

COVID – 19 rules in school



Please find below some measures that have been taken and procedures that will be put in place in our school:

A full list is available in the Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy.

- We have sanitising stations on entrance to the school and the various external classrooms. We will be encouraging pupils to use these stations and there are posters in every classroom reminding pupils of the importance of hand hygiene.
- A plumber has inspected all bathrooms and has made necessary repairs to ensure that there will always be hot water, soap and hand dryers available.
- Pupils will be instructed to move around the school in a particular direction to reduce pupil contact between classes and when moving to practical subjects.
- The school will be cleaned thoroughly each day and equipment used by pupils in practical subjects will be cleaned and sanitised. Door handles and light switches and surface areas regularly touched will be cleaned throughout the school day.
- All pupils will wear their full school uniform to school each day and with the removal of social distancing requirements, pupils will be able to get changed, as per normal practice, into their full PE uniform in the changing rooms before and following PE lessons.



- Face masks are mandatory in public areas and must be worn in school. We would however, ask that parents ensure that all masks are appropriate and the design is suitable for a classroom setting. Cloth masks will also need to be cleaned daily.
- Pupils must bring their own equipment to school, pens, pencils rulers etc. cannot be shared between pupils due to the risk of cross contamination. It is vitally important that parents/carers ensure that pupils have these
- We will ask all pupils to attend school with their own personal hand sanitiser which they can use throughout the school day.
- Pupils will not share textbooks and where pupils use textbooks in a particular class, the book will be for their sole use or will have undergone a period of sanitisation before next use.
- The school canteen will operate and hot meals will be available to pupils.

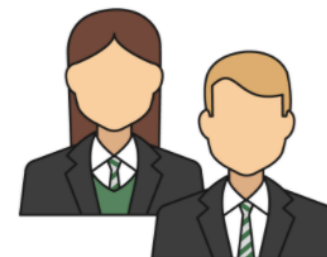
We have posters explaining the signs and symptoms of the Covid virus placed around the school. Where a pupil is suspected of having this, they will have their temperature checked using a digital thermometer and if there are continued concerns, they will be isolated and parents/carers contacted to come and collect their child.

Parents/Carers must not send any pupil to school where they display any signs or symptoms of Covid. We would ask parents to arrange a test for pupils suspected of having Covid and for pupils to return to school only after having confirmation that they do have this virus.

Child Protection & Safeguarding Policy



Summary version



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St Colmcille's High School seeks to promote a safe and secure environment in which pupils can learn and in which they feel supported.

We want every child to be safe in school and to achieve their very best.

We would like to remind all parents/carers that there is Child Protection Policy available which can be accessed via the school website. This also includes valuable information on COVID-19 safety regulations.

If you have any Child Protection issues please follow the diagram at the end of this leaflet which explains how you can raise a concern.



The School Aims

- Create a caring Christian relationship between staff and pupils and between the school and the community.
- Acknowledge the 'in loco parentis' position of all teachers,
- Provide a unified whole school approach for the development of the child as an individual,
- Develop and maintain an atmosphere of trust and mutual respect,
- Foster an atmosphere of trust in which individuals feel able to approach a sensitive and caring member of staff and be confident of an appropriate response,
- Equip our pupils with the skills they need for responsible parenthood,
- Help our pupils to be confident in coping effectively in a potential abuse situation.

School Safeguarding Team

Chair of the Board of Governors – Mr T Murphy

Designated Governor for Child Protection – Mrs P Murray

Principal – Mr S Hanna

Designated Teacher Mr D McVeigh

Deputy Designated Teachers Mr S Hanna (Principal), Mrs P Sloan (Vice- Principal)

How a Parent/Carer can make a Complaint

