



Return to School Plan Scoil Ursula

Uniforms:

- Monday, Wednesday, Friday: Blue PE Uniform
- Tuesday & Thursday: Brown Uniform

Homework:

- No homework for the month of September. Will be reviewed again from October
- No transfer of books/copies/pencil cases between home and school (lunch box & drink bottle only)

Contact with class teacher:

- Parents will not be permitted in the school building unless for an essential purpose and/or with an appointment.
- Please notify teacher of any appointments via email or by contacting the school office 071 – 9162835

Mornings:

- Please do not send your child to school if they are sick – <https://www2.hse.ie/conditions/coronavirus/if-your-child-has-symptoms.html#stay-at-home>
- Gates will be open at 8.35am.
- Thornhill gate will be closed.
- Teachers will be on the yards from 8.35am.
- If it is raining heavily, classes will be brought in early
- We would encourage walking and cycling to and from school. There are bike stands behind the shelter at the Thornhill side of the school.
- Please wear a mask when on the school grounds and adhere to social distancing guidelines

Junior Infants – 2nd Class Entrance: (Signage at gate)

- Please follow the one-way system (ground signs will be in place)
- As you meet the class teacher, please allow your child to proceed to the line themselves with the guidance of class teacher and other school staff
- Please then continue to follow the one-way system back to the school gate.
- We would encourage parents of 1st & 2nd class pupils to allow the children walk into the school grounds themselves.

3rd to 6th Class Entrance: (signage at gate)

- Gates open at 8.35am
- Children to go to line where a teacher will be.
- Parents will be asked not to enter the school grounds at the 3rd- 6th class entrance gates

In Class:

- Coat to be put in a bag to avoid possible contamination of coats when hanging together. This bag will be kept under the child's seat. School bag may be used if coat will fit or else send a separate, labelled bag with your child.
- Children will be seated in 'pods' in class 'bubbles' where possible. If not possible, full class will be treated as a 'bubble'.
- There will be no sharing of belongings.
- Windows will be open for ventilation
- Masks/visors for children allowed (parental decision). Please provide a labelled zip-locked bag so that the visor/mask can be brought home daily for sanitising.
- Velcro shoes to be worn if children cannot tie shoelaces as teachers will be unable to do this

Sanitising:

- Elbow operated sanitising stations in each classroom. Sanitising facilities at each main entrance
- Please label and send a small bottle of sanitiser with your child

Breaks:

- Children will eat in classroom for 10mins before each break.
- Group 1 breaks: 10.30am – 10.45am (excluding eating time)
12.10pm – 12.30pm (excluding eating time)
- Group 2 breaks: 10.55am – 11.10am (excluding eating time)
12.40pm – 1.00pm (excluding eating time)
- Each class will be allocated a play space on the yard
- Children will wear bibs to identify classes on the yards and to ensure there is no mixing of class 'bubbles'
- Each child will have their own bib.

✚ **Home time:**

Junior Infants – 2nd class:

- Gate will be closed until 1.30pm and again until 2.30pm
- Please follow one way system
- Teachers will be with their class at the class line and will release children to their parents/after school carers one at a time
- We ask for your patience during home time collections
- Please wear a face mask and adhere to social distancing guidance

3rd – 6th class:

- Gates will be closed until 2.30pm
- Please wait outside the school gate
- 3rd – 6th classes will be accompanied by teachers to the main gates
- Extra teachers will be on the yards to manage bus groups/children with bikes etc.
- Please wear a face mask and adhere to social distancing guidance

✚ **Cleaning:**

- All classrooms and children's toilets will be cleaned daily.
- A deep clean of all rooms will be done before returning.
- Fogging machines ordered (will be done daily)

✚ **Covid-19 Signage:**

- Signage will be at main entrance gates, main entrance doors, paths on grounds into school and also around school building and in classrooms

✚ **Isolation rooms:**

- Our school hall will have a section set out as an isolation area

✚ **Documentation:**

- Covid-19 Policy & School Response Plan: will be on the school website

✚ **Curriculum:**

- Previous learning will be re-taught, revised and consolidated before new learning is introduced (for at least the month of September).
- Greater time will be given to Maths, Language, SPHE and PE
- PE will be outdoors only and weather permitting (emphasis on Strands conducive to outdoor space).
- PE days will be Monday, Wednesday & Friday
- Attention will to be given to personal hygiene

✚ **Children returning from holidays abroad:**

- Anyone returning from a red list country will have to quarantine for 14 days before returning to school (proof in the form of a return boarding pass may be required)
- Anyone returning from a green list country will not have to quarantine