



**Tuesday, 18 August 2020**

Dear Parents,

We want to give you as much information as we can regarding what the new school day will look like.

School will open at the normal time of 8.45am on Tuesday ,1<sup>st</sup> September 2020.

Children will walk to their rooms upon arrival. Primaries one, two and three should enter via the left hand side pedestrian gate. Primaries 4 and 5 should enter school via the right hand side pedestrian gate and should then walk around the right side of the school to their rooms. Primaries 6 and 7 should enter via the left side 'delivery' gate and walk around the right side of school ( via kitchen ) to their rooms.

School will finish at 2.00pm for Primaries 1,2 and 3. Primaries 4 – 7 will finish in alphabetical order at either 2.50pm or 3.00pm according to the following:-

Surnames from A to Mc finish at 2.50pm.

Surnames from Mu to T finish at 3.00pm.

Parents are asked to socially distance outside the school gates. Parents are not allowed into school grounds unless they have a prior appointment in which case they should wear facemasks or shields. All adults should use hand sanitiser provided.

( It is recommended that children from different family 'bubbles' do not travel to/from school together).

No items should transfer from home to school to home again. Therefore :-

- Children should not take schoolbags to school nor any items of stationery.
- All lunches should be packed in disposable plastic bags ( no lunchboxes ) All items such as spoons , bottles etc. should be recyclable also. Initially, Dinners will only be available to those in receipt of free school meals, (which need to be applied for each year). This may change with time.
- Children should have their own pencils, erasers , rulers etc. at home. Any equipment needed in school will be provided by school and should remain in school. No books will go home.
- Any homework set will be through the use of electronic devices only. Weekly spellings will be uploaded to the school website.
- Children should wear full school uniform only to school.

- Parents who apply for free school meals can also apply for a grant to buy school uniform.
- Children must not wear any P.P.E. eg face masks.

Please be reminded that induction week ( Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> August – Friday 28<sup>th</sup> Aug ) remains as per letter dated 31<sup>st</sup> July ( see school website [www.jonesboroughps.com](http://www.jonesboroughps.com) or our school Facebook page).

Data Information Sheets must be completed by parents BEFORE children return to school so that we have contact information in case of an emergency. These Data forms can be accessed via the school website in Parent Area > 'School Letters' and should be returned via e-mail to the school secretary on [emurphy867@c2kni.net](mailto:emurphy867@c2kni.net) Unfortunately one form needs to be completed for each child. Should parents not have access to Microsoft Word then again please e-mail our school secretary for support. Children will NOT be permitted to attend school unless these 'Data Information' sheets are returned on/before Friday 28<sup>th</sup> August.

It is our aim that children will remain in class 'bubbles' throughout the school day. Classes are as follows :-

- Reception / Primary One ..... M Litter
- Primary Two / Three .....E Mc Court
- Primary Four/Five.....M Rigney
- Primary 6 .....A Balance
- Primary 7 .....D Keenan

These arrangements aim to ensure the wellbeing and safety of our children, staff and wider school community. We may not get everything right, we may make mistakes but if we all work together we hope that children will soon be back into the groove of being in school, where they belong, with their friends.

Yours sincerely



**Mr Donal Keenan**  
**PRINCIPAL**