



WELCOME BACK!

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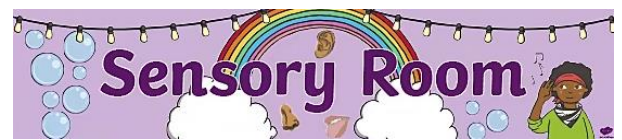
A very warm welcome back to the 2022-23 school year and a special welcome to the parents/guardians and pupils of Aoife, Avril and Emily's Junior Infants. Our new Junior Infants are settling in particularly well and we are very proud of them all. The current arrangement of 9am-11.30a.m will finish today. **From Monday 12th September, Junior Infants will arrive at 8.30a.m and depart at 1.10p.m.**

We would like to wish our former 6th Class pupils, who successfully transitioned into Secondary School the very best in their new schools.

As the gates are crowded at home time, we recommend that you arrange a convenient, agreed meeting point to meet your child/children after school, especially the older children.

I would like to wish Niamh Friery and Katie Brackett best wishes as they embark on their Career Breaks and also welcome Cathy, Cian, Mary and Kayleigh to our staff. Cathy is teaching 1st Class, Cian is teaching 4th Class, Mary is a teacher on our SEN Team and Kayleigh is our new SNA in Junior Infants.

Over the summer break, the Board of Management also accepted resignation from Bernie Mahon. Bernie was an SNA with us for the past 6 years. We wish Bernie the very best for the future.



Over the Summer the Board of Management oversaw the installation of our brand new Sensory Room. This entire project has been funded by our fantastic parents/guardians and PTA. It never ceases to amaze, what we can achieve together. It is a real example of the power of our parent/guardian and school partnership. This room is an amazing space for our children with additional needs where they can relax, regulate and receive sensory input and movement breaks. Huge thanks to Rob and his team at the Sensory Pod for such a professional and efficient service.

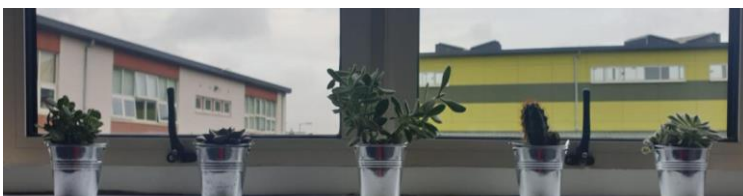
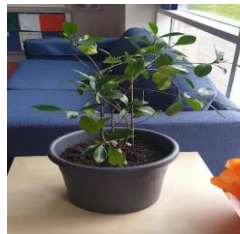
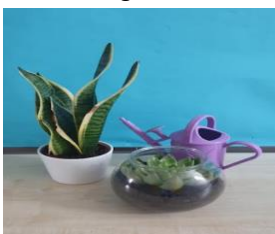
www.thesensorypod.ie



Our Green School



Thanks to Áine O'Brien and her wonderful ideas, we have some gorgeous plants and flowers around our school. They make the corridors come to life and definitely bring a little bit of nature into the building.



PARKING

Please do not park inside the campus gates in the morning. These spaces are reserved for school staff. Please park with caution, avoid reversing into the school grounds when turning and be mindful of children travelling in and out of the school premises. Please adhere to parking regulations in relation to disabled spaces and do not block any other parked cars.

Book Rental

We are incredibly fortunate to have a heavily subsidised Book Rental Scheme here in Swords ETNS. All of the children's books and text books are covered under the scheme, which has been running for the past 8 years. If you have not paid your Book Rental fee, please do so as soon as possible through electronic transfer. Please make sure to put your child's name and class on the online transfer.



Our fantastic PTA has been assisting with morning drop off since our return to school last September. Thanks to Ciara, her team of helpers and class volunteers who assist every morning to ensure the safety of the children. Please see attached schedule of Traffic Duty Volunteers. Thanks to all involved.

We are asking parents/guardians to use the drop off facility where possible. **There is no parking on the school campus or in the staff car park.** PTA members will be there to help. Drive into the set down area and allow your children to exit the car **on the footpath side only.** A PTA or class volunteer will assist your child/children into the school. This worked extremely well last year, kept traffic to a minimum and made the drop off more efficient for everybody involved. At collection time parents/guardians should not block staff cars in the car park and cars should not stop on the through road to wait for children as this can block access for other cars and creates traffic issues.



