



## Junior Infants 2020

Dear Parents / Guardians,

We hope this letter finds you well and that you are enjoying the last two weeks before we begin the new school year. We are all very excited and looking forward to meeting you and your children. We are writing to inform you of some important information regarding your child starting school as we want to make to make this new beginning safe, comfortable and enjoyable for everyone.

We will be holding our **Junior Infant Induction Day on Monday the 24th of August**. This is to allow you and your child to come to the school, meet the Junior Infant teacher, see the classroom and **drop off your child's school books and supplies**. On this day there will be no other children in the school. It will allow the children an opportunity to come to school in a calm setting without the hustle and bustle of a school day. **We have divided the day into 15 minute slots. It is important that you stick rigidly to your allotted times to facilitate cleaning between appointments**. Unfortunately, we can only invite one parent to attend with each child to adhere to social distancing guidelines. Please enter through the main entrance door and bring your child's school books and pencil case on this day. We are very excited to meet all the boys and girls and feel that this day will benefit them as they begin their school journey.

**Junior Infants will begin school on Tuesday the 1<sup>st</sup> of September.** We decided to push back the start date so that, in these strange Covid times, your child's first day will be a calm and happy experience. By Tuesday, the other children, teachers and parents will be settled into their routines and hopefully, everything will be running smoothly. **On that day Junior Infants will start at 10am (Ms. McCormacks) and 10.15 am (Ms. Feehans).** This allows you to arrive a little later. All other children will have entered the building, thus creating a calm and quieter environment so that your child can enter without being overwhelmed.

Going forward your child will start at the same time as other children (see start times below) and will finish at 12.00 noon until Friday 11<sup>th</sup> Sept.

**From September 2<sup>nd</sup> onwards:**

We ask children to come in at staggered times depending on the initial letter of their surname.

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Surnames A -H	Surnames I - P	Surnames Q - Z
9:00am – 9.10 am	9:10am – 9.20 am	9:20am – 9.30am

We look forward to meeting you on Monday 24<sup>th</sup>.

Yours sincerely

Brendan Naughton

Principal