



Scéal Oilibhéir

Nuachtlitir 17-12-2021

TRÉIMSHE NA hAIDBHINTE | Advent

An Domhnach seo chugainn is ea tríú Domhnach na hAidbhinte. Ciallaíonn an focal Béarla “Advent” go bhfuil duine nó rud nó ócáid éigin ag teacht. Bíonn ceithre Dhomhnach i dtréimhse na hAidbhinte (ní bhaineann sé le seachtainí) agus bímid ag ullmhú chun ceiliúradh a dhéanamh ar bhreith Íosa.

‘Sé an chéad Domhnach san Aidbhint tús na bliana don Eaglais

Fleasc na hAidbhinte

Seasann an ciorcal do Dhia, gan tús ná deireadh lena ghrá, lena thrócaire

Léiríonn na duilleoga síorghlasa go mbíonn athnuachan, go bhfuil an bheatha shíoraí i ndán dúinn

Na Coinnle

Seasann na coinnte don tréimhse feithimh sin. Baineann an dath corcra le ríogacht agus baineann sé le haithreachas agus le troscadh. Bíonn an coinneal deireanach bán agus seasann sé don leanbh Íosa gan smál, gan mháchail, a tháinig chun peacaí an Domhain a ghlanadh.

Coinneal an **Dóchais**

Coinneal na **Síochána**

Coinneal na **Lúcháire**

Coinneal an **Ghrá**

Coinneal **Bán** do bhreith Íosa

Tugtar coinneal na tairngreachta ar an gcoinneal seo freisin

Tugtar coinneal Beithile nó Coinneal an Ullmhúcháin ar an gcoinneal seo freisin

Tugtar coinneal an Aoire ar an gcoinneal seo freisin – **AN DOMHNACH SEO**

Tugtar coinneal na nAingeal ar an gcoinneal seo freisin

Tugtar coinneal an Chríost ar an gcoinneal seo freisin

This coming Sunday is the third Sunday of Advent. The word Advent means that someone, something or some occasion is “coming”. There are four Sundays in Advent (not weeks) and we prepare to celebrate the birth of Jesus. The first Sunday of Advent is also the beginning of the Christian Church’s year.

Advent Wreath

The circle represents God, and the eternity of His love and mercy, without beginning or end. The evergreen leaves represent renewal and that eternal life awaits us.

The Candles

The candles represent this period of waiting. The colour purple is long associated with royalty but also with reconciliation and fasting. The last white candle represents the Child Jesus, pure and without blemish who came to wash away the sins of the world.

The Candle of **HOPE**

Also known as the Prophecy Candle

The Candle of **PEACE**

Also known as the Bethlehem Candle or the Preparation Candle

The Candle of **JOY**

*Also known as the Shepherd’s Candle - **THIS SUNDAY***

The Candle of **LOVE**

Also known as the Angel’s Candle

The **White** Candle for the birth of Jesus

Also known as the Christ Candle

Teachtaireacht an Phríomhoide | Principal's Message

Mar is eol daoibh a chairde, bhí an téarma seo deacair go maith do gach duine, idir pháistí, bhaill na foirne agus thuismitheoirí/chaomhnóirí, go háirithe le cúpla seachtain anuas. Táim cinnte go bhfuilimid ar fad ag súil le sos de shaghas éigin anois. Tá a fhios againn go raibh agus go bhfuil COVID ar chuid againn, idir pháistí agus bhaill eile de phobal na scoile, agus guím biseach luath ar gach uile dhuine agaibh. Déanaim comhbhrón ó chroí le duine ar bith agaibh atá tar éis éinne a chailliúint, trí COVID nó trí rud eile. Tá sé an-deacair tacaíocht a thabhairt dá chéile mar ba mhaith linn na laethanta seo ach bíodh a fhios agaibh go bhfuil laethanta níos fearr romhainn.

As you know folks, this has been quite a difficult term for everybody, children, school staff and parents/guardians, especially in the last few weeks. I am sure that we are all looking forward to getting some kind of a break now. I know that some of us have had COVID, children and other members of the school community, and I wish a speedy recovery to every one of you. I sincerely sympathise with any of you who have lost someone, through COVID or otherwise. It's very difficult to support each other as we'd like to at the present time but know that brighter days lie ahead.

