

25 August 2021

Dear Parents/Guardians of Junior Infants,

The big day is almost here and I hope that you, your families and, in particular, the boys are excited about the adventures ahead.

Some last minute practical things:

1. As mentioned on Class Dojo (a few still to sign up!!), your son can wear his **tracksuit** on the first day of school as Wednesday is usually a tracksuit day. Mon, Weds & Fri are tracksuit days and Tuesdays & Thursdays are the grey uniform. Please have all coats and jumpers labelled.
2. Refamiliarise yourself with our [Return To School Summary](#) for Parents by clicking on the link. Your son brings his **schoolbag & a smaller lunch and water bottle for the first two weeks** (you can put more in the lunchbox when he starts his full day).
3. **All school books, pencil cases and stationery** should be brought in on the first day, but remember they will be kept in school. Please have **ALL** items clearly labelled.
4. Parents are asked to **wear a mask & maintain physical distance** when you are in and around the school grounds.

Coming to school on the first day -

Junior Infants begin school on Weds 1 September. To give you a bit of time with your son outside the school on the first day - to take pictures, hugs, high fives(!)etc - please do as follows:

Boys with surname A and B, come to the main door with their parent(s) at 9.45am

Boys with surname C to L, come to the main door with parents at 9.50am

Boys with surname M to Q, come to the main door with parents at 9.55am

Boys with surname R to S, come to the main door with parents at 10am

Boys with surname T to Z, come to the main door with parents at 10.05am.

Unfortunately, due to current restrictions, you cannot enter the school building. Ms Kelly, Ms Hayes and other staff members will bring the boys from the main door to their classroom (Room 1) after they sanitise their hands.

We'll post pictures of the first day on Class Dojo & will let you know via Dojo how the boys are getting on!

Coming to school from Thurs 2 September - Junior Infants attend anytime between **9.45 and 10am each morning and finish at 12pm.** The boys continue to enter by the main door and go to their classroom. You may bring your son as far as the door where he will be met by staff and escorted to the classroom.

From Weds 15 September 2021 - Junior Infants attend for the full day - **9.20am to 2pm.** At this stage, we ask that you let the boy enter the school on his own from the front gate. A staff member will be at the main door to guide him in.

Going home - From the first day onwards, Junior Infants will leave the school by the main door. Ms Kelly will bring the boys to the front door. We ask that you wait on the red dots that are on the pavement between the front gate and the main door. Your son will walk out to you when you get to the front of the line. Please let Ms Kelly know on Class Dojo if someone else will be collecting at home time.

We're really looking forward to welcoming the boys & hope that they will have a brilliant first year with us. We'll take good care of the boys and are very excited to get to know them. If you have any questions or need to speak with me, contact via email, Class Dojo or over the phone.

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