



Bray School Project N.S

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Roll Number 19754J

Principal: Carol Lanigan

Reopening Plan for Bray School Project N.S

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We are pleased to share with you our Reopening Plan for BSP. This plan has been formulated following government guidelines and will be reviewed and monitored on an ongoing basis.

Layout of Classes

We have reconfigured the layout of our classes to best meet the need for physical distancing in 3rd-6th class. Below is a table explaining this new configuration. This can also be seen in the map attached.

Class	Area	Staff
Class 7	As Before	Deirdre Smith, Margaret Maguire, Linda Kennedy
Class 8	As Before	Anneka Keating, Maebh Harrison, Meichelle Mooney
Junior Infants	Former 6th Class classroom	Suzanne Godfrey, Aisling Healy, Aoife Concannon
Senior Infants	Former 5th Class classroom	Lyndsey Brack-Sinnott, Tim Fitzgerald, Margit Stiebitzhofer
1st Class	As Before	Niamh Acton, Jamie Finnerty, June Keating
2nd Class	As Before	Lesley Sheridan, Jamie Finnerty, June Keating
3rd Class	Former Senior Infant Classroom and shared area	Oscar Lawless, Vivienne Buckley, Michelle Adebisi
4th Class	4th Class classroom and shared area	Sorcha Maguire, Vivienne Buckley, Michelle Adebisi
5th Class	Former Resource Room opposite class 7+8	Claire Ryan, Anna Cannon, Silvestry Odongo, Sinéad Jones
6th Class	Hall	Margaret Masterson, Silvestry Odongo, Sinéad Jones
SET		
Vivienne Buckley	Former 3rd class classroom	
Jamie Finnerty	Resource Room 1	
Tim Fitzgerald	Resource Room 1	
Sinéad Jones	Resource Room 2	



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Staggered Starting Time and Finishing Time

We are fortunate with the design of our school building that each area has its own access point. This means that we are able to limit the staggered times to two groups. Children will no longer assemble on the yard before school. Children must be very punctual and only arrive at school at their designated time. They will enter their class immediately upon arrival. This procedure will be the same for wet days.

8.50am start/2.30pm finish: 6th, 2nd, 3rd, Junior Infants

(Junior Infants will finish at 12pm until September 9th and 1.30pm from Thursday September 10th)

9.00am start/2.40pm finish: 5th/4th/1st/Senior Infants

(Senior Infants will finish at 1.40pm)

Children in Class 7+8 will arrive at varying times due to transport

New Home Time Procedures

Parents will assemble on the yard in designated areas (which will be signposted). Please respect social distancing guidelines when collecting your children and exiting the school grounds. Children will be brought out to the yard by their teacher at their designated home time. Children and parents are asked to leave the grounds promptly at this time.

New Entrance Points for Classes

All entrances will be clearly labelled. Classes must enter and exit the building at their designated entrance. Please see the map attached for these new entrance points.

Entrance 1	5th class Class 7 Class 8
Entrance 2	6th Class
Entrance 3	Junior Infants Senior Infants
Entrance 4	4th Class
Entrance 5	1st Class 2nd Class
Entrance 6	3rd Class
Entrance 7	Main Entrance/Office

Hygiene and Cleaning

- Sanitiser dispensers have been installed throughout the school e.g. at each entrance, at photocopiers and in each classroom and support room.
- Warm water and soap is available at every sink in the class toilets, and in the staff toilets and in the staff room.
- A paper towel dispenser and bin are in all toilets.
- Additional outdoor sinks have been installed on the school grounds.



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-Hand hygiene will be promoted and encouraged, and parents/guardians are asked to support the school in reinforcing this message.

-In accordance with the DES guidelines, the school will be thoroughly cleaned at least once per day. Particular attention will be focused on frequently touched surfaces – door handles, handrails, chairs/arm rests, communal eating areas, sink and toilet facilities.

-All staff will have access to cleaning products and will be required to maintain cleanliness of their own work area. Staff should thoroughly clean and disinfect their work area before and after use each day.

-Funding has been granted by the DES to ensure additional thorough cleaning is done each day.

Personal Protective Equipment

Primary school children are not required to wear face coverings in school.