Cé go bhfuil cúrsaí dúshlánach faoi láthair, cuirtear iontas orm i gcónaí nuair a fheicim an teacht aniar atá sna páistí. Glacann siad le hathruithe ar na rialacha thar oíche, leanann siad na teoracha san fhoirgneamh agus sa chlós, déanann siad déileáil leis an díomá a bhíonn orainn go léir nuair a théann rudaí in olcas, bíonn dea-ghíúmar orthu nach mór an t-am ar fad, déanann siad a ndícheall leis an obair scoile agus níos tábhachtaí ná aon rud eile, bíonn siad cineálta leis na páistí eile sa scoil, idir óg agus sean. Is cúis mhórtais don scoil agus dá muintir iad agus molaim iad as an meon a léirigh siad ó mhí Mheán Fómhair.

Although things are challenging at the moment, I am constantly amazed when I see the resilience of the children. They accept overnight changes to rules, they follow the directions in the building and in the yard, they deal with the disappointment we all feel when things deteriorate, they are in good humor almost all the time, they do their best with their schoolwork and most importantly of all, they are kind with other children in school, young and old. They are a source of pride to the school and to their families and I praise them for the mindset they have shown since September.

Is minic nach dtugtar suntas do bhaill na mBord Bainistíochta a bhíonn ag saothrú go deonach ar son na scoileanna. Ní raibh éinne acu ag súil leis an dá bhliain a bhí againn tar éis a gceapachán i mí na Samhna 2019! Orthu siúd a bhíonn sé freastal ar chruinnithe gan choinne agus glacadh le freagracht as cinntí a dhéantar nuair nach mbíonn treoir shoiléir ó na húdaráis eile. Tá an t-ádh linn mar scoil go bhfuil na daoine seo sásta an obair dhúshlánach seo, a thógann an-chuid ama, a dhéanamh ar mhaithe na scoile. Tá an t-ádh liomsa mar phríomhoide go bhfuil na daoine gairmiúla, flaithiúla seo sásta a gcuid saineolais, agus an taithí atá acu, a roinnt liom.

The members of the Boards of Management who labour away voluntarily on behalf of schools often go unacknowledged. None of them expected the two years we've had to follow their appointment in November 2019! It falls upon them to attend meetings at short notice and take responsibility for decisions which are made when direction is not clear from other authorities. We are fortunate as a school that these people are content to do this challenging, time consuming work for the good of the school. I'm very fortunate as a principal that these professional, generous people are happy to share their expertise and experience with me.

Tá baill na foirne tar éis iad féin a chruthú go hiontach mar is gnách. Bhíomar ar fad ag súil go mór le filleadh ar ár seanléim anseo tar éis an tsamhraidh ach níor éirigh linn ar ndóigh. Tá na sean-nósanna idirchaidrimh thar a bheith tábhachtach dúinn go léir ar an bhfoireann. Roghnaigh cuid againn obair i Scoil Oilibhéir díreach de bharr an chaidrimh sin le teaghlaigh na scoile agus goilleann sé go mór orainn go bhfuilimid fós an-scartha. Go pearsanta, ba mhaith liom mo bhuíochas ó chroí a ghabháil le foireann uilig na scoile as an dúthracht a chaith siad ar a gcuid oibre ó mhí Mheán Fómhair. Is mó an chabhair a thugann Anna agus Mick le hobair riaracháin agus chothabhála agus i bhfad níos mó leis! Níl rud ar bith nach ndéanann na Cúntóirí Riachtanas Speisialta, Maoilíosa, Ciara agus Claire do na páistí agus ar ndóigh tá na múinteoirí ar a ndícheall sna cúinsí deacra seo chun an t-oideachas is fearr a thabhairt agus an timpeallacht is deise a chruthú. Ba mhaith liom tagairt ar leith a dhéanamh do Mhúinteoir Lára, an Príomhoide Tánaisteach, a bhíonn ina crann taca i gcónaí. Feicim an obair ó lá go lá agus is mór agam í. 'Siad na páistí an chloch (na clocha?!) is mó ar phaidrín na scoile seo. Feicim na rudaí beaga a dhéantar chun páistí a chur ar an suaimhneas. Cloisim na focail chiúine a tharlaíonn chun tuismitheoirí a choinneáil ar an eolas. Táim cinnte go bhfuil tuismitheoirí agus caomhnóirí na scoile an-bhuíoch as an aire a thugtar do pháistí anseo.

