



23/08/2021

## School Reopening and Covid 19 Safety Measures

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We hope you and your families had a lovely summer. We look forward to welcoming back all our pupils on Tuesday August 31<sup>st</sup>.

Our school aims re-open in an orderly safe manner. The Department of Education and Skills has advised schools to continue to implement the measures and safety practices from the previous school year. (Guidance issued on August 12<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>)

**Please read the following carefully.**

**1. Your child must not return to school if he/she:**

- is experiencing symptoms of Covid 19
- is a close contact of a person with Covid 19
- is awaiting a test
- lives with a person who has Covid 19 symptoms

Please see link to Covid 19 symptoms: <https://www2.hse.ie/conditions/covid19/symptoms/overview/>

**2. It is essential that you complete the Return to Educational Facility Declaration Form before your child's return on Tuesday August 31<sup>st</sup>. The form must be completed for each child. (Siblings need multiple forms filled). See email for link.**

3. Please note drop and collection points and times below. Your child must **line up on the footpath in single file at a distance** from others. Pupils have from 8.45am -9.00am to arrive at school. Teaching will begin at 9.00am. Each class route is marked with coloured arrows as listed below.

4.

<u>Drop Off</u>	<u>Collection</u>
<b>8.45am to 9.00am (All classes)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Senior Infants Gate A (Blue Route)</li><li>• Ist Class Gate A (Red Route)</li><li>• 2<sup>nd</sup> Class Gate C (Yellow Route)</li><li>• 3<sup>rd</sup> class- Gate A (Green Route)</li><li>• *Mrs. Scanlon's 3<sup>rd</sup> Class – Gate C (Orange Route)</li><li>• 4<sup>th</sup> class – Gate A (Green Route)</li><li>• 5<sup>th</sup> class – Gate C (Orange Route)</li><li>• 6<sup>th</sup> class – Gate C (White Route)</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Senior Infants 1.40pm Gate A</li><li>• Ist Class 2.30pm Gate A</li><li>• 2<sup>nd</sup> Class 2.35pm Gate B (Ms. Brosnan &amp; Mrs. Mulvihill's Class) and Mr. Danaher's Class Gate C. (Steps)</li><li>• 3<sup>rd</sup> Class 2.35pm Gate A &amp; Mrs Scanlon's Class Gate C (Ramp)</li><li>• 4<sup>th</sup> Class 2.40pm Gate A</li><li>• 5<sup>th</sup> Class 2.40pm Gate C (Ramp)</li><li>• 6<sup>th</sup> Class 2.40pm Gate C (Steps)</li></ul>

5. Parents/Guardians should **not congregate at school gates** or on school grounds. Once you have collected your child, please **leave without delay. Maintain social distancing** at all times.

**6. All adults must wear a mask.**

7. Please wipe down all your child's belongings before returning to school (books, boxes, lunch boxes, pencil cases etc) Please do not come onto school grounds.

8. Please ensure your child has all necessary equipment as sharing will not be allowed.

**9.** Communication with the School should be phone or pre-arranged appointment. ([office@stnessans.ie](mailto:office@stnessans.ie) (061) 229911).

**10.** We request that each child bring his/her own small bottle of hand sanitiser and a pack of anti-viral wipes to school.

**11.** Our school uniform policy is unchanged. The full school uniform is to be worn on non P.E. days and the tracksuit may be worn on P.E. days. Your child's teacher will inform your child of P.E days upon return to school.

These arrangements are subject to change based on Public Health Guidance. We will monitor these arrangements and change if and as necessary.

As always, we appreciate your co-operation and look forward to a new school year.

Marie McKeogh

Acting Principal