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### **Return to School for Nursery & Primary 1 – 3**

Dear Parent/Carer,

Following the First Minister's announcement on 16<sup>th</sup> February we are very much looking forward to welcoming back our P1-3 pupils. This letter will outline our procedures to ensure a safe return to face-to-face teaching.

As we are still in National Lockdown we are required to make a few adaptations to how we operate the school day. It is imperative that we keep our children, families and staff as safe as possible. Therefore, we will operate a staggered entry/exit, the coloured zone system will still be in operation. I urge all parents/carers to adhere to Government Guidance by ensuring they adhere to social distancing when dropping off/picking up children. Face coverings must also be worn and as highlighted by First Minister parents should not socialise at the school gates.

#### **Primary 1- 3 Children**

We will operate a Soft Start for Primary 1 – 3. The children should arrive between 9 and 9.15.

Primary 1 & 2 should enter through the yellow zone. Primary 3 should enter through the blue zone

However, pupils will not line up, staff will be in the yard to direct the pupils into the building. We have video guides on our website to explain this.

At the end of the day, Primary 1 and Primary 2/1 will be dismissed from the Yellow Zone and NOT the main entrance at 2.50. We ask parents to wait at the stairs and the teachers will bring the children to you.

Primary 2 will be dismissed from the yellow zone at 3pm.

Primary 3 will be dismissed from the blue zone at 3pm. Thank you for your understanding and co-operation at this difficult time for us.

Mrs Oates



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