

Ballina Primary School

Summary for Parents- School Reopening Plan 31/08/2020

This is a short summary of our full Response Plan for easy reference.



School will begin at 9.00 am for all classes. Doors will open at 8:45am. No lining up in the yard in the mornings.

'Drop off' as follows:

Junior/ Senior Infants: dropped off to the Halla. Children will line up in their class groupings.

1st/2nd/3rd Classes: enter via the door beside the roundabout at the carpark and go directly to their classrooms.

4th/5th/6th: walk past the Halla, go around the back of the school and enter from the Infant yard via two doors.

"Pick up" as follows: (Parents wait outside the front wall)

Junior/ Senior Infants: as before exit by front door at **1:40pm** released one class at a time.

****1st, 2nd and 3rd** will exit via the main front door of the school at **2:30pm sharp** released one class at a time.**

4th,5th and 6th class will exit by main front door of the school from **2:40pm** released one class at a time.

Pupils are encouraged to walk to school as much as possible.



To pick up a child during school hours, please phone first.



There will be no access to the school for parents or visitors unless with a scheduled appointment.



All staff will complete COVID induction training.



As per current guidelines, staff will wear face coverings when 2m distancing is not possible.



Pupils and staff will wash their hands regularly, using proper technique. Everyone will use the hand sanitiser provided on entry and exit.

As per Department of Education guidelines there will be a focus on English, Gaelige, Maths, SPHE and PE as we return to school. The wellbeing of our school community is a priority as we settle back into school life. We hope to keep routines as normal as we can for all pupils while adhering to the guidelines provided under the Roadmap for Reopening Schools.



Pupils must be kept home with **high temperature, cough, breathing difficulties, sore throat or loss of taste or smell**. Pupils should also be kept home if generally unwell.



Pupils must stay home for 14 days after returning from a country not on the green list.



If showing symptoms, pupil will be isolated and parents called. Parents will contact GP.



School is divided into bubbles or classrooms. Classroom are further divided into pods (groups). Pods will be spaced at least 1m apart. Yards will be divided according to bubbles.



All pupils are asked to have their own pens, pencils, etc. Sharing of resources will be discouraged.



There will be an increased daily cleaning routine throughout the school.