The staff members have proven themselves very well as usual. We were all looking forward to getting back to normal here after summer but of course we didn't manage that. The old habits of interaction are very important to us here in the staff. Some of us chose to work in Scoil Oilibhéir exactly because of that relationship with the school families and it upsets us greatly that we are still very segregated. Personally, I would like to sincerely thank all the school staff for the dedication they have given to their work since September. Anna and Mick give huge help in the administration and maintenance of the school, and much more besides! There is nothing our Special Needs

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Assistants Maoiliosa, Ciara and Claire won't do for the children and of course the teachers are doing their utmost in very difficult circumstances to provide the best education and create the best environment they can. I would like to make special mention of Múinteoir Lára, Deputy Principal, who is always a huge support. I see the work that is done from day to day and I really appreciate it. The children are always our priority in this school. I see the little things that are done to make children feel calm. I hear the quiet words that happen to keep parents up to date. I am certain that parents and guardians are also grateful for the care given to their children here.

Agus mé ag caint ar thuismitheoirí agus ar chaomhnóirí, tá luaite agam cúpla uair ar Aladdin ach ba mhaith é a chur i scríbhinn anseo. Ní gan fhios a tharlaíonn sé, tugaim faoi deara an dearcadh iontach atá ag thuismitheoirí/caomhnóirí na scoile. Tar éis breis is 20 bliain caite agam san áit, baintear siar asam fós nuair a fheicim an comhoibriú agus an tacaíocht agus an dea-thoil a léiríonn tuistí d'obair na scoile. Níl aon amhras orm ach gur féidir le cúrsaí faoi láthair a bheith pianmhar mí-áisiúil daoibh. Táim cinnte go mothaíonn sibh uaibh an t-idirghníomhú sin le múinteoirí agus le tuistí eile. Is gá suntas a thabhairt dó freisin áfach nach dóigh liom go raibh focal crosta agam le duine ar bith faoi chúrsaí. Aithníonn tuistí na scoile nach bhfuil an dara rogha again ach feidhmiú mar seo go ceann tamaillín eile ach bíodh a fhios agaibh go gcuirimid deireadh leis na srianta seo chomh luath agus is féidir linn. Cé nach raibh rudaí simplí ó thús na scoilbhliana seo, bheadh sé míle uair níos measa gan an tacaíocht ná an tuiscint a léiríonn sibh. Ar ndóigh tá Cumann na dTuismitheoirí tar éis an t-uafás a dhéanamh don scoil agus dár bpáistí, fiú agus iad srianta sa méid is féidir leo a dhéanamh. Míle buíochas leo.

Speaking of parents and guardians, I have mentioned it a number of times on Aladdin but I would like to put it on record here. It doesn't go unnoticed, I see the wonderful attitude of parents/guardians in this school. After over 20 years here, I am still taken aback when I see the cooperation and the support and the good will that parents show for the work of the school. I have no doubt but that things at the moment can be very inconvenient for you. I am certain you miss that interaction with staff and other parents. It should also be acknowledged that I don't think I've had a cross word with anyone about the situation. The parents of the school recognise that we have no other option but to operate like this for another while but please know that we will end the restrictions as soon as we possibly can. Although things have not been simple since the beginning of this school year, it would be much worse without the support and understanding you show. Of course our Parents' Association have done a huge amount for our school and our children even as they are restricted in what they can do. Huge thanks to them.

Aithním freisin an meas agus an chúirtéis a léiríonn pobal uilig na scoile ar a chéile. Tuigimid go bhfuil na rudaí seo ar siúl againn chun gach duine a choinneáil slán agus le go móthóidh daoine leochaileacha go mbeidh siad slán ar láthair na scoile. Molaim na hiarrachtaí atá déanta ag gach duine na spriocanna seo a bhaint amach.

I recognise too the respect and courtesy the entire school community has shown for each other. We understand that these things we are doing are to keep everybody safe and so that vulnerable people may feel that they will be safe on the school grounds. I praise the efforts everybody has made to achieve these goals.

D'éirigh linn teacht chomh fada leis seo a chairde, ní fios go fóill cad atá romhainn ach tá muinín agam asainn mar phobal go mbeimid breá ábalta chuige.

We've gotten this far folks, we don't know exactly what lies ahead but I am confident in ourselves as a community that we will be well able for it.

Go raibh sos suaimhneach, sona, síochánta, sábháilte, sámh sómhar, siamsúil againn go léir!

