



Gaelscoil an Chaistil

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A thuismitheoir, a chara,

Seo chugat litir ón aire oideachais agus sraithchárta a bhaineann le rialacha féin-aonarú i dtaca le daltaí scoile de. Tá giota eolais breise agam thíos.

I have uploaded a letter from the Education Minister and a flowchart about self-isolation for school pupils. I am including some additional information below.

An sraithchárta / Flowchart explained

If you are informed that your child is a close contact of a Covid-19 case in school, this is what you need to do.

Gaelscoil an Chaistil are continuing with classroom bubbles this year, so all Naíscóil children are together; Rang 1 & 2 are together; Rang 3 & 4; Rang 5 & 6 and then Rang 7. If a child in any of these classroom bubbles test positive, all children in the bubble will be directed to abide by the following protocol.

Naíscóil to Rang 7 – **If your child has symptoms, do the following** – Stay at home and book a PCR test as soon as possible. Self-isolate until the results are received. If it's positive, inform school and self-isolate for 10 days from the date of the test.

If your child doesn't have symptoms, you have to think of two things. Have they had a positive result from a PCR test in the last 90 days? If so, they continue to come to school unless they develop symptoms.

If they haven't had a positive PCR test result in the last 90 days, they must stay at home and book a PCR test immediately. Self-isolate until the results are received. If it's negative, the child may return to school. Another PCR test needs to be booked for Day 8. If symptoms develop in the meantime, get another PCR immediately and self-isolate until results are available.

As schools return, the incidence rates of positive cases have already increased significantly. As with last year, we would urge parents to err on the side of caution.

The best way to contact school with queries or with updates about your child is by text to the school mobile – 07969212524.

Go raibh maith agat as ucht do chomhoibrithe leanúnach / Thank you for your continued co-operation.

Le gach dea-ghuí,
Brídín