

Remote Learning Plans

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Dear Parents/Guardians

Below are our remote learning plans for a number of different situations, prepared with the current national situation and HSE guidelines in mind. Schools are advised to adhere to public health advice as it is updated. Our plans may have to change. We ask for your patience and understanding if this happens. Meanwhile, we encourage you to read the information below a few times. If you have any questions, please email info@dspns.ie

Learning skills are quite different at the junior and senior ends of the school. If the school is notified of a closure of 10-15 days, we will send books home where possible.

In the case of the school receiving notification to send home a Pod over the weekend, the school will let parents/guardians know. Children in that Pod should go ahead with reading, Mathletics (and Spellcheck 3rd – 6th) until teachers upload learning activities to Seesaw.

Communications in case of remote learning:

Seesaw is a learning and communication tool for **children and teachers**. Parents/guardians should email queries to info@dspns.ie

Suggested learning activities are optional. Family **wellbeing** is a **priority**. Be gentle and compassionate with yourselves. Parents/Guardians know best what will work for their own families

Situation 1: Child home for 2 or 3 days, Covid related or not

If a child is at home and is able to do learning activities, we suggest continuing:

JI - 2nd

Reading and Mathletics

3rd - 6th

Reading, Mathletics, Spellcheck

If the child is not able for learning activities, they should rest.

Situation 2: Children home Covid related (1-3 weeks or as per public health advice), pods or individuals

Junior Infants - 2nd

- Learning activities pack
- Mathletics and Reading
- Seesaw teachers upload learning activities. Children complete activities and choose what they wish to upload.
- Feedback will be given throughout the week

3rd - 6th

- Mathletics, Reading and Spellcheck.
- Seesaw teachers upload learning activities. Children complete activities and choose what they wish to upload.
- Feedback will be given throughout the week

Situation 3: Whole Class home Covid related (1-3 weeks or as per public health advice)

Junior Infants - 2nd classes

- Learning activities pack sent home to hold
- Teachers will assign learning activities and communicate with children through Seesaw
- Zoom check ins will be arranged as needed

3rd – 6th classes

- Teachers will assign learning activities and communicate with children through Seesaw.
- Zoom check ins will be arranged as needed.

We are hopeful potential periods at home will be short compared to the last school year. We as a school community have done a superb job of caring for one another since school opened on 27th August 2020. Thanks to staff for their vigilance and kindness in reminding children about social distancing and sanitising during the school day. Thanks to parents/guardians for modelling calm and social distance at drop off and pick up times.

Worldwide, we are living through an extended period of uncertainty which is challenging for everyone. Let us continue to be compassionate, empathetic and caring towards one another.

Kind regards

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