

Dear Parents,

We welcome back all the children and families back to Solas Chríost National School on Tuesday 31st August 2021. Details about the children's return are detailed in the attached document SCNS **Return to School Protocols**. This document provides the following information for parents, children and staff in relation to starting back at school.

Information for Parents:

- Dept. of Education Posters for Parents re returning to school in September 2021 - click [here](#)
- Video for parents of children in Junior Infants - https://youtu.be/UomH_vakjDI
- Video for parents of children Senior Infants – RII - <https://youtu.be/4smnni5jpGI>
- Video for parents of children RIII – RVI - <https://youtu.be/97nErW1-0YU>
- A Parent's Guide to Close Contacts – click [here](#)
- Multi-lingual advice for parents – click [here](#)
- DES letter re school transport for parents – click [here](#)

Reminders for Parents:

- Children starting in **Junior Infants** will finish school at **11:15am for the first week**.
- Do not congregate at or near school during drop off and collection times
- Communication with the school must take place by phone or online
- School policy in relation to children with symptoms of COVID-19. Do not to send children to school if they are:
 - close contacts of a person with COVID-19
 - are awaiting a test
 - are experiencing symptoms of COVID-19
 - if they live with someone who has symptoms of the virus
 - if they have travelled outside of Ireland (see latest Govt. advice – click [here](#))

Please visit the school's **website** www.solaschriost.ie to view the following documents:

- SCNS Covid-19 Response Plan August 2021
- SCNS Covid-19 Policy Statement
- SCNS Covid-19 Risk Assessment
- Book Lists
- School Calendar

We are looking forward to all children returning to school over the next few weeks.

Sincerely,

Edward Kelly
Principal

The following websites provide further information on COVID-19 and on government advice and recommendations regarding the re-opening of schools: -

- <https://www.education.ie/en/covid-19/>
- <https://www2.hse.ie/coronavirus/>
- <https://www.gov.ie/en/campaigns/a128d-back-to-school/?referrer=http://www.gov.ie/backtoschool/>