil**
- **Leanaí a bhailiú i rith an lae scoile**
- **Neamhláithreacht múinteoirí**
- **Ranganna tar éis scoile**
- **Polasíthe Nuashonruithe**
- **Trealamh Pearsanta**

GRMAgaibh! Táimid ann, nach mór.



Litir go tuistí-Seachtain 2

We hope everyone is well and enjoying the summer still. This is our second letter to parents/ guardians to give some information on starting back in school. Last week's letter was posted on the website.

We hope then you can join us for a round up of all our arrangements at a zoom webinar on 20th August, 7:30.
[click here to register](#)

This week's topics are the following:

- Going home routines
- Our Curriculum plans for term 1
- Cleaning in the school
- Hand washing routines
- Uniform info
- Returns of Rental Books
- Money info
- First Confession 17t Sept/ Communion 17th October
- Learning support

Going Home Routines

Please let us know

- ❖ If your child will be allowed go home alone (walk/cycle etc) during the school year
- ❖ If your child gets collected by after school care
- ❖ If your child goes home by bus.

This will help us organise their exit from the school safely.

Here are the staggered times for collecting your child after school:

- NB / NM 1:25 (12:30 for the first week).
- R1: 2:15
- R3: 2:20
- R2, R6: 2:25 (as R1 and R2 share a ramp we will separate these leaving the classrooms)
- R4 / 5 Avon: idir 2:15 agus 2:30- we will have to be flexible here as parents may have two pick up points. We will stay with children until they are collected. When collecting children from Avon, we will ask parents to text a phone number to say the name of the child to be let downstairs. Child will be escorted downstairs and brought to the lane next to the cafe, where you can collect them.

As with school arrival we will stagger going home times somewhat to minimise any clogging up of people gathering at the school gate.

When you come to the school you will see spots on the ground outside the gates and in the yard area (Parent's Zone). Please stand on these spots. This will ensure you are 2m away from others and as we let páistí out Pod by Pod from the classrooms - child will go straight to you and then you exit- leaving 2m between you and others. There will be no opportunity to stay and chat. If you need to talk to the teacher this can be arranged via appointment or emailing teachers.

If you have one child collected and need to wait for another sibling please just wait on the Parent spot.

Children cycling /walking home can leave straight away but we will need to know that they have permission to go on their own.

Children whose parents/collectors are not present at the collection time will stay supervised at bottom of their ramp until parents/collectors arrive.

Bus- for children travelling home by bus - these children are effectively a travelling home Pod and will be let out and escorted to the bus at 2:25.

For páistí in Avon, travelling by bus we will ask for a pick up from the hotel at 2:15.

They should sit on bus as agreed (i.e. with siblings/within class bubbles)

After school groups- For children being collected by Sakura/ Wonderworks/Creche: these groups will be assigned places to gather safely before they depart.

Curriculum Plans for Term 1

We have been guided here by the NCCA.

We will spend a lot of time at the start of the year revising and finding out where the children are at in terms of their learning. The advice to us is that it is better to go slow at the start.

Teachers will use the curriculum of the year previous for September and focus on some key subjects before a more normal approach to the Curriculum will be adopted.

The key subjects will be : Languages (most esp. Gaeilge for us), Maths, Social Personal Health Education (well being), and Physical Education.

Languages:

After such a long time without Irish immersion, we will have one month of Irish immersion in the school.

We will review this after two weeks.

Maths- we anticipate having to revise Maths from the previous curriculum to ensure concepts have been grasped before moving forward.

SPHE- this will involve a lot of Well Being type activities, social stories, sharing experiences of Lock down, talking about resilience, using resilient language and restorative approaches, circle time. It will also involve reestablishing school routines and norms and ensuring children feel safe in school.

Physical education- We will have two outdoors PE lessons a week for term 1, including using our garden and field next door. Children may need extra boots/runners. We will send Komeer about this if needed.

Cleaning in the school

Our school, like all schools, will have a new Cleaning regime and school has invested in new cleaning equipment to cater for our cleaning needs. The new regime involves:

- Training for cleaners on cleaning and disinfecting
- Training for teachers on cleaning and disinfecting (GRMA to the múinteoirí who will have extra cleaning duties)
- Extra hours for Cleaner during the week (including in Avon hotel)
- A Weekend deep clean.

