

TOREAGH PRIMARY SCHOOL

Child Protection/Safeguarding Team

Designated Teacher: Miss Morrow (lmorrow225@c2ni.net)
Deputy Designated Teacher: Mrs Wells (ywells497@c2kni.net)
School Governor: Mrs H Apsley (brian_apsley@fastmail.co.uk)

It is Friday again! Time is flying by and October is just around the corner. We have been blessed with decent weather over the last few weeks and hopefully this will continue. The support of our parents with regard to our Covid regulations has been fantastic so far and we really appreciate this.

Child Protection Procedures for Parents

If you, as a parent, have a concern about your child's safety, you may speak to the Designated Teacher for Child Protection and Safeguarding, Miss Morrow, telephone (02828260617). If Miss Morrow is unavailable, you may speak to the Deputy Designated Teachers for Child Protection and Safeguarding, Mrs Wells or Mrs Ellison. If you are still concerned you may write to the Chairperson of the Board of Governors, c/o Toreagh Primary School. At any time, you may talk to a social worker at the Social Services Gateway Team on 0300 1234 333 or the PSNI Care Unit on 028 90650222. Our designated Governor for Child Protection and Safeguarding is Mrs Hilary Apsley.

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 [https://www.nidirect.gov.uk/articles/coronavirus-covid-19-self-isolating-for-guidance-on-whether-other-people-in-your-household-also-need-to-self-isolate-while-you-are-waiting-for-your-child's-PCR-result](https://www.nidirect.gov.uk/articles/coronavirus-covid-19-self-isolating-for-guidance-on-whether-other-people-in-your-household-also-need-to-self-isolate-while-you-are-waiting-for-your-childs-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

Reminder

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

Flu Vaccination Consent Forms

Any outstanding consent forms should be signed and returned to school by Monday 27th September, as the school nurse will be collecting these on Tuesday.

Reading Books

Please remember reading books should be returned to school on a Thursday morning. This will allow books time to be quarantined ready for the following week.

Jewellery

For Health & Safety reasons, only a watch may be worn to school. The staff however will not be responsible for any loss or damage to watches. Just a little reminder that earrings should **not** be worn. (Uniform & PE Policy)

Colder Days

Please ensure your child has a suitable coat with them in school as we try to get the children outside as much as possible – so warm coat is essential.

One of our mitigations against the spread of Covid-19 is ensuring adequate ventilation in classrooms and learning areas. This sometimes leads to the school being a bit cooler than usual. We are more than happy for the children to wear an extra jumper/skin, below their sweatshirt, if they feel a bit chilly.

Contacting School

Please note Mrs Wilson's email address is swilson869@c2kni.net as this was misprinted on last note.

All Covid related phone calls or emails should be directed to Miss Morrow (lmorrow225@c2kni.net).

If you are recording an absence please email Mrs Wilson swilson869@c2kni.net If your child is off school and we haven't heard from you, Mrs Wilson will give you a call.

Parent Consultations

Monday 18th October – Thursday 21st October 2021

These will again take place by telephone. Each call will last 10 mins and will be from a withheld number. You will be advised of your time on the home learning page on Monday 4th October the first week of October.

During this week, classes will finish at Friday finishing times to facilitate parent/teacher consultations.

FRIDAY EARLY PICK UP TIMES

Class	Pick Up
P1	1.50pm
P2 and P3	1.55pm
P4	2.00pm
P5/6	2.05pm
P7	2.10pm

Something to make you smile Primary 7 Jokes!!!



By Sam M

What is a skeleton's favourite chocolate?

Patella

By Lucas

What was the skeleton's favourite ride at the fun park?

The Rollerghoster

C L Morrow
Principal

24th September 2021