

## Kilbroney Integrated Primary School

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Dear Parent,

I am delighted to inform you that P1, P2 and P3 are now able to return to school from Monday 8th March for 2 weeks. (Please note Wednesday 17th March is a Bank Holiday). From the 22<sup>nd</sup> March until our Easter holidays P1, P2 and P3 will be taught remotely at home.

The school day will begin at 9am and end at 1.30pm.

Unfortunately, we have no date as yet for the full re-opening of school and the return of P4-P7 pupils. The Education Minister in his letter to school Principals on the 24<sup>th</sup> February has stated "My objective remains to have full return of all pupils to face to face teaching in school as soon as practicably possible after the Easter break but I recognise that this has to be balanced against the public health position."

## Phased return for P1, P2 and P3 on Monday 8th March

Pupils may enter the school building independently from 8.50-9.00am. The class teacher and classroom assistant will be waiting for them. Pupils will be brought to collection points at 1.30pm. As before, break time and lunch time will be shortened and children will remain in bubbles in order to maintain Covid security within our school community. I would once again ask you to keep your social distance and take care at the school gates.

School meals will be provided and transport is available. Please note pupils are to wear masks on the school bus.

DE has instructed that only essential items are to be brought into school from home.

- School bag
- Lunch
- Coat
- Water bottle

Pupils will be outdoors in a range of weathers and suitable outdoor clothing is required. Children will continue to have books and materials for their own use.

As we re-open on Monday 8th March after many weeks of home schooling I would like to assure you that as we settle into the school routine our main priority will be reconnection of friendships and the emotional wellbeing of children.

I look forward to seeing you all in the very near future.

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