



## Summary Reopening Plan Parent Information

### St Tola's N.S.

- Symptoms of Covid 19.
  - ✓ High temperature
  - ✓ Cough
  - ✓ Shortness of breath or breathing difficulties
  - ✓ Loss of smell, of taste or distortion of taste
  
- Members of the school community who display symptoms of Covid-19 **MUST NOT ATTEND or VISIT OUR SCHOOL** and should immediately phone their doctor and follow HSE guidance on self-isolation
  
- Travel from abroad: if any pupil has travelled to a country not on the Green List they should not attend school until 14 days after their return, as passengers from any location not on this list are asked by the government to restrict their movements for 14 days.
  
- Any pupil presenting with symptoms of Covid 19 will be immediately isolated and a parent called to collect the pupil.
  
- Visits to the school by all persons other than staff and pupils will be by appointment only. Appointments must be arranged in advance through the school office, by phone on 061 362894 or by email at [office@tolasns.com](mailto:office@tolasns.com). The only entry to the school for adults is through the main door beside secretary's office where you must ring the bell for access.
  
- No parents are allowed into school building with the exception of Junior Infant parents on Wed Aug 26<sup>th</sup> or pupils with Special Education Needs as directed by the school.
  
- Parents/visitors who have arranged to come into the school must wear a face covering
  
  
- All visitors to the school must fill in a Contact Tracing Log
  
- Entry and Exit of Classrooms:
  - ✓ 6<sup>th</sup> - enter and exit via door in 6<sup>th</sup> class room
  - ✓ 5<sup>th</sup>- enter and exit via door in 5<sup>th</sup> class room
  - ✓ 4<sup>th</sup> – enter and exit via door in 4<sup>th</sup> class lobby
  - ✓ 3<sup>rd</sup> ( Ms Connolly) – enter and exit via playschool door and enter building via infant lobby



- ✓ 3<sup>rd</sup>( Ms Brady) – enter and exit via back gate and door into 1<sup>st</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> lobby
- ✓ 2<sup>nd</sup> – enter and exit via door beside Senior Infant classroom. Progress to 2<sup>nd</sup> room via Senior Infant room along marked walkways
- ✓ 1<sup>st</sup>- enter and exit via back gate and enter via 3<sup>rd</sup>/1<sup>st</sup> lobby
- ✓ Senior Infants – enter and exit via door beside room Walk around the path on the side of 6<sup>th</sup>
- ✓ Junior Infants – enter and exit via back gate and infant lobby

**Please note that pupils are asked not to arrive on school grounds before 8.45a.m. as the school will NOT be open until 8.45a.m.**

- Dispersal times:

All classes from 1<sup>st</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> will finish at 2.40p.m. All classes exit via doors as above. Parents/guardians must practise social distancing while in the yard

**Please do not delay at this busy time for traffic in the evening, collect your child and depart promptly**

- No pupil is allowed in the corridors of the building unaccompanied by a teacher or SNA.
- Parents must make sure that children bring their lunches to school to avoid adults having to come to the school during the day. Please remind your children not to share their food or drinks with other children.
- Please make sure your child is self-sufficient. ie. they can open/peel any lunch/drink you pack for them. Please pay particular attention to any drinks that require a straw.
- Pupils should have a separate pencil case for use at home that won't come into school and another one for school that won't be brought home. Pupils may bring schoolbags but please ensure that they are cleaned regularly with a sanitised wipe.
- Please make sure pupils have enough drinks to last them throughout the day as we will not be in a position to refill drinks bottles.
- Classes are now called Bubbles and these are subdivided into pods (max 6 pupils) Social distancing within bubbles is not required in infants- 2<sup>nd</sup> but is required from 3<sup>rd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup>
- Classes (Bubbles) may not mix with each other on the yard, but pupils from different pods within the class may play together on the yard.



- We will not be in a position to allow homework club to continue at present as pupils from various bubbles/Classes attend. We will monitor this and once the health guidelines allow we will restart homework club.
- No footballs/basketballs/hurleys etc are allowed in school and no ball games will be allowed before, during or after school.
- Break times/Yards

Break Times have been staggered with every class(bubble) having their own designated space on the yard

- ✓ Group A break times: Sos 10.30-10.40a.m. Lón 12.00 – 12.30
- ✓ Group B break times: Sos 10.50 – 11.00 Lón 12.40 – 1.10

Yards:

Infants have the inside yard and only one infant class will use this at any break  
1<sup>st</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> classes will be scheduled between the front yards and astro turf with a designated areas for each class on yard

- Teachers will reintroduce homework assignments gradually once we return. Pupils from 1<sup>st</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> classes will need two homework copies. All homework will go into one copy on week 1. The teacher will collect on Friday and quarantine before correcting homework. On week 2 the pupils use their second homework copy.
- As per DES guidelines all staff must wear face coverings if they cannot maintain a distance of 2m from pupils. Staff may decide to wear face coverings or visors.
- Pupils are not required to wear face coverings but can do so if they wish.
- An isolation room has been created in Room 14 off the hall. If staff or pupils develop COVID like symptoms they will be accompanied to the isolation room and parents will be called to collect as soon as possible. Please ensure your contact details are up to date. This can be done through the office via phone or email.