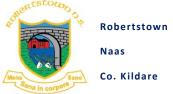
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1st of September 2020

Dear Parents,

The school year has started with a wonderful sense of excitement. Everyone is adhering to all the procedures and protocols and this is helping to provide a sense of security in the school. It is understandable that parents, children and staff would have some anxiety about returning to school after such a length away from the building.

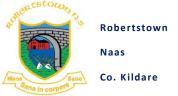
## To continue to keep all members of our school community safe we ask all parents to remember and comply with the following rules:

- Children are not allowed on the school grounds before 8.40am
- Children should enter school grounds between 8.40-8.55am and proceed directly to class.
- Parents should drop and go- please do not hang around the front of the school to chat.
- Parents are not permitted inside the school without appointment which is approved by the principal.
- When pupils from Junior and Senior Infants leave at 1.35pm, they are not permitted back on school grounds. Parents should collect children and move off to leave parking space for parents collecting at 2.20pm
- Pupils leaving at 2.20pm need to go straight home. Parents should vacate the front of the school immediately to make room for parents arriving for 2.35pm collection.
- Parents collecting at 2.35pm are asked not to arrive at the school before
   2.30pm

We need all parents to comply with these procedures for the safety of all.

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All children need a **face cloth to dry their hands after washing**. Please change this cloth daily. We are encouraging children to get into the habit of putting a fresh cloth in a zip lock bag into their school bag with their lunch each morning.

Windows will be left open in each class for ventilation going forward. As the weather gets cooler **children may wear an extra layer under their uniform/tracksuit.** 

The children are all so happy to be back with their friends. Our aim and primary focus for September is to settle all children back into the routine of school life and to get used of the new changes. As directed by the Department of Education, wellbeing is a daily topic in all classes along with the daily P.E. sessions.

I would like to thank everybody that helped get school ready to reopen. Extensive structural work was completed within the school along with much planning and ordering of new materials.

Thank you to all the teachers who prepared so meticulously to secure a smooth and safe transition back to school for all children. I have to give a special thanks to our most dedicated caretaker John, who worked tirelessly over the summer to have the building ready to reopen.

Now we all need to work together to keep our school safe.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

Marion Sherlock

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