Guím Nollaig mhór mhaith oraibh agus gach rath agus séan oraibh san Athbhliain.

May we all have a calm, happy, peaceful, relaxing, enjoyable break.

I wish you all a great Christmas and every success and prosperity for the New Year.

Alm O'Leary

Aladdin agus Cumarsáid | Aladdin and Communication

Tá sé ríthábhachtach go bhfuil na sonraí teagmhála cearta ar Aladdin agus go bhfuil duine éigin saor i gcónaí chun an guthán a fhreagairt má chuirtear glaoch ort chun páiste a bhailiú.

It is crucial that the correct contact details are on Aladdin and that somebody is always available to answer the phone if you are called to collect your child.

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Dúnadh na scoile don Nollaig | School closure for Christmas

Rachaidh na páistí ó Rang a hAon go Rang a Sé abhaile ar 12:00 ar an gCéadaoin seo chugainn. Rachaidh na páistí sna Naíonáin Bheaga agus sna Naíonáin Mhóra ar 11:50. Chun brú a sheachaint, iarrtar oraibh ar fad gan crochadh timpeall ar láthair na scoile le bhur dtoil agus moltar úsáid a bhaint as carrchlós na Milaoise. Tá lánchead ag na páistí a gcuid gnáth-éadaí féin a chaitheamh agus cúpla milseán a thabhairt isteach ach cosc ar chnónna! Oslófar an scoil arís ar an Déardaoin 6 Eanáir 2022.

The children from 1st to 6th Class will go home at 12:00 next Wednesday. The children in Junior and Senior Infants will go home at 11:50. To avoid congestion you are all asked to please not hang around at the school and are advised to use the Millennium car park. The children may wear their own normal clothes and bring in a few sweets but no nuts! The school will open again on Thursday 6 January.

Obair Charthanachta | Charity Work

Féach na páistí iontacha seo a rinne maisiúcháin agus churros agus rudaí eile le díol lasmuigh den Roselawn chun airgead a ghnóthú don Oispís. Bhailigh siad breis is €1400!!

See these wonderful children who made decorations and churros and other things to sell outside the Roselawn to raise money for the Hospice. They collected more than €1400!



Geamaireacht | Pantomime

A bhuíochas le Cumann an dTuismitheoirí, beidh na páistí ag féachaint ar an ngeamaireacht fhíorúil ó *The Helix* an tseachtain seo. Ní bheidh aon táille air seo agus tá rudaí deasa curtha ar fáil ag an gCumann do na páistí don seó freisin.

Thanks to our Parents' Association, the children will be watching the virtual panto from the Helix this week. There will be no charge for this and the Parents' Association have provided some nice treats for the children also.

Tuáille láimhe | Hand Towel

Caithfidh tuáille láimhe a bheith ag gach páiste, gach lá.

Every child must have a hand towel every day.

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Oideachas d'Aosaigh Choláiste Pobail Chaisleán Cnucha | Castleknock Community College Adult Education

Tá clár an earraigh ó Oideachais d'Aosaigh Choláiste Pobail Chaisleán Cnucha ar fáil anois le cur in áirithint trí [https://castleknockcc.ie/adult-education/...](https://castleknockcc.ie/adult-education/) Lean iad ar Facebook, Instagram agus ar Twitter ar *NightClassesCCC*

Castleknock Community College Adult Education Spring 2022 programme is now available to book online through [https://castleknockcc.ie/adult-education/...](https://castleknockcc.ie/adult-education/) Follow them on Facebook, Instagram & Twitter at NightClassesCCC

SONAS Tearmann na mBan | SONAS Women's Refuge

Mar chuid d'imeachtaí na Nollag agus mar a dhéanaimid gach bliain, táimid ag iarraidh oraibh tacú leis na mná agus lena bpáistí a mbíonn orthu cabhair a lorg ón gcarthanacht áitiúil seo. Tuigfidh sibh gur minic a bhíonn ar na mná seo teitheadh ón mbaile go tobann leis na páistí agus go mbíonn gá le rudaí praiticúla. Labhair mé leis an oifig agus níl scuab fiacail srl. uathu ach tá géarghá le stocaí, fo-éadaí, pitseamaí, hataí, lámhainní srl. do na páistí agus do bhuachaillí ach go háirithe. De bharr COVID, ní féidir leo glacadh le rudaí nach bhfuil nua ach iarraim oraibh rud nó dhó sa bhreis a chaitheamh sa chiseán má tá sibh ag siopadóireacht an tseachtain seo. Beidh mála in aice na hoifige go dtí an Luan seo chugainn. Tuilleadh eolais faoi obair na carthanachta seo **anseo**

*As part of our Christmas activities and as we do every year, we are asking you to support the women and children who have to seek help from this local charity. You will understand that these women often have to flee their homes suddenly with their children and that practical things are needed. I have spoken to their office and toothbrushes etc. are not needed but they really need socks, underwear, pyjamas, hats, gloves etc. for the children, especially for boys. Due to COVID, they can only accept new items but I ask that you to throw one or two extra items in the basket if you are shopping this week. There will be a bag beside the office until next Monday. More information about this charity's work **here***

Suirbhé Rothaíochta ó Chomhairle Chontae Fhine Gall | Cycling Survey from Fingal County Council

Mothaíonn sé i bhfad uainn anois ach tá suirbhé ag **an nasc seo** faoi imeachtaí rothaíochta atá le réachtáil sa cheantar an bhliain seo chugainn.

*It feels a long way off now but there is a survey **at this link** about cycling events to be organised next year.*

Meabhrú Tábhachtach | Important Reminder

Féach ag an **nasc** seo an chomhairle is déanaí maidir leis an aonrú. Tá sé ag bun na nuachtlitreach seo freisin. Má thagann athrú ar an méid atá le fáil ag an nasc sin, beidh mé i dteagmháil libh nuair a chuirtear ar an eolas mé faoin athrú sin.

*Please see at this **link** the most recent advice around isolation. It is also at the bottom of this newsletter. If there is any change to the information at this link, I will be in contact with you as soon as I am notified.*

Éadaí Breise sa seomra ranga | Extra clothing in the classroom

Mar is eol daoibh ag an bpointe seo, cé go mbíonn an teas ar lasadh an t-am ar fad againn, bíonn sé fuar uaireanta sna seomraí. Ar mhaithe na soiléire: Tá lánchead ag páistí éadaí breise a chaitheamh faoin éide scoile (*Underarmour/veisteanna/loirgneáin srl*). Ní theastaíonn uainn go mothóidh na páistí róthe ach an oiread ach seans gur smaoineamh é cochaillín nó geansaí níos mó a chur isteach leo le coinneáil sa bhosca agus le caitheamh thar an éide scoile sa seomra díreach nuair is gá. Tá lánchead ag páistí hata srl. a chaitheamh sa seomra más mian leo ach ó bheith ag caint leis na páistí, ní minic a bhíonn siad an-fhuar sa seomra. Is mian linn iad a choinneáil chomh compordach agus is féidir.

*As you know at this point, although we have the heating on constantly, it is sometimes cold in the rooms. For the sake of clarity: Children have full permission to wear extra layers under the uniform (*Underarmour/vests/leggings etc.*). We don't want the children to feel stuffy either but it might be an idea to send in a larger hoodie or jumper that they could keep in their box and wear over their uniform just when*

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they need to. Children have full permission to wear hats etc. in the room if they like but from chatting to the children, it isn't often that they are really cold in the room. We just want to keep them as comfortable as possible.

Chéad Chomaoineach agus Cóineartú | *First Communion and Confirmation*

Cuireadh litir abhaile ar Aladdin ar an 6 Nollaig faoi seo. Is gá clárú leis an bparóiste don dá shacraimint seo. Féach an litir agus déan clárú le do thoil mura bhfuil sé déanta agat cheana féin.

A letter was sent home on Aladdin on the 6 December about this. It is necessary to register with the parish for these sacraments. Please see letter and register if you haven't already done so already.

Féilire na Scoile | *School Calendar*

Ná déan dearmad go bhfuil íocaíocht dheonach fós oscailte don Fhéilire Scoile 2022. Más mian leat cóip(eanna) a cheannach, líon isteach le do thoil sa bhosca ar *ePayments*. €15 do chóip amháin, €20 do dhá chóip, €30 do trí chóip agus €10 eile do gach cóip eile ina dhiaidh sin. Bí cinnte de le do thoil go líonann tú an bosca eile *Note* ar an leathanach íocaíochta le míniú cé mhéad cóip atá uait. Míle buíochas as an tacaíocht leanúnach. **Inniu an lá deireanach ach tá cúpla ceann fágtha againn san oifig.**

