

Welcome to the start of another new school year. We want to say a big thank you to everyone for helping to make drop-off and collection of children run smoothly whilst the roadworks were completed. Unfortunately we will only have a crossing patrol office in place for a couple of weeks whilst the children get used to the new crossing, so it is important that we all reinforce how to cross the road safely with the children. Children should be dropped off at school no earlier than 8.40am, as there are no staff in the playground until 8.45am to supervise. When collecting children at the end of the day, we ask that they are collected from the playground by 3.40pm at the latest. Any children remaining at this time will be taken in to wait by the office.



As we learn to live with COVID-19 in the community, all schools will have proportionate protective measures in place this term to reflect the Island's current COVID-19 situation.

As the virus continues to circulate in the community, schools will not be required to inform parents and guardians if a student or staff member tests positive for COVID-19 as schools are already operating with mitigation measures in place.

We would ask you to reinforce good hygiene measures with your children, for example regular, thorough handwashing, and knowing how to blow their own nose with a tissue, and correctly dispose of this.

Please remember – if your child is not well, please don't send them into school.

We were excited to hear that Mrs Corlett will be starting a new role at another school after the half term break. We will certainly miss her expertise and enthusiasm. We wish her all the very best!



School Uniform



Don't forget to check that school uniform is named. We already have some unclaimed jumpers - brand new - but no name!!

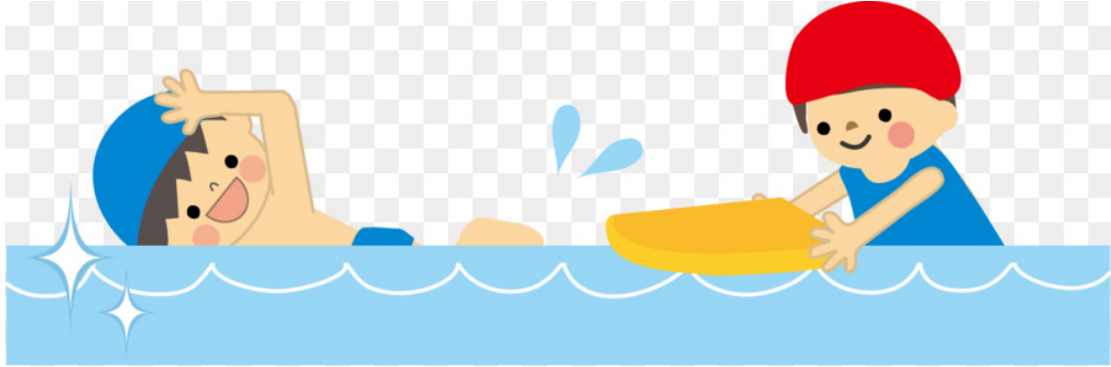
It is really important that your child has a PE kit in school every day. We have lots of recycled uniform for sale in school too, just contact the office.

Please remember that your child needs to wear **black** school shoes.

School swimming starts on Wednesday for all children in years 3 and above. It is a vital skill to be able to swim, and we expect all children to take part. If your child is not well enough to be going swimming, they really aren't well enough to be in school.

Children will need their swimming kit, including swimming hat for those boys and girls with longer hair. Don't forget that boys must have swimming trunks rather than shorts, and girls must have a one piece costume rather than bikini or tankini.

We expect all pupils to show appropriate levels of behaviour both on the bus travelling to the NSC and in the changing room, and to listen to their swimming instructors.



Meet the Teacher

It is really important that you attend these meetings in the coming weeks to meet your child's new class teacher. They will be going through our school expectations for behaviour and learning, as well as detailing what the expectations will be for home learning. This will be your chance to ask questions about how you can best support your child at home. Dates and times as below;

Year one	Mrs Speller	Monday 13 th September 3.40pm
Year Two / Three	Mrs Ward / Mrs Corlett	Tuesday 14 th September 3.40pm
Year Four	Mr Hunter	Monday 20 th September 3.40pm
Year Five	Mrs Cowin	Wednesday 15 th September 3.40pm
Year Six	Mrs Kelly	Thursday 16 th September 3.40pm

There will be a date for Reception Class later on this half term.

Braddan School Dates for your Diary

date	Year groups involved	event	What do I need?
23.9.21	Whole school	School Photographs	<i>whole class, individual and siblings will be photographed</i>
w/c 27.9.21	Whole School	Active Travel Week	We encourage you to think about more active travel options if possible this week
8.10.21	Whole School	Braddan Cake Sale	<i>Donations of cakes to sell / money to buy cakes</i>
21.10.21	Whole School	Flu Immunisations	<i>Consent forms have already been sent from Manx Care</i>
22.10.21	Whole School	Harvest Assembly	Donations for the IOM Foodbank