

A Traffic Management Plan for Gaelscoil Mhainistir Na Corann

Gaelscoil Mhainistir Na Corann will be used on a daily basis by 550+ pupils, over 45 staff members and over 365 families. This plan was put together by the Board of Management to ensure the health, safety and protection of all our school community. We ask that you adhere to the following regulations.

Mornings

- Supervision will be provided for your children every morning from 8.40 - 9.00 am
- The pedestrian gate at the Castlerock Road is open each morning from 8.40 am to 9 am.
- The gate to the parents' car park is open from 8.30 am to 9 am.
- Leave your child safely at the designated 'Set-down' areas and drive on.
- Please refrain from abandoning your car on the designated area as this will lead to major disruption.
- The children may walk directly to the assigned class doors, where they will be greeted by staff and supervised in their classrooms by staff members.
- 6th class traffic wardens are on duty to assist younger children and walk them to the doors.
- Naíonáin Bheaga and R4 will enter through the main school door (Door number 5)
- Naíonáin Mhóra and R3 will enter through the door nearest the Astroturf. (Door number 6)
- Rang 1 and 2 will enter through the door nearest the side gate leading to the hall. (Door number 1)
- Rang 5 and 6 will enter through the door near the library. (Door number 3)
- Remember, leaving your child's school bag in the boot of the car can lead to unnecessary delays at 'set-down' and, if possible, should be in the car with the pupil.
- Please refrain from parking in the staff car park. The car park is for staff only.
- Infant parents or those who wish to walk their children to the door should park in the parents' car park. Entrance via the upper gate and exit via the main gate only.
- In the interest of child protection, we ask that parents not remain on the school grounds before school.
- Please refrain from 'setting down' in the middle of the road, as this can lead to a serious accident
- U-turns are strictly forbidden. All turns must be made at the roundabout.

Afternoons

- The pedestrian gate at the Castlerock Road is open each afternoon from 1.20 pm to 3 pm.
- School buses are welcome on campus and will 'set down' in designated areas
- At 1.40 pm, after the buses have exited, cars may park as directed in the set-down area.
- Cars will be allowed to enter the school grounds via the upper gate only at 1.10 pm and gain access to the parents' car park.
- Exiting from the parents' car park is always via the main gate only.
- Infants will not be released until collected at their designated door at 1.40 pm.
- Children from rang 1-6 will be escorted to their exit door at 2.40 pm by their class teacher, where they may be collected or walk to meet with their parents/guardians as directed.

General

- We recommend that you park in public parking areas **outside the school** and enjoy the benefits of walking your child to and from school. In this case, you may use any of the pedestrian/ cycle lanes along the route.
- It would be of huge benefit also if parents could organise car pooling. As well as being beneficial to the environment, it will cut down on traffic congestion.
- Never allow your child to cross the main road unaccompanied.
- Always use one of the 2 crossings when crossing the main road and accompany your child while doing so.