

Roan St Patrick's Primary School

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Dear Parents,

Re-opening for all children

The Education Minister has confirmed that all children will return to school on Monday 22nd March. Please see below for drop-off / pick-up time reminders.

Walkers will enter / exit via the roadside gate as normal. Members of staff will be on duty at both gates when they open at 8.45am in the morning (gates will be closed at 9.05am).

School pick-up arrangements:

- Primary 1 children will be walked to the new car park gate at 1.50pm for collection.
- Primary 2 children will be walked to the new car park gate at 2.00pm for collection.
- Primary 3 children will be walked to the new car park gate at 2.50pm for collection (2pm on a Friday).
- Primary 4 children will be walked to the new car park gate at 2.50pm for collection.
- Primary 5 and 6 children will be walked to the new car park gate at 2.55pm for collection.
- Primary 7 children will be walked to the new car park gate at 3.00pm for collection.

Please ensure that the person who is collecting your children is aware of these guidelines.

Children will need to take their own snack to school and a stocked pencil case which will remain in school. School dinners will be available to purchase and the updated menu is on the school website (dinners are unavailable on Holy Thursday and packed lunches will be needed for all). PE days will be updated on the school website as soon as they have been agreed.

There will be no formal homework until after the Easter break.

Transfer Club

Transfer Club will begin next Tuesday 23rd March from 8.00 – 8.45am for those children wishing to take the test this year. It will run every Tuesday and Thursday morning thereafter when the school is open (children should have completed paper 1 in both Maths and English and have their packs with them).

Enhanced Focus on Safety Protocols

As a school community, we must re-focus our attention on the most up-to-date advice and guidance from the PHA. It is very important that we focus on our hand hygiene at all times and that we do our utmost to ensure that social distancing is maintained. We ask that parents are mindful of this when dropping-off and collecting children from school and that you continue to refrain from gathering in groups or breaking the 2m social distancing rule in the school car park.

A close contact can be defined as someone who has been within 2m for more than 15 minutes or within 1m for any amount of time with a positive case. If we adhere to the guidelines, we will minimise the chances of being identified as possible close contacts and we will minimise the risk of a potential outbreak within the school.

If your child is feeling unwell, please do not send them to school until they are feeling better. If you or your child are showing Covid-19 symptoms, do not send them to school and contact the PHA helpline (119) to arrange a test. Your child can return to school if the result is negative and if they are feeling well enough to do so. We ask that you liaise closely with the school even if your child's symptoms are not Covid-19 related.

We understand the challenges for parents surrounding the closing of bubbles within school. It is important that we do everything that we can to minimise the risk of this happening. In the event of a bubble being shut-down for a 10-day period, your child's teacher will lead their learning via the Seesaw app. In the event of your child going into isolation due to a positive case at home, your child's teacher will send work home via the same app.

Yours sincerely,

S Mone

Principal





