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Dear Parent/Guardian,

In line with further guidance issued by the Education Minister this week pupils in P4-P7 will return to full-time face-to-face teaching from 22<sup>nd</sup> March. As a school community we are delighted to have all our pupils back with us on Monday.

School times for **all** pupils will be as follows:

**Arrival: 8.50 am – 9.10 am**

P1 – P3/R1 – R3	Entrance via front playground
P4/R4	Entrance via front playground
P5/6/7 and Rang 5/6/7	Entrance via back playground

**Finish Times:**

2.00pm: P1 – P3/R1 – R3	Exit via front playground
2.55pm: P4/P5 and R4	Exit via front playground
3.00pm: R5/6/7	Exit via front playground
3.00pm: P6/P7	Exit via back playground

School uniform should be worn by all pupils. A healthy breacktime snack should be brought as usual. School meals will be provided for all pupils wishing to avail of our canteen service. From **Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> March** until the **Easter break** parents who wish their child to receive a hot meal should send payment into school in an envelope clearly marked with the **child's name, class, the amount and the days they are attending**. It is our intention to implement our new cashless payment system after the Easter break.

We appreciate that the past few months have been challenging for everyone and we would like to acknowledge the tremendous efforts of all our pupils and their families throughout this lockdown period. I also want to thank all our staff, teaching and non-teaching, for all their hard work, co-operation and support during this time.

In the interests of keeping everyone safe and in order to minimise the risk to our whole school community, we advise that you **do not send your child to school** if anyone in your household is showing symptoms or is in the process of being tested for Covid-19. We also ask for your co-operation in observing social distancing measures, particularly when dropping children off and collecting them from school.

Thank you for your continued support and understanding.

Yours sincerely

C. McCooe