



24<sup>th</sup> February 2021

Dear Parents/Guardians,

As you know the Department of Education has developed guidance for a staggered return to school which began on 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2021, for children with additional needs. The next phase begins on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> March for children in Junior Infants, Senior Infants, First Class and Second Class. This involves schools putting in place plans to prepare for this. You are being asked to confirm if your child is returning to school by use of Dojo. We advise all families to read the information below on a daily basis before sending your child to school to ensure the health and safety of all other pupils and staff. In addition, you must complete the Return to School Declaration on behalf of your child. This document has been made available to all families through Aladdin Connect and on the School Website.

### **Arrival & Dismissal:**

The staggered arrival times will continue for this term,

- Pupils with surname beginning with A - N arrive between 8:45am and 9:00am
- Pupils with surname beginning with O – Z arrive between 9:00am and 9:15am

The staggered dismissal times will also continue this term,

- Junior & Senior Infants 1:40pm from the school playground
- 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Classes 2:20pm from the school playground

Parents are reminded that they should not congregate at the school at any time. Masks must be worn on the school campus.

### **Books & Homework:**

All books and baskets that were collected in January should be returned to school on the 1<sup>st</sup> March.

Homework will not be given for the first week and your child's class teacher will be in contact regarding homework after this.

### **School Attendance:**

Your child should not attend school if they:

- Are feeling unwell;
- Display any of the following symptoms: persistent cough, high temperature, loss of taste, loss of smell or difficulty breathing;
- Have been given any temperature reducing medication in the previous 48 hours for any reason (e.g. Calpol or Neurofen);

# Scoil Chormaic

COMMUNITY NATIONAL SCHOOL

SCOIL NÁISIÚNTA POBAIL

Castlemill, Balbriggan, Co. Dublin

Muileann an Chaisleáin, Baile Brigín, Co. BÁC



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Deputy Principal *Leas-Príomhoide*

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- Are waiting to take a Covid test or awaiting the results of a Covid test;
- Have tested positive for Covid 19 in the past 14 days;
- Have been identified as a close contact of a person who has tested positive for Covid 19;
- Have been advised by a doctor or the HSE to self-isolate at this time;
- Have been advised by a doctor or the HSE to cocoon at this time;
- Have been advised by your doctor or the HSE that you are in the very high-risk group.

If you say yes for your child in any of the above, they cannot attend school until instructed by your GP or the HSE.

- It is school policy if your child presents with any of these symptoms during the school day your child will be sent home.
- Parents are reminded that they should not congregate at the school at any time.
- You may contact the school at [scoilchormaiccns@ddletb.ie](mailto:scoilchormaiccns@ddletb.ie) or if you wish to speak with a teacher, we will arrange a telephone call.
- Please ensure your contact and your emergency contact details are up to date with school so that there is no unnecessary delay in a sick child going home.

Thank you for your cooperation for this. We look forward to seeing your child.

Kind regards,

Deirdre Corcoran