



Sligo School Project
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Dear Parents and Guardians,

I hope you are well and managed to enjoy the summer. Sligo School Project will reopen on Thursday, 27 August for all students. Please remember the following arrangements for the first couple of days:

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| Thursday, 27th of August | School opens 9:00 h | School closes 12:00 for ALL children |
| Friday, 28th of August | School opens 9:00 h | School closes 12:00 for ALL children |
| Monday, 31st of August to Friday, 4th of September | School opens 9:00 h | School closes 12:00 for Junior Infants School closes 13:45 for Senior Infants School closes 14:45 for all other children |

We are delighted to have two new members of staff with us for the coming year. Tobias Baudry is our new cleaner and Sarah Jane Flynn is our new special needs assistant.

At present we are planning for reopening the school in line with the roadmap for a full return to school as issued by the Department of Education on July 27th. Included in the planning is the purchase of extra cleaning materials and personal protective equipment. There is a plan in place for increased cleaning and sanitising procedures within the school premises. We will install several hand sanitising stations in appropriate locations throughout the school and also handwashing stations in each class room.

We are planning to keep the number of adults who enter the school to a minimum. Under the present circumstances we ask parents/guardians not to enter the school premises. Therefore we ask parents/guardians who wish to drop off their children to school not to enter the building. Should parents/guardians need to talk to the teacher of their child at times of drop off or pick up, please come to the emergency exit door of your child's classroom where the teacher will meet you.

If you need to collect your child early from school, please go to the emergency exit of the child's class room from where your child will be able to join you.

At any time if your child/children is feeling unwell, please do not send them to school. Any child who displays symptoms of sickness in school will be removed to an unused room while parents are contacted to come to collect the child.

These measures are being put in place to ensure the health and safety of our school community. Please be aware that in line with guidance from the Department of Education it is not required that children wear face-masks in school. It is recommended that primary school teachers and staff wear face coverings where a distance of 2 metres cannot be maintained. Staff will use face coverings as appropriate.

We will continue to be available to meet parents/guardians at agreed dates/times after 2.45 p.m. We do not have a secretary at present, but we check phone messages regularly. If you wish to leave a message on the answering machine your call will be returned as soon as possible. Please don't hesitate to contact us with any queries you may have.

All the best, Carmel