



St. Colman's Primary School
and
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Progress Through Partnership, Leading To Excellence



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Dear Parents / Guardians

As we enter Blended Learning from today until Mid-Term Break Feb 12th 2021, it is important to note **ALL PRIMARY SCHOOL CLASSES HAVE BEEN USING SEESAW AND GOOGLE CLASSROOM SINCE SEPTEMBER 2020 AND WILL CONTINUE TO DO SO DURING THIS PERIOD OF BLENDED LEARNING.**

We recognise that some families have technology difficulties such as poor Internet connections or limited ICT devices. We understand the difficulties this can pose and as a result complimentary paper learning packs are being produced by the school. The booklets can be collected from the Front Carpark. One person from each family should collect the packs. Children should not be brought to the school. Social distancing (2M) should be maintained when entering the grounds. Please wear a face covering at all times.

**PACKS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR COLLECTION ON
MONDAY 11TH JANUARY BETWEEN 9:30 AND 1.30.**

Please observe the following protocol when coming to collect your children's work packs. These are in place to reflect best practice guidance in relation to the spread of the Coronavirus. If you are unable to pick up your pack, please arrange someone to do it for you.

Pick up times as follows:

Monday 11th January 2021

Nursery and P1- 9.30- 10.30

P2 and 3- 10.30-11.30

P4 and 5- 11.30-12.30

P6 and P7 12.30- 1.30

Times are staggered to ensure numbers visiting the school are kept to a minimum.



Please come to collect your pack at the time of your youngest child and pick up the packs for all of your children. Staff will hand the packs out from the front steps/school porch, no adults will be allowed entry to the school. Please bring an empty school bag or plastic bag.

We take this opportunity to remind everyone that social distancing is now the most sensible and responsible way to slow the spread of the Coronavirus. Even though your child or you may not be showing any signs/ symptoms, you may still be carrying the virus and risk infecting others including those more vulnerable than you.

Stay at Home and Stay Safe

Thank you for your continued support. Our children in St. Colman's Primary School and All Saints' Nursery Unit showed themselves to be an incredibly resilient group of children during the first lockdown. They inspired everyone in in September with their adaptability to new routines, new learning styles and the catch-up. The evidence from Term 1 shows us that us that they can and will do this again. Calm, cool heads and a measured approach from all of us means that together we can make this work. **Please do not feel overwhelmed or panicked.** Your child's teacher will guide and direct you through this as best they can. We know full well the situation that families will find themselves in over the coming weeks, so please don't add undue pressure onto yourselves.

The well-being of everyone is paramount. A strong home school partnership will, **together**, see our children through this.

Best wishes,

Mr K O'Neill

