

BREADY JUBILEE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Guardian

As communicated in my last email, there remained uncertainty regarding the DE's planned phashed reopening of schools. It now appears that they are sticking with their original plans made on Thursday 18th February. This means that we will welcome P1 - P3 back on the 8th March for a period of two weeks before returning to remote learning for 1 week from the 22nd March. As of now, we still have no confirmation on when P4- P7 will return but I would hope that it will be soon after the Easter break. Please refer to the table below for key dates on our school reopening.

Key Dates	Arrangements
22nd February - 5th March 2021	 All pupils taught remotely via Google Classroom or Seesaw School remains open for the children of key workers
8th March- 19th March (excluding 17th March when school will close for St Patrick's Day)	 P1- 3 to return to school (9am- 2pm) P4-7 taught remotely via Google Classroom or Seesaw School remains open for the children of key workers
22nd March- 26th March (School closing at 12pm on Friday 26th March)	 All pupils taught remotely via Google Classroom or Seesaw School remains open for the children of key workers
29th March- 9th April	- School closed for Easter Holidays
12th April	- School reopens for Term 3 with arrangements communicated at a later date after DE announcements

Supervised Learning

Supervised learning will still be available for those parents who are employed as key workers defined by DE. However with P1- 3 going back to face to face teaching, this has an impact on the number of staff in school that will be able to provide supervision for these children. We have seen a steady increase in the numbers of children registering for supervised learning. I ask parents to once again use supervised learning only when all other safe options have been exhausted. As usual, form will be shared each Wednesday and will close at 12pm on Thursday. Any requests for supervision after this time will not be considered.

School Day

The school day for all children will begin at 9:15am with children allowed to enter the school building from 9am. For those children in P1-3, the school day will end each day at 2pm. I acknowledge that this is a change of time to that from before Christmas for our P3 children but we are expecting a return to school after a long period off exhausting for our children. Once we get back to normality, this time will be looked at again. For those children enrolled in supervised learning the school day will end at 3pm. However if you are collecting a child in P1-3 at 2pm and have a child in P4-7 registered in supervised learning, you will also be expected to take that child home at 2pm.

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On arrival at school P1-3 children should use their normal classroom entrance. All children registered for supervised learning should enter via the P5/6 & P6/7 entrance at the back of the school. As directed by DE there will be no breakfast club.

School Lunches

For P1-3 there will be an option for the children to have a school lunch. To avoid wastage, for this two week period we ask that if your child requires a school lunch these are pre-ordered using a similar system as to what was used in Term 1 of this year. A menu will be sent via the school on Thursday of this week and this must be brought to school on Monday (even if you child/children is only having lunch on the Friday) with the exact amount of money required. Those children registered for Supervised learning should continue to bring a packed lunch each day.

School Transport

School transport will be available for all children. We will apply on the behalf of children in supervised learning and the form for next week has been amended to reflect this.

School Uniform

Pupils in P1-3 will be expected to wear full school uniform on their return to school. Those children attending supervised learning should not wear school uniform.

Learning Packs P4-7

We ask that all pupils in P4-7 have a learning pack (including reading books) collected in school on Friday 5th March. Please stick to the timings below:

P4- 1pm **P5/6**- 1:15pm **P6/7**- 1:30pm

Parent/Teacher Meetings- Week beginning 22nd March

At this time of year we would usually be inviting parents into school for a conversation on progress and areas to work on. Of course this is not possible this year and with teachers having not seen the children in 6 weeks it would be very challenging for us to comment on progress. However we would still like to have an individual telephone conversation with parents at some point during this week. During this week there will be 2 days when there will be no work set on either Google Classroom or Seesaw- one day will be Thursday and the other day will depend on which class your child is in. We will communicate more details on this closer to the time.

Yours sincerely

Mr Bogle