All staff have been provided with visors and where a distance of 2m cannot be maintained a face mask will be worn.

Disposable gloves and masks have been provided for administering first-aid and for staff looking after a pupil's intimate care needs.

Disposable PPE will be provided to visitors where necessary.

Lunches

Children will have two lunch breaks as before. Children will bring home all waste, so please try to limit the amount of packaging/plastic/wrappers in lunch boxes. (It might be advisable to provide an additional box for waste.)

Children may not share lunches or drinks with their classmates.

Books and materials

Children will store their own books, copies, pencil cases and folders in an individual box. This is to avoid children touching each other's possessions to hand them out and collect them. Children will be responsible for their own materials as sharing of materials won't be allowed.

Staggered Yard Breaks

Classes will go to the yard for two 20 minute breaks each day. Classes will go to the yard with one other class (Junior + Senior Infants, 1st+2nd etc). Each class will have a designated area to play in for the duration of the break and mixing with other classes will not be allowed. Areas will be rotated so children will have a variety of play areas.

Online Payments

Online payments can be made via the Aladdin Connect App to minimise the amount of cash that needs to be handled. Parents/Guardians are asked to co-operate in helping to keep school staff safe by arranging for contactless payments through this system.

Photocopying

Hand sanitiser is in place at each photocopier and should be used before and after using the machines.

ICT

A timetable will be drawn up for the use of iPads. These devices will be cleaned after use and before they are returned to the charging trolley.

SET

Special Education Teachers have been assigned to two classes each. When moving between classes, it is essential that sanitising routines are observed.

Where a SET teacher is working alongside a class teacher in a classroom, both teachers must be mindful of maintaining social distance from one another.

The tables and chairs in SET rooms will be wiped clean in between different pupils or small groups attending. SNAs also



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support pupils in two classes and will adhere to the required sanitising routines when moving between rooms. Additional PPE will be required where SNAs are involved with personal care for individual pupils.

Teacher Absence and Substitution

Where a teacher is absent, every effort will be made to employ a substitute teacher for the class following the recent DES guidelines for substitution. If a substitute teacher is not available, it will no longer be possible to divide the children into groups and place them in other classes. For this reason, it may not be possible for the class to attend on that day. Parents will be notified as soon as possible if such a situation arises.

https://www.education.ie/en/Circulars-and-Forms/Active-Circulars/cl0045_2020.pdf

PE

The school hall is now the 6th Class classroom and so P.E will no longer be possible indoors. We are fortunate to have so much outdoor space so PE will take place outdoors. The use of any equipment will be closely monitored and wiped after use if being shared with another class.

Unfortunately swimming will not go ahead at the moment. This will be reviewed later in the year.

Library

Visits to Ballywaltrim library will not go ahead at the moment. This will be reviewed later in the year.

Dealing with a Suspected Case of Covid-19

Pupils and staff should not attend school if displaying any symptoms of Covid-19. If a pupil displays symptoms of Covid-19 while in school, the following procedures will be followed.

- Parents/Guardians will be contacted immediately to arrange prompt collection of their child.
- The child will be accompanied to the designated Isolation Area following the isolation route which entails leaving their class area via the nearest external exit and entering the Isolation Area via the main front door.
- The staff member accompanying the child will maintain a 2m physical distance and ensure others do likewise.
- If a distance of 2m cannot be maintained disposable PPE will be provided for both the child and staff member.
- Parent/Guardians should contact their GP and follow HSE guidelines
- The Isolation Area and classroom will be ventilated and cleaned thoroughly.

Children Who Should Not Attend School

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 results of the test are pending
- Children displaying symptoms of Covid 19. See list below.
- Children who have been in close contact with a person with a suspected case of Covid-19 and the results of the test are pending
- Children who have an underlying health condition and have been directed by a medical professional not to attend school
- Children who have returned to Ireland from non green list countries must follow guidelines and quarantine for 14 days.
- Children who are generally unwell.



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Symptoms of Covid-19

Common symptoms listed by the HSE <https://www2.hse.ie/conditions/coronavirus/symptoms.html>

-A fever (temperature of 38C or higher)

-A cough

-Shortness of breath

-Loss or change to your sense of smell or taste – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal