

## St Patrick's Catholic Primary School

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Good afternoon Parents / Carers,

Following ongoing analysis of the procedures for collecting the pupils, I would like to make some slight changes in order to try and support parents in maintaining social distancing in the safest way. Having a time slot of 10 minutes to drop pupils off in the morning seems to be working very well so I would like to <a href="trial those arrangements">trial those arrangements</a> for the afternoon collections for the next few days. The changes will mean:

All classes who fit into the	Drop off time (Start of	Collecting time (End of school day)
following:	school day)	
<ul> <li>Initial letter of surname is between A to F</li> <li>Kaleidoscope (KOOSH)</li> </ul>	8:45am to 8:55am	3:00 – 3:10pm EYFS, KS1 classes using the pedestrian gate from the playground KS2 using the driveway double gate
<ul> <li>Initial letter of surname is between <b>G to M</b></li> <li>Birstall Pre-School</li> <li>Childminders</li> </ul>	9:00am to 9:10am	3:15 – 3:25pm  EYFS, KS1 classes using the pedestrian gate from the playground  KS2 using the driveway double gate
<ul> <li>Initial letter of surname is between N to Z</li> <li>The Counting House</li> </ul>	9:15 to 9:25am	3:30 – 3:40pm EYFS, KS1 classes using the pedestrian gate from the playground KS2 using the driveway double gate

Please could I ask that changing to the time slots <u>does not lead</u> to all parents opting to come for the later end of the slot or it will not make any difference to safety when outside the school grounds. From next week, when all our EYFS pupils have returned we will have <u>five classes</u> bringing pupils to the pedestrian gate (EYFS and KS1 exit) over that 10 minute slot and so we need to make sure we have time to let everyone out before the next group of pupils and parents arrive. Unfortunately we do not have the availability of alternative locations to exit our pupils at the end of the day other than the two we are currently using. Please ensure you give yourself an appropriate amount of travelling and parking time so that you are not running late. I hope making these changes will support in keeping all safe at the end of the school day.

## New law: Rule of 6 – from Monday 14<sup>th</sup> September

Could I please also take this opportunity to remind everyone that the new law - "Rule of 6" is in force to all as soon as pupils leave the school grounds – this includes visits to the park next door. Please be very careful if choosing to visit the park next door to the school as there should not be groups of more than six even if social distancing is being maintained. I recognise all these measures are difficult but I would very much like to keep our school open to all especially as I know many schools are having to close bubbles already.

As we continue to fulfil our ongoing risk assessment we may make adaptations in order to ensure we are keeping everyone as safe as possible and are procedures are as effective as possible.

With Kind Regards

Mrs Clare Moulding (Headteacher)











