



Back To School Plan: What Parents/Guardians Need To Know

We can't wait to welcome your children back to school. To keep us all safe, we appreciate your ongoing cooperation with our procedures and your adherence with all Public Health guidelines.

- Please do not send your child to school if they are feeling ill.
- Make sure we have up to date contact details for you on Aladdin Connect.
- If your child becomes ill in school please make arrangements for them to be collected promptly.
- If you are travelling abroad at any stage please follow public health advice and do not send your child back to school until it is safe to do so.
- **You must complete the 'Return to School' declaration on Aladdin Connect after your child returns to school following any absence.**



- To ensure safe entry and exit to school please adhere to the arrival and dismissal procedures.
- The laneway gates will open at **8.50am** and pupils may enter the yard and line up in their class bubbles from this time. Pupils should be dropped off at the gates - **no parents/guardians in the yard please.**
- The lines will be marked on the first morning so everyone will know where to go!
- Lines will be socially distanced and will be brought in by their teachers in a staggered manner.
- Pupils will be supervised in the yard **from 8.50am**.
- **Please do not send your child to school before 8.50am. There is no supervision in school before this time.**
- The doors will open at **9am** and will remain open until **9.20am** so pupils may come to class at any time during this time slot.
- **3rd and 4th class** pupils use the **gate nearest Verbena Avenue** to enter and exit the school.
- **5th and 6th** class pupils use the **gate at the top of the laneway at the back of the school** to enter and exit the school.
- All side doors and laneway gates will be closed at **9.20am**. If your child arrives to school after 9.20am, they should enter via the front porch and use the buzzer to gain entry. They will need to sign the book in the porch.
- We would encourage children to walk or cycle to school. If you are driving, please consider parking away from the school and walking the last leg of the journey, to avoid congestion on the narrow path at the front of the school.
- All classes will finish at **2.40pm** and will be dismissed on a socially distanced basis via the same gates as they come in. It might be an idea to arrange to meet your child at a safe location away from the school e.g. the green area behind the school is away from traffic and there is lots of space to be socially distanced.
- **Please do not congregate outside the school at any time. Adults who are dropping off or collecting children should wear a mask and maintain physical distance from others.**





- Practise good hand hygiene and coughing and sneezing etiquette with your child at home. Encourage them to wash their hands for 20 seconds and check they are doing it properly.
- Give them their own pack of tissues to bring to school so if they sneeze they can 'catch it, bin it and kill it'!
- There are hand sanitising facilities in each room and pupils will be encouraged to use them on a regular basis.



- **There are no visitors allowed into the school at this time.** If you need to speak to a member of staff please write a note, ring the school, or email us and we will make arrangements to call you at a suitable time. **Do not approach staff members at their classroom door, or in the yard at any stage.**



- If you need to collect your child early for any reason, please write a note to the class teacher. You can also let us know via Aladdin Connect. Your child will be brought to the porch at the designated time and the signing out book will also be in the porch.
- If your child forgets something please put it in a bag with their name on it and there is a white plastic box in the porch where you can leave it.
- There is only room for one person at a time in the porch, so please do not enter if someone else is already there. There is a hand sanitizer available in the porch for you to use, as soon as you come in.
- All adults coming and going to the school should wear a mask.

- Make sure your child has an adequate supply of pens, pencils, rubbers, sharpeners etc. Children will not be allowed to share their belongings and there is no school shop at the moment.
- Pupils should wear their normal school uniform. It is a good idea to change out of their uniform when they go home.
- Pupils can wear their own appropriate clothes on PE days.
- We aim to let the children out in the fresh air as much as possible so please make sure your child brings a rainproof coat with a hood and waterproof shoes to school every day.



- We will do our best to keep class bubbles from mixing in school with staggered break times, socially distanced entry and exit procedures and designated bathrooms. We appreciate your cooperation with all the public health guidance when the pupils are outside of school, so that we can keep our school open.



All of these procedures are subject to review as the situation evolves.

We will keep in touch with you with any changes or updates via email and will add notices to our school website www.baysidesns.ie. Don't forget to download the app from our website to receive notifications from our school.