

Inver N.S. Back to School

Our main aim is to prevent the risk of infection coming in to school and we can not do this without your help!

YOU SHOULD NOT, UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES, SEND YOUR CHILD TO SCHOOL IF THEY HAVE A TEMPERATURE, A COUGH OF ANY KIND, LOSS OF SMELL/TASTE OR HAVE ANY KIND OF SHORTNESS OF BREATH.

If you are in any doubt whether you should send your child to school or not, please err on the side of caution.

Measures to keep your child safe:

- The school day will continue to start at 9:20 but we request all families to be present outside school grounds by 9.10am each morning. We ask parents to accompany their child(ren) to the school gate in an orderly fashion where their child will WALK to their teacher on yard. All teachers will be present on yard at 9.10am.

- At collection we ask parents with surnames from **A-H** to come to the **school gate** (not the wall as before) at 2.50pm to collect their child. All other families please come to gate at 3pm. Parents of Junior and Senior infants collect at the **gate** at 2pm.

- Throughout the school there are hand sanitizers provided which children and staff are required to use upon entering and exiting classrooms as well as before and after lunch and certain activities. **No personal hand sanitizers to be brought into school please.**

- Classes will be confined to mixing with their own room group only. This includes break time and unfortunately no whole school activities will take place.

- Within each class, the children will be grouped into pods which will be distanced from each other as much as classroom space allows.

- Children from 2nd class will be required to use their own resources where possible ie pencils, erasers, rulers, scissors etc and .Children in Junior room will be provided with resources needed.

- Staff will maintain a regular cleaning routine of all resources and materials that will be used by different pods or classes. No materials (games, maths manipulatives) will be shared between pods without disinfection first. The school will be cleaned by our cleaners, following all government guidelines, advise and checklists, every day. Staff will follow Dept. ventilation guidelines.

- If your child becomes ill in school with any of the symptoms of covid-19, they will be cared for in sick bay where they will remain until they are collected. They must be collected as soon as possible.

Please ensure that your contact details are up to date and provide an emergency contact also. How can you help?

***Take your child's temperature before coming to school and ensure their hands are clean •**

Do not enter the school grounds, unless prior permission to do so has been granted by the principal .Communicate with your child's teacher via their personal school email only.

diane@inverns.org deborah@inverns.org lorraine@inverns.org lisa@inverns.org • When sending back forms/money, please use a sealed envelope with child's name and post into new post box at front of school . (accessible from outside wall) **Thank You.**