



St. Anthony's Primary School
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20th August 2021

Dear Parents,

I hope you have all had a relaxing summer break and that your child is looking forward to returning to school. The safety and wellbeing of our pupils will always be our first priority and we want to ensure that they are happy and settled on their return to school. As we prepare for the new school year, certain arrangements that were in place last year due to COVID restrictions will continue for the first few weeks of the new term. These will of course be reviewed on a regular basis and in line with any updated guidelines the school may receive from the Department of Education.

Your child's start date is listed below and this is the first day of their new school term.

Start of Term Date	Class Admission
From Tuesday 31 st August	Nursery*, P1*
*Please note that the individual start dates for Nursery and P1 pupils have previously been communicated to parents and these remain unchanged.	
Wednesday 1 st September	Primary 1*, P2, P3, P4, P5, P6, P7 & LSC 1 & 2 pupils

As a school we are very fortunate to have multiple points of entry, all pupils can access and exit the school safely and without congestion though an entry gate most convenient for parents and pupils.

- Entry to the school building will be restricted to pupils only.
- Parents will not be permitted to escort their child to their classroom.
- Nursery, Primary 1 and Primary 2 pupils will be greeted at their designated access point by the teacher or classroom assistant.
- Primary 3 pupils will access the school via Door A and are to go directly to their classroom. Staff will be stationed at Door A to meet and escort pupils to the class.
- Primary 4 – 7 pupils are required to enter the grounds on their own. Parents can leave their children at the gate but will not be permitted to enter the school.
- LSC & ARP 1 pupils are now to be escorted by parents to their designated class collection point and will be greeted by a teacher or classroom assistant.
- Entry gates to the school and school pitch gates will be closed at 9.10am.



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In order to help you and your child prepare for returning to school, please note Access points/
Collection points for your child's class

Class	Class Access	Collection Point
N1 Mrs L Frater	Nursery main door	Nursery main door
N2 Mrs G Vassallo	Nursery gate 1	Nursery gate 1
N3 Mrs P McCartan	Mobile	Mobile
P1 Mrs L Hughes	Door J	Door J
P1 Miss A Doyle	Door J	Door J
P1 Mrs S McConville	P1 Resource area gate	P1 Resource area gate
ARP 1 Mrs G Vassallo	P1 Resource area gate	P1 Resource area gate
P2 Miss R Taggart	P2 Resource area gate	P2 Resource area gate
P2 Miss M Lawson	P2 Resource area gate	P2 Resource area gate
P2 Miss T Brennan	Door D	Door D
P3 Mr S Finnegan	Door A	Door A
P3 Mrs S Boyle	Door A	Door A
P3 Mrs J Walsh	Door A	Door A
P4 Mr C McCavigan	Pitch – school side	School pitch gates
P4 Mrs H McAllister	Pitch – school side	School pitch gates
P4 Mrs N McGeown	Pitch – school side	School pitch gates
P5 Mrs E Robinson	Pitch – road side	Any agreed exit gate
P5 Mrs F McCann	Pitch – road side	Any agreed exit gate
P5 Mr P McAnallen	Pitch – road side	Any agreed exit gate
P6 Mrs N O'Keefe	Pitch – MUGA	Any agreed exit gate
P6 Miss S Doran	Pitch – MUGA	Any agreed exit gate
P6 Mr J McCormack	Pitch – MUGA	Any agreed exit gate
P7 Mr S Scullion	Pitch – Basketball	Any agreed exit gate
P7 Mrs M Lavery	Pitch - Basketball	Any agreed exit gate
P7 Miss N Ganley	Pitch – Basketball	Any agreed exit gate
LSC1 Ms C McCusker	Door F	Door F
LSC2 Mrs L Fleming	Door F	Door F
ARP 2 Mrs N Inglis	Door E	Door E



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The following additional procedures will also continue:

- Parents/ carers who are dropping off or collecting children are asked not to gather together and should maintain social distancing of 2 metres. For those parents who will be entering the school grounds, Face Masks are to continue to be worn.
- Crossing patrol will now be stationed at the gates onto the school pitch both in the morning and afternoon.
- For pupils in P4-P7, staff will be supervising the school pitch area from 8.45am each morning. Teachers will collect their class at 9.05am and escort them to the classroom.
- If you are arriving late to school after 9.15am, the only access will be via **Gate 5** at the Zebra Crossing.
- If you need to collect a child during the school day, access will only be through **Gate 5**. The gate will be closed and you must phone the school office for entry.
- Breakfast Club will be available for all pupils from 1st September from 8.00am in the Dining Hall.
- Full school uniform is required for all pupils. Please ensure that your child has a waterproof coat.
- School bags will now be permitted for the start of the new school year.
- Pupils are to continue to bring water bottles for their own personal use. Snack and lunches are to be in either a hard plastic container or plastic bag.
- Free school meals will commence for those eligible from Wednesday 1st September.
- Each classroom door has a Hand Sanitiser Station as well as provision for regular hand washing.

It is essential that as a school community that we all adhere vigourously to Public Health advice. If your child or a member of your household display any COVID-19 symptoms please do not send your child to school. If your child tests positive for COVID-19 it is of paramount importance that you inform the school as a matter of urgency.

The safety and well being of our pupils and school community is paramount and all of the above measurements will be regularly reviewed and updated in accordance with Department of Education.

If you have any queries, or wish to discuss any matter further, please feel free to contact the school.

Your sincerely,

Mr P Mallon
Principal.