



30/08/2022

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I hope you and your families have all had a restful and enjoyable summer and that your children are looking forward to returning to school.

Staggered start and finish times

To limit congestion in the car park, we have decided to retain our staggered start and finish times. See below for details of your child's times. Please note, as was the case last year, siblings are permitted to enter school together at their allocated time to allow parents to vacate the car park. Registration will close for all classes 10 minutes after their allocated start time. Children coming to school after this time will be marked as late. This will impact their overall attendance percentage.

Rang	Entrance	Start time	Pick up time
Rang 1	Main gate	8:30am	See induction info below
Rang 2/3	Main gate	8:25am	1:30pm
Rang 4/5	Main gate	8:35am	2:30pm
Rang 6/7	Rang 6/7 gate	8:40am	2:35pm

Induction for Rang 1 children will work as follows:

Week beginning Wednesday 31st August 2022 8.30am – 10.00am

No school dinners provided this week for Rang 1. Healthy snack required.

Week beginning Monday 5th September 8.30am – 11am

No school dinners provided this week for Rang 1. Healthy snack required.

Week beginning Monday 12th September 8.30am – 12noon

School dinners available from this week onwards.

Week beginning Monday 19th September 8.30am – 1.30pm

NOTE- Please provide a healthy snack (fruit/veg, small sandwich/yoghurt) and a bottle of water on a daily basis.

School dinners

School dinners will be provided in the dinner hall. Dinners cost £2.60 per meal and all meals should be paid for using our cashless payment system Parent Pay. Any new parents will receive information on registering for Parent Pay in the first few days back to school.

If you think you may be entitled to free school meals (FSM), please register with the Education Authority and apply at the link below. Please note that parents whose child/children were in receipt of FSM during the 2021/22 school year also need to apply for these children (as well as any additional children) for the 2022/23 school year. Any meals taken before confirmation of

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entitlement to FSM will be subject to a charge of £2.60 per meal. You can apply for FSMs and the Education Authority's uniform grant at the link below:

<https://freeschoolmealsanduniforms.eani.org.uk>

Breakfast club and After Schools Clubs

Our Breakfast club will commence on Monday, 5th September and After Schools Clubs will recommence on Monday 12th September. Breakfast club will run from 8:00am- 8:30am at a cost of £1 per day. After schools clubs will run Monday- Thursday at a cost of £1 per day. The timetable for After Schools activities will be released next week. Children in Rang 2/3 who use the school bus service will be supervised from 1:30pm-2:30pm from 1st September- 9th September. From Monday, 12th September, all children using the afterschool club will be charged £1 per day.

School bus service

Only those children eligible for EA's Transport Assistance who have received confirmation of this from the Education Authority are permitted to use our school bus service to and from school. If you have not yet registered and believe you may be eligible, please check your entitlement online using the link below:

<https://www.eani.org.uk/financial-help/home-to-school-transport/check-transport-eligibility>

Please see a breakdown of rough bus timings below. Please note that these times are for guidance only and you are advised to ensure your child at the bus stop approximately 5 minutes prior to these times.

Attical (bus shelter opposite chapel): 7.45am
Bus Shelter (opposite to Ballymaderphy Road): 7.56 am
Benagh Road (Mill Bay Corner): 8.00am
Benagh Road/Lurganconary Road Junction: 8.02am
Cranfield Corner: 8.06am
Lower Scrogg Road: 8.10am
Mid Scrogg Road: 8.12am
Upper Scrogg Road: 8.15am
Gaelscoil Na mBeann: 8.25am.



School Road, Ballymartin – 07.55am
Old Moneydarragh PS – 08.00am
Longstone Hall- 08:02am
Former St Mary's PS Glassdrumman – 08.10am
Halfwayhouse Annalong – 08.15am
Opposite Seaview Heights Ballymartin – 08.20am
Gaelscoil na mBeann – 08.27am

If you have any further questions about Home-School Transport and our school bus service, do not hesitate to call for more info.

All children in Rang 2-Rang 7 will return to school on Thursday, 1st September with Rang 2/3's school day finishing at 1:30pm and Rang 4-7's school day finishing at 2:30pm.

Táimid uilig ag dúil go mór leis na páistí a fheiceáil ar ais ar scoil sna laethanta atá mach romhainn!

We are all looking forward to seeing the children back in school in the coming days!

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