

TOREAGH PRIMARY SCHOOL

Child Protection/Safeguarding Team

Designated Teacher: Miss Morrow (lmorrow225@c2ni.net)
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Another week has past, and the children are well into the routine of school. It was great to see the wee ones, out and about in their wellies, enjoying the outdoors. Watch out for “Star of the Week” on the website on Friday afternoon.

Remember that school earliest start time is 8.35am. Please do not enter the playground until a member of staff is there.

Contacting School

All Covid related phone calls or emails should be directed to Miss Morrow (lmorrow225@c2kni.net). I check my emails periodically throughout the day, in the evening, early in the morning and at weekends! If your child tests positive for Covid 19, please email me immediately. Should there be a positive case in school, you will receive a text message. I have attached a letter from the PHA which you should read if there is a positive case in your child’s class. A copy will be put into the Home Learning Section of the website. I will direct you to this letter when applicable. The PHA contact tracing service may contact you, so please answer a call from a number you might not know.

Remember if your child is unwell, continue to err on the side of caution and do not send them to school. If your child has any signs of Covid 19, you should book a PCR test right away. Your child can return to school if the test is negative and they are feeling better. Children feeling unwell in school, will be sent home. Should your child have any covid symptoms, all siblings will be sent home too. A negative PCR test will enable your child and their siblings to return.

If you are phoning in the morning, please try and call between 8.10am and 8.30am. Mrs Wilson will be in school from 8.40am.

If you are recording an absence please email Mrs Wilson swilson689@c2kni.net If your child is off school and we haven’t heard from you, Mrs Wilson will give you a call.

Reminder

School Development Day –Friday 1st October 2021 school closed.

Community News

Larne Ladies Hockey Club

We are running mini hockey on a Sunday 10-11am at Larne High School pitch from P1-P6! and Juniors from P7 up. Just turn up and pay £2 at the gate. Here is the link to the post on our Facebook page with more information

<https://www.facebook.com/451412964947016/posts/4350019691752971/?d=n>

Something to make you smile Primary 7 Jokes!!!



From Ted

What is a skeleton's favourite meal?

RIBS

From Jack

What is the name of the famous skeleton explorer?

INDIANA BONES

From Tilly

Why was the skeleton so funny?

Because he was very 'humerus'

I hope you have a good weekend.

C L Morrow
Principal

17th September 2021

CONFIRMED CASE OF COVID-19 IN SCHOOL SETTING – INFORMATION FOR PARENTS AND STAFF

Where a case of confirmed COVID-19 (Coronavirus) has been reported in a person with links to a school setting, all close contacts of the case who need to take specific actions with regard to testing and self-isolation will be identified, contacted and advised by the Public Health Agency (PHA) Contact Tracing Service.

If you are contacted by PHA Contact Tracing Service, please follow the guidance that they provide to you. Information on the latest self-isolation requirements can be found on NI Direct (<https://www.nidirect.gov.uk/articles/coronavirus-covid-19-self-isolating>). **The advice on what to do if a close contact changed on 16th August 2021.**

What to do if your child develops symptoms of COVID 19

The most common symptoms of COVID-19 are recent onset of:

- new continuous cough and/or
- high temperature and/or
- a loss of, or change in, normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)

Please book a free PCR test, **even if an earlier one was negative**. Your child should stay at home and self-isolate until you receive the result. Please see Coronavirus (COVID-19): self-isolating | nidirect for guidance on whether other people in your household also need to self-isolate while you are waiting for your child's PCR result.

Tests can be arranged at your closest testing site or by requesting a postal kit which will be sent to your home address. You can choose whichever option is more convenient for you. Going for a COVID test is one of the reasons your child can leave home during the self-isolation period, however, they should not use public transport. Please order a postal test if you do not have private transport to a test site.

How to stop COVID-19 spreading

There are things you can do to help reduce the risk of you and anyone you live with getting ill with COVID-19:

- Please get vaccinated if you are eligible and haven't already done so**
- wash your hands with soap and water often – do this for at least 20 seconds
- use hand sanitiser gel if soap and water are not available
- wash your hands as soon as you get home
- cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or your sleeve (not your hands) when you cough or sneeze
- put used tissues in the bin immediately and wash your hands afterwards

Further information

For further information, please see the NI Direct website Coronavirus (COVID-19): self-isolating | nidirect the Public Health Agency website <https://www.publichealth.hscni.net/covid-19-coronavirus> or contact NHS 111. If your child feels unwell and you are worried about their symptoms or about anyone else in the home, please contact your GP.