Our school has always been committed to the meaningful inclusion of all children. Our Special Educational Needs Teachers support children with Special Educational Needs in developing their social communication skills and their ability to build relationships. When it comes to such important life skills, children learn in the most meaningful way from being supported in the company of their peers.

Therefore, over the course of the year, we will encourage our children with additional needs to invite their friends from class to play and participate in fun social activities. For more information, please speak with your child's Class Teacher or with Eoghan our Special Educational Needs Coordinator.



As communicated to you earlier this week, we will shortly roll out the Aladdin Schools Connect to parents/guardians of children in our classes.

Next week, you will receive a text/email message containing your registration link. **In preparation for this please let the school know if your email address/phone number has changed recently.** From Monday, October 3rd, you can communicate any absence, late arrival or early collection directly to your child's class teacher through the Aladdin App. This will cut down greatly on the amount of emails and phone calls received in the office.

For further assistance please go to <https://aladdin.ie/files/pdf/ParentSignUp.pdf> to see the Parent Connect signup process. There will be one link per parent. Please do not forward this text/email or share this link as this is a unique registration link for each parent for your child/children in this school. Please note: If there are any personal concerns, or legal provisions in place regarding giving access to Connect to any parent/guardian of your child please contact the school in confidence to discuss or restrict access as required.

Date	Year	Teacher	Rota Organiser
12-Sep-22	3rd Class	Peter	Mairead Farquharson
19-Sep-21	3rd Class	Louise	Camille Psaila
26-Sep-22	2nd Class	Claire/Teresa	Jackie Sheridan
03-Oct-22	2nd Class	Aisling	Tony Haddon
10-Oct-22	6th Class	Fiona	Aisling Deigan
17-Oct-22	6th Class	Norah	Ciara Acton
24-Oct-22	1st Class	Isolde	Sarah Roche
31-Oct-22	Mid Term		
07-Nov-22	1st Class	Cathy	Grainne McKenna
14-Nov-22	Senior Infants	Keira	Gillian Stapleton
21-Nov-22	Senior Infants	Rosemary	Caroline Mullen
28-Nov-22	Junior Infants	Emily	Aleksandra Grusevic Costanz
05-Dec-22	Junior Infants	Aoife/Avril	Grainne McKenna
12-Dec-22	4th Class	Cian	Deirdre Lee
19-Dec-22	4th Class	Rachel	Ciara Acton
26-Dec-22	Christmas Holidays		
09-Jan-23	PTA		
16-Jan-23	5th Class	Niamh	Michelle Beirne
23-Jan-23	5th Class	Gillian	Greg MacHale
30-Jan-23	2nd Class	Claire/Teresa	Jackie Sheridan
06-Feb-23	2nd Class	Aisling	Tony Haddon
13-Feb-23	Mid Term		
20-Feb-23	1st Class	Isolde	Sarah Roche
27-Feb-23	1st Class	Cathy	Grainne McKenna
06-Mar-23	Senior Infants	Keira	Gillian Stapleton
13-Mar-23	Senior Infants	Rosemary	Caroline Mullen
20-Mar-23	6th Class	Fiona	Aisling Deigan
27-Mar-23	6th Class	Norah	Ciara Acton
03-Apr-23	Easter Holidays		
17-Apr-23	Junior Infants	Emily	Aleksandra Grusevic Costanz
24-Apr-23	Junior Infants	Aoife/Avril	Grainne McKenna
01-May-23	4th Class	Cian	Deirdre Lee
08-May-23	4th Class	Rachel	Ciara Acton
15-May-23	3rd Class	Peter	Mairead Farquharson
22-May-23	3rd Class	Louise	Camille Psaila
29-May-23	5th Class	Niamh	Michelle Beirne
05-Jun-23	Summer Week		
12-Jun-23	5th Class	Gillian	Greg MacHale
19-Jun-23	PTA		
26-Jun-23	PTA		

After School Catholic Class

After-school Catholic Classes will be starting again in the **school**. Classes are coordinated by the Religion Committee and will run every Tuesday afternoon **3.30p.m.-4.30p.m.**

As per the Diocesan Policy children must attend Religious education classes from Senior Infants to 6th class in order to complete the program for sacraments.

Register your interest in attending the classes in the school by emailing setnsrc@gmail.com. Once the committee have received your expression of interest they will forward you the enrolment forms and the bank details. Fees must be paid in full before classes can start. Classes will hopefully begin at the end of September.