

Meánscoil Iognáid Rís Covid-19 Response Plan



A Roadmap for Parents, Guardians & Students

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School Contact/Enquiries

- Some of the ways in which parents and guardians visit/contact the school has now changed due to Covid-19. In order to keep Naas CBS a safe place for everyone we ask that if you need to contact the school please choose one of the following options:
 - Phone the school (045866402)
 - Email admin@naascbs.ie
 - Arrange an appointment to meet with a member of the Management team, Guidance team, Year Head etc.
- Any items which need to be dropped to the school must be left outside the hatch door at the enquiries office.



Health & Safety

- In order to maintain good hygiene etiquette in Naas CBS over 80 hand sanitiser dispenser units have been placed around the school building.
- We encourage that every student also carry their own personal hand sanitiser with them.
- Students and staff should perform hand hygiene:
 - on arrival at school
 - before eating or drinking
 - after using the toilet
 - after playing outdoors
 - when their hands are physically dirty
 - when they cough or sneeze



Masks

- Cloth face coverings act as a barrier to help prevent respiratory droplets from travelling into the air and onto other people when the person wearing the face covering coughs, sneezes, talks or raises their voice.
- It is therefore a requirement that teachers, staff and students attending post primary schools wear a face covering when a physical distance of 2metres from other staff or students cannot be maintained.
- All students must ensure that they are wearing a facemask when entering the building, moving throughout the building and in class where their desks are measured out at 1metre apart.
- If there is a reason why your son cannot wear a face mask we ask that you contact the school before classes resume next week.



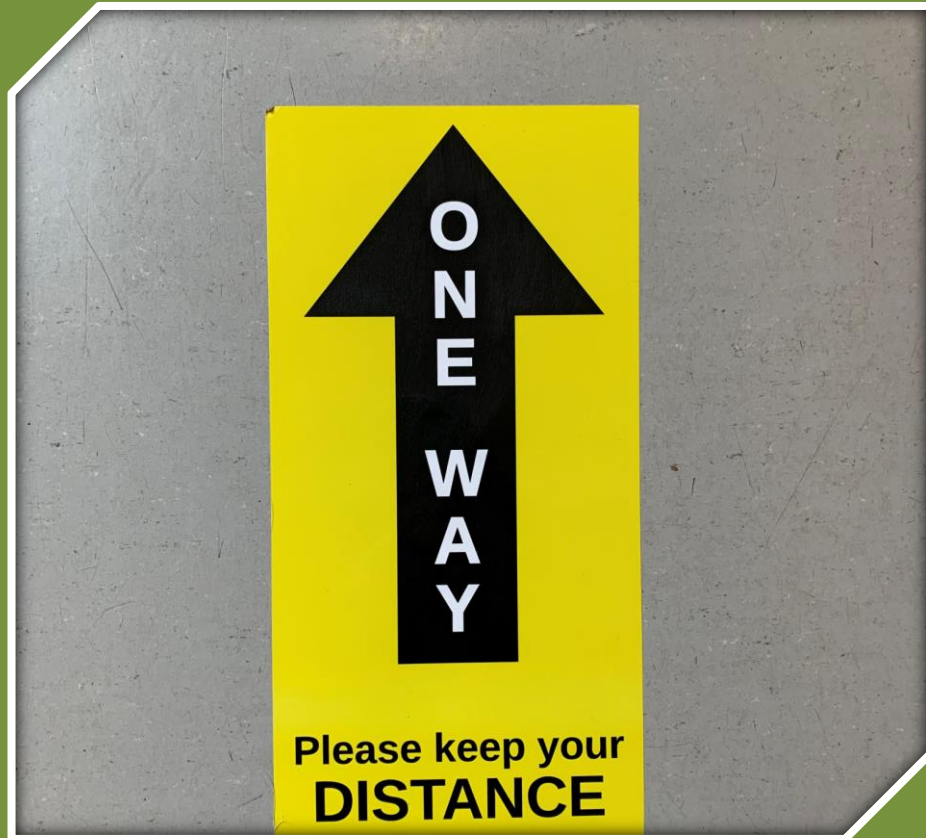
School drop off/collection

- Arrangements for dropping off/collecting students should be arranged to maintain physical distancing of 2 metres where possible.
- Walking or cycling to school should be encouraged as much as possible.
- Aim of any arrangements is to avoid congregation of people at the school gates where physical distancing requirements may not be respected.
- Students must head straight to their first classroom for the 9.00am class once they enter the building to avoid any congregating in the corridors.



Movement within the building

- A one-way system is now in place in our school to help maintain the safe movement of staff and students around the building.
- All students will be shown this new system on their first day back in the school. Over 120 arrows are mapped out on the ground and will act as a clear guide to everyone in the building.



One-way system

Break times & Lunchtime

Break times will be staggered for each year group to help maintain social distancing and avoid congestion.

Weather permitting all students will be brought outside for break time. Where this is not possible students must remain in the classroom.

At lunchtime all students except 1st Years will be encouraged to leave the building. Lunchtime activities will be organised and the assembly area available to 1st Year students only.



Uniforms

- Full school uniform is required from all students when we return back to school next week.
- We wish to remind you that all students must wear plain black shoes (no visible branding), a plain blue shirt, grey slacks (no track suits allowed) and the school tie every day.
- As the school building will be well-ventilated going forward (classroom doors and windows continuously left open) we will permit students to wear a jacket in addition to the school uniform. The jacket will be carried from class to class with the student. It is very important that both parents and students are aware that the addition of a jacket does not excuse any student from not being in full uniform every day.



Lockers

- In order to maintain social distancing and avoid congestion in the locker areas, lockers will be out of use for the start of the school year.
- We will monitor the possibility of future locker use for students over the coming weeks.
- For the moment we ask that students only carry necessary materials with them as they move around the building.
- We will be working with staff to ensure that the least possible materials be required for each class. This will be communicated to each class next week.
- No materials are required on the first day back for each year group.



Canteen facilities



- In order to maintain social distancing and avoid congestion, the school canteen will not be in operation when the school term begins. We will monitor this over the coming weeks.
- The water fountains are also out of use.
- Students must bring a drinks bottle and food to school with them as students are not permitted to go to the shop during break time.
- We encourage all students, except 1st Years, to go out for their lunch or home (where possible) during lunchtime. 1st Years must ensure that they bring their lunch with them.

We look forward to meeting all our students next week and welcoming you back to school

- Monday 31st August - Incoming 1st Year Students (9.00am – 1.10pm)
- Tuesday 1st Sept – 6th Year Students (9.00am – 1.10pm)
- Wednesday 2nd Sept - 3rd Year Students (9.00am – 1.10pm)
- Thursday 3rd Sept - 5th Year Students (9.00am – 1.10pm)
- Friday 4th Sept - 2nd Year Students (9.00am – 1.10pm)
- Monday 7th Sept - 4th Year Students (further information to follow)