*Don't forget VOLUNTARY payment for the school calendar 2022 is still open. If you wish to purchase copies of the calendar please enter, in the amount box on ePayments, €15 for 1 copy, €20 for 2 copies, €30 for 3 copies, €10 for every additional copy. after that. Please ensure that you fill in 'NOTE BOX' on the payment page to explain how many copies you desire. Many thanks for your continued support. **Today, is the last day but we have a few left in the office.***

Cumann na dTuismitheoirí agus maisiú na scoile | *Parents' Association and decorating the school*

Táimid thar a bheith buíoch de Chumann na dTuismitheoirí a d'eagraigh maisiúcháin na Nollag sa scoil. Cuireann sé go mór leis an atmaisféar san áit. Tá buíochas ar leith ag dul don bheirt thuismitheoirí a tháinig isteach chun obair leictreoirachta a dhéanamh, is mór againn é. Ba mhaith leis an gCumann a mbuíochas a ghabháil as an tacaíocht ar fad i mbliana. Tá cathaoirleach nua ag teastáil fós don bhliain seo chugainn. freisin. Bain triail as!

We are very grateful to our Parents' Association who organised the Christmas decorations in the school. It really adds to the atmosphere in the place. We are especially grateful to the two parents who came in to do electrical work for us, we really appreciate it. The Association would like to express their gratitude for all the support this year A new chairperson is still needed of next year. Give it a go



Isolation quick guide for parents and guardians of children older than 3 months and up to 13 years of age

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Signs of COVID-19 disease:

- fever of 38.0°C or higher without another medical reason (such as chickenpox or a urine infection) OR
- new cough or difficulty breathing or worsening of an existing breathing problem, OR
- loss of sense of smell, change in sense of taste, or loss of sense of taste (if your child is able to say this) OR
- other minor breathing or chest problems in a child who has been in contact with an ill person, is part of an outbreak or is a contact of someone who has COVID-19
- Other symptoms associated with COVID-19 include fatigue, nasal congestion, conjunctivitis, sore throat, headache, muscle/joint pain, skin rash, nausea or vomiting, diarrhoea, chills or dizziness.

Symptoms may present differently in different age groups and with different variants of the virus. Some symptoms may also be confused with common cold, hay-fever or flu. If you have any new acute symptoms suggestive of COVID-19, self-isolate and contact your GP.

However, if you or your child's symptoms are very mild then stay at home, reassess after 48 hours and contact your GP for advice.

[Self-isolation](#) – (stay in your room). Self-isolation means staying indoors and completely avoiding contact with other people. This includes other people who live in the same house as your child, as much as possible. Self-isolation is for children who have had a test that shows they have COVID-19 and also for children who have some symptoms of COVID-19, but are still waiting for a test or test result.

[Restricting movement](#) – (stay at home). Restricting movement means avoiding contact with other people as much as possible. This includes not going to school, crèche or social activities. Restricting movement is for people who do not have signs of COVID-19 but who may be at higher risk of getting COVID-19 because they were exposed to a particular risk.

Please note if your child has recently travelled from a [scheduled State](#), these guidelines do not apply to you. Please see [gov.ie](https://www.gov.ie) for the most up to date information regarding travel advice.

See page 2 -4 for full guide.

	Situation	Actions for child	Actions for others minding or living with the child
1	Positive PCR COVID-19 test	<p>Your child needs to self-isolate for 10 full days from when the signs of COVID-19 started, with no fever for the last 5 days</p> <p>If your child does not have signs of COVID-19, they must self-isolate for 10 full days, starting from the date of the test.</p>	<p>Children who are identified as household contacts² who are not fully vaccinated OR have not had confirmed COVID-19 infection in the past 9 months, regardless of symptoms, will be required to restrict movements and get tested for COVID-19. (symptoms- row 2, no symptoms - row 5)</p> <p>Household contacts² who have had confirmed COVID-19 infection in the past 9 months do not need to restrict movements⁵ as long as they remain asymptomatic. (row 6)</p> <p>Household contacts who are asymptomatic AND fully vaccinated must restrict movements for five days from date they are informed they are a household contact and complete three antigen tests (which will be distributed by CMP) (row 7)</p> <p>Where the close contact has occurred outside of the Household and is asymptomatic, the contact must complete three antigen tests (which will be distributed by CMP) even if fully vaccinated. No restriction of movement required. (row 8).</p>