By necessity, some classroom equipment needs to be shared ie. equipment used for structured activities and play in Infant classrooms. Cleaning of such shared equipment with wipes or other cleaning products will take place at regular intervals to minimise the risk of the spread of infection.

Hand washing routines:

We will be explaining to children why hand hygiene is important as well as when and how to wash their hands.

We will promote good hygiene and display posters throughout the schools on how to wash your hands.

Hand hygiene can be achieved by hand washing or use of a hand sanitiser (when hands look clean).

Children will wash their hands with mild soaps Pod by Pod.

We have water temperature adjusted to give children warm water to wash hands.

There is a requirement for access to hand washing facilities after activities that are likely to soil hands, for example playing outside or certain sporting activities as hand sanitiser does not work on dirty hands.

We are seeking to put in an outdoor sink so children outside in garden can wash hands before coming back into the classroom.

Hand sanitiser dispensers will be deployed at exit and entry points of schools and all rooms and care will be taken to clean up any hand sanitiser spills to prevent risks of falls.

Hand sanitiser is suitable for use for hand hygiene when hands are not visibly soiled (look clean).

According to DES guidelines children will not have independent use of containers of alcohol gel.

Frequency of Hand Hygiene

Pupils and staff will perform hand hygiene:

- ❖ On arrival at school
- ❖ Before eating or drinking
- ❖ After using the toilet;
- ❖ After playing outdoors;
- ❖ When their hands are physically dirty
- ❖ When they cough or sneeze.

Children may bring their own towel to school.

Uniforms

Though the DES guidelines does not refer to this, we understand that some parents will want to wash school uniforms (esp. Jumpers) more regularly.

So Children may wear their uniforms on Mondays, Wednesdays and tracksuit on Tuesdays and Thursday.

Tuesday and Thursdays will be our PE days from Rang 1-6 weather permitting.

Fridays - parents/children have the option to wear either uniform or tracksuit (This might free up some extra uniform washing over the weekend).

We hope this approach helps.

Rental books

We ask that all children return their rental books on the first day of term in a bag. These are the books that have a red dot on their cover and were sent home during term 3 last year. Please wipe down all books and place in bag. GRMAgaibh

We need all these books back from day 1 to pass on to the class previous. GRMA

Information on money

We have a new rule around handling money- from now we will become a cashless school.

All payments to school can be made via EPP.

First Confession (17th Sept) / Communion(17th October)

It has been a long wait for our páistí and families for these special occasions.

We are delighted that Fr. Pádriag will perform ceremonies for both Sacraments in the Church of Our Lady, Blessington Parish Church.

Attendance at these ceremonies will be dictated by rules around Church attendance.

Currently this stands at 50, but may increase to 100 by Communion dates.

Learning Support

In keeping with our Special Education policy, learning support will be provided by a blended approach of in-class support and withdrawal. The provision of support will be organised to ensure our support teachers will work within the confines of a bubble.

- Where a support teacher is working alongside a class teacher in a classroom, both teachers must be mindful of maintaining social distance from one another.
- Where children receive support in one of the SET rooms, social distancing of 1 metre will be maintained between each child in the group. (and 2m when possible)
- The tables and chairs in SET rooms will be wiped clean in between different groups attending
- We have reconfigured the halla to cater for extra support areas and hope to show you this on night of the webinar.
- Board has appointed some extra learning support teachers to cater for childrens' catch up needs this special year.

We will take our time when we get back to find out where the children are at in their learning- We anticipate children will be tired, having been out of the school routine for so long. We anticipate Maths will need a lot of revision and catch up work for some. We also anticipate children may find it hard to produce writing passages (as they may well be out of practice).

We have lots of ideas but first we will take our time to listen to the children and reconnect with them and we very much look forward to that reconnection.

Sin é go fóill, That's it for now.

We will issue another letter next week, GRMagaibh.

Next week's topics will cover

- Dealing with suspect case of Covid in school
- PPE
- Children who should not attend school
- Supporting children who cannot attend school
- Collecting children during school day
- Teacher absence
- After school classes
- Policy Updates
- Personal Equipment

GRMagaibh !

