

COVID19 SUMMARY FOR PARENTS 2021/22

This is a summary of our COVID Response Plan. You can find the full plan on our school website.



WELCOME BACK AND SETTLING IN

- There will undoubtedly be some butterflies in tummies come Thursday morning but we will be doing all we can to extend a warm welcome and help your child settle back in.
- If you have any concerns about your child returning to school please get in touch and through my confidential email at mistercarr123@gmail.com
- All parents should fill in a **Return to Education Form** by clicking [here](#). This link will also be emailed to you.

ARRIVAL TO SCHOOL & COLLECTION

- Arrive to school between 9:10 – 9:30 am (No drop offs before 9:10)
 - Parents should drop their children at the Marian Hall or at the back steps if coming from the Market Yard.**
 - Children should enter the building immediately and head straight to their classroom. **No hanging around on yard.**
 - 2nd Class – 6th Class should enter the **front door** and upstairs to their classroom
 - Junior Infants – 1st Class (Ms. O'Reilly's) to enter the **back door** and head straight to class.
 - Masks or face coverings must be worn by all adults at drop off and collection.**
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- When collecting children parents should wait at the Marian Hall (2m apart) or at their car in the carpark.
 - Parents should not come onto the school yard**
 - Children to be collected early by prior appointment only. (Phone call, email or ClassDojo)

SAFETY PROCEDURES

CHILDREN

- As before, children will be separated into bubbles (classrooms) and pods (small groups within each class) where they can't social distance.
- Children will sanitise and clean hands regularly throughout the day- entering and leaving the building, lunch time etc.

- Children with a high temperature, cough, breathing difficulties or loss of taste/ smell should not come to school. If children present with these symptoms during the day they will be isolated (in our isolation room) and their parents contacted to take them home.
- Children should not bring any unnecessary items into school. (**no toys, gadgets etc**)
- It is not recommended that pupils at primary school level wear face coverings to school. However, if a pupil feels more comfortable wearing a face covering **and can do so safely** the school will not discourage this.
- Children are still permitted to wear their P.E. uniform every Tuesday and Thursday but for the first day we ask that all children wear their regular school uniform.

If your child is in one of the following categories, they should not attend school:

Children who have been diagnosed with COVID-19

Children who have been in close contact with a person who has been diagnosed with COVID-19

Children who have a suspected case of COVID-19 and the outcome of the test is pending

Children who have been in contact with a person who has a suspected case of COVID-19 and the outcome of the test is pending

Children with underlying health conditions who have been directed by a medical professional not to attend school

Children who have returned home after travelling abroad and must self-isolate for a period of 14 days

Children who are generally unwell

STAFF

- All staff will be aware of our protocol and guidelines for a safe reopening and will refresh their memories with COVID Induction Training
- All staff will fill in a Return to Work Declaration Form before returning to the workplace.
- Our staff have access to a supply of PPE (Surgical Grade masks, Visors, gloves and aprons) and will wear face coverings at all times within 2 metres of any child.
- Our school will be cleaned daily focusing on frequent touch points and surfaces.

CONTACT US

- If you have any further questions at all please feel free to contact us at officescoilchaitriona@gmail.com or mistercarr123@gmail.com
- You can find more information at : <https://www.scoilchaitrionaballyshannon.ie/covid-19/return-to-school-plan/>

CHECKLIST FOR BACK TO SCHOOL

A quick checklist of things you will need for returning to school:



THINGS YOU WILL NEED TO DO:

- Please fill out a **Return to School Declaration** for your family. [Click here](#)

- Don't forget to sign into www.carambola.ie to choose the lunch options for your child for the following week. Friday midnight is the deadline for the following week. You can reset your password on the website if need be. If you haven't selected a lunch, the default lunch is a Vegetable Curry.

- Your child will need to bring their own drink/ water bottle to school. Water/ juices are not included with this year's lunches.

- P.E. Days will still be Tuesday and Thursday. Your children can wear their school tracksuit these days. However, please wear regular uniform for our first day back.

- Please do not send your child to school if they are unwell or if you have recently travelled abroad.

- Be sure to have downloaded ClassDojo and the Schools Ireland App to receive the latest news and updates from the school.