2	<p>A child with signs of COVID-19 disease waiting for a COVID19 PCR test or PCR test result. Sometimes the GP may say that results need to be repeated to be sure if the child has COVID-19 or not. This section applies for those in this situation also.</p>	<p>Your child needs to self-isolate, including from other people in the house if possible, while waiting for the COVID-19 test result</p>	<p>Children > 3 months to under 13 years of age who are not fully vaccinated OR have not had confirmed COVID-19 infection in the past 9 months, and are household contacts² must restrict movements while waiting for the COVID-19 test result, or until the child has been told that their illness is not from COVID19.</p> <p>Household contacts² of the child who are fully vaccinated and have no symptoms need not restrict movement while awaiting the test result. However, if the PCR test result is positive, please follow advice in row 7.</p> <p>Household contacts² of the child who are not fully vaccinated OR have not had confirmed COVID-19 infection in the past 9 months, must restrict their movements while waiting for the COVID-19 test result, or until the child has been told that their illness is not from COVID-19.</p>
3	<p>A child with signs of COVID-19 disease and a “Negative/Not Detected” COVID-19 PCR test result</p>	<p>Children can return to school or crèche when the family have followed all medical and public health guidance they have received with respect to exclusion of the child from childcare and educational settings and there is no reason to believe that they have an infectious disease</p>	<p>There is no need for household contacts² of the child who are not fully vaccinated to restrict their movements after the child has received a “negative/not detected” COVID-19 result (once they remain asymptomatic).</p>

4	A child with signs of illness that may be COVID-19, who is waiting for a doctor to assess their illness and decide if a COVID-19 test is needed.	Your child needs to self-isolate until they have been assessed by a doctor.	Other people do not need to restrict their movements until the child has been assessed by a doctor. If the doctor decides the child needs a COVID-19 test, household contacts ² of the child who are not fully vaccinated OR have not had confirmed COVID-19 infection in the past 9 months, need to restrict their movements while waiting for the COVID-19 test result (follow advice in Row 2).
5	A child who is a household contact ² of a confirmed COVID-19 case AND is not fully vaccinated AND has not had confirmed COVID-19 infection in the past 9 months	<p>If your child is not fully vaccinated and has not had confirmed COVID-19 infection in the past 9 months and is a household contact² of a confirmed case, they will need to restrict movements for 14 days – this is regardless of whether they have symptoms or not. They will be tested on Day 0 and Day 10 after last contact with the case.</p> <p>If the test result on Day 10 is “Negative/Not Detected” and your child does not have any symptoms of COVID-19, they can stop restricting their movements. In the absence of a day 10 test, please continue to restrict your movements for 14 days.</p> <p>If the child develops symptoms, even if fully vaccinated, it is important to self-isolate and contact your GP to arrange a test.</p>	<p>No restrictions are required for close contacts, unless the person develops symptoms.</p> <p>For Household contacts follow advice in rows 5,6,7.</p>

6	<p>A child who is a household contact² of a confirmed COVID-19 case</p> <p>AND</p> <p>has had confirmed COVID-19 infection in the past 9 months</p>	<p>As long as the child remains asymptomatic, restricted movement is not required.</p> <p>If the child develops symptoms, even if fully vaccinated, it is important to self-isolate and contact your GP to arrange a test.</p>	<p>No restrictions are required for close contacts, unless the person develops symptoms.</p> <p>For Household contacts follow advice in rows 5,6,7.</p>
7	<p>A child who is a household contact² of a confirmed COVID-19 case</p> <p>AND</p> <p>is fully vaccinated</p> <p>AND</p> <p>has not had confirmed COVID-19 infection in the past 9 months (applicable to those aged 12+ who have received a full dose of vaccination)</p>	<p>If you child is fully vaccinated and has not had confirmed COVID-19 infection in the past 9 months and is a household contact² of a confirmed case, they must restrict their movements for five days from the date they are informed they are a household contact.</p> <p>The household contact(s) will receive antigen tests that should be performed as soon they receive the tests and repeated every second day until three antigen tests have been performed.</p> <p>Household contacts can exit restriction of movement after five days (day six) even if they have not yet completed all three antigen tests provided they have no symptoms of COVID-19. It is important that household contact(s) complete all three antigen tests even after restricted movement has ended.</p> <p>If the result of any antigen tests is positive, the household contact(s) must self-isolate and book a RT-PCR test.</p> <p>If the household contacts develop COVID-19 symptoms at any time regardless of a negative antigen test result they should self-isolate immediately and book a RT-PCR test.</p> <p>This does not apply to household contacts who have had confirmed COVID-19 infection in the past nine months.</p>	<p>No restrictions are required for close contacts, unless the person develops symptoms.</p> <p>For Household contacts follow advice in rows 5,6,7.</p>

