

Nuachtlitir Scoil Bhríde

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Nóta ón bPríomhoide

A thuistí, we hope that everyone had a lovely break during the mid-term and that the children are enjoying Halloween. We have made a video of our own Halloween walk and the beautiful colourful pumpkins, it can be seen on Facebook.

As per our recent text a plumbing difficulty presented itself on Thursday. We have been assessing the situation since then and the Board of Management, with the support of the Department of Education, our insurers Allianz and the Patron have advised that the children are to be relocated to temporary accommodation while the repair works take place.

We ask you to focus on the recovery plan and return to school Monday with no loss of days and the adventure we will embrace as we return to school for the coming weeks.

A spacious area both inside and outside has been secured by the BOM with the approval and support of the above parties. All classes, Naí Bheaga to Rang 6 will be located in the Killanin Stand of Ballybrit racecourse from Monday onwards until the school works are completed. New classrooms with spectacular views of Galway are being laid out.

Dataí le teacht/ Upcoming Dates

Saoire na Nollaig / Christmas Holidays

22/12/2020-6/1/2020

Briseadh Lár Téarma/February Mid-

term 1

15/02/2021-19/02/2021



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Our staff have met to discuss the needs of the move and equipment necessary to continue teaching and learning in our new environment. The space allocated to each class is impressively large, bright, warm and clean with 2 classes and a learning support teacher to be located on each floor. We might actually find it hard to return to our own building!

Since our return to school in September we have worked very hard to ensure the children returned to school life feeling secure and happy and safe. We are really depending on your positive attitude towards this turn of events to explain to your child that their day will still be filled with fun and activities that they enjoy and it is only the venue that's changed. With your help we can make this an exciting adventure that we will look back on with fond and different memories.

Our covid protocol and procedures will be as carefully managed as always, hand sanitizing and washing of hands on a regular basis and of course daily walks and plenty fresh air while the weather allows. We will continue to avoid cross over of class bubbles. Rang a 3 will continue to be brought together for the outdoor breaks.

Being in such a large building that is designed to handle large crowds, we are blessed with many different entry/exit points. As such, and for the duration of our stay in Ballybrit, we are in a position to remove the staggered timetable and revert to the normal school start time of 08.50, infants home at 1.30 and the rest of the school home at 2.30.

We will make this an exciting experience for the children and if you can help at all with our move you can contact us/or call Quentin (chairperson of our Cairde Scoil Bhríde/PA) on 0879801217.

We thank you in advance for your understanding. We know this change will involve some disruption and planning to your morning/afternoon. We look forward to seeing you all Monday morning at our new venue where drop off and pick up will be clearly marked.

Míle buíochas Le meas,

Traffic Management / Morning Drop Offs/Afternoon Pick-ups

The area around the Killanin Stand is quite big and the flow of traffic has been organised with cones. Parents can access the racecourse via the Parkmore entrance and follow the signage which will take you as close as possible to the main entrance. The children can be dropped off from 8.40 onwards and will join a line with their class. We will send you more detailed photos/maps tomorrow evening.

Bus Eireann

The children who avail of the bus service will be picked up as normal and be taken to Ballybrit racecourse.They will be collected after school at the normal times.

What will my child need each day in school?

Your child will need their lunchbox, a coat, hat, scarf and a pair of runners. We hope to enjoy many walks and runs on the track. We will also avail of the outdoor stand seating for classes outdoors (weather pending). Everything else that your child needs daily is being moved from the school and will be in place for them on Monday.





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