8	A child with no signs of COVID-19 disease, but they have been told they are a close contact of someone with COVID-19 (this close contact occurred outside of the household setting ⁵)	Your child does not need to restrict movements if asymptomatic. If your child develops symptoms, please follow advice in row 2.	No restrictions required
9	A child with signs of COVID-19 disease, and they have been told they are a close contact of someone with COVID-19 (this close contact occurred outside of the household setting ⁵)	Please follow advice in row 2.	Please follow advice in row 2.
10	A child with nasal congestion or other minor signs of illness and 'off-form', no fever of 38.0°C or higher, no cough, no difficulty breathing	You should keep your child home from school or childcare for 48 hours. Monitor your child's illness for any signs of getting worse, or for any new signs of illness. If their condition does not deteriorate, and there are no new signs of illness AND your child doesn't need paracetamol or ibuprofen to feel better, your child can return to school or childcare. You should speak to your GP if symptoms worsen or if new symptoms develop.	Household contacts ² regardless of vaccination status do not need to restrict their movements unless the GP indicates that the child needs a COVID-19 test. If the child is being tested, please follow advice in row 2.
11	A child with nasal congestion, not ill, in good form, good energy and normal appetite, no fever, not requiring paracetamol, ibuprofen or any other medicine for fever	Your child can go to school or creche.	No restrictions

12	A child that has travelled to Ireland	Please see gov.ie for the most up to date advice relating to travel.	Please see gov.ie for the most up to date advice relating to travel.
13	A child with signs of COVID-19 disease who should be tested but is not tested for any reason, or does not want to be tested.	Your child should be treated as if they have COVID-19 disease. In the absence of a 10 day 'not detected' COVID-19 test, they must continue to restrict movements for 14 full days from when the signs of COVID-19 started with no fever for the last 5 days	Household contacts ² who are not fully vaccinated OR have not had confirmed COVID-19 infection in the past 9 months must restrict their movements for 14 days after last contact with case Close contacts will be tested on Day 0 and Day 10 after last contact with the case. If the test result on Day 10 is "Negative/Not Detected" and the close contact has no symptoms of COVID-19, they can stop restricting their movements. In the absence of a day 10 test, please continue to restrict your movements for 14 days.
14	Your child attends Special Educational Needs settings and is a close contact of a confirmed COVID-19 case	Children > 3 months to under 13 years of age who are not fully vaccinated OR have not had confirmed COVID-19 infection in the past 9 months, regardless of symptoms, and who are in Special Educational Needs settings (school or class) (SEN) or respite care will be referred for a Public Health Risk Assessment and children a Public Health Risk Assessment and may be required to have one COVID-19 test (if possible) and restrict movements for 5 days if advised.	Household contacts ² who are not fully vaccinated should follow the advice given based on the public health risk assessment.

1. See <https://www.gov.ie/en/publication/77952-government-advice-on-international-travel/#travelling-withchildren> for the most up to date advice relating to travel
2. Household contacts are people living or sleeping in the same house, people in shared living spaces who share a kitchen or bathroom.
3. When caring for young children with COVID-19 it might not be possible for the child to be isolated from the other people in the house. In this case, other people living in the house must restrict their movements for 17 days from when the signs of COVID-19 disease started in the child (or the day of the test if the child does not have signs of COVID-19 disease). This is regardless of whether further cases are identified in the household.
4. Quarantine is a legal term which is used by the government to describe the obligation for persons who have returned to Ireland, to stay at home and self-isolate from others in certain travel situations
5. Contact outside of the household setting – this refers to close contact which occurred in settings such as schools, childcare facilities, sporting activities and other social events. Please note children >3 months up to 13 years old who are asymptomatic do not need to restrict movement or be tested when they are deemed a close contact in this circumstance. This does not apply to special education settings. Please see row 15 for advice relating to this setting.
6. If you are a fully vaccinated, asymptomatic close contact you do not need to restrict movements. However, there may be certain situations where contact tracing will advise that you should restrict movements and be tested. This occurs when you are in a close contact of specific variants of COVID-19. It is important to always follow public health advice.