

Appendix 11 Proposal from SEN team re Continuity of Education

This is a working document and subject to change

General

- Visors are available if requested, and surgical strength masks to be used if at close range with the children
- Larger winged Perspex screens available in all SEN teaching spaces
- Smaller Perspex screens in every classroom. To be used by SNA or SEN staffmember supporting an individual pupil in-class and must be disinfected /fogged after use.

How to work safely when going into different classrooms.

- Keep all pens ,markers etc., mini bag of wipes, sellotape ,scissors stapler etc in a bum bagonly use your own stuff.
- Keep a two metre distance between adults and pupils and if this is not possible keep a one metre distance .
- Wear a mask/visor and if in very close contact wear a visor and a mask-medical grade.
- Timetables and/or running record will record movement .

Withdrawal Support

- When withdrawal is undertaken, social distance en route to SEN room.
- Pupils from the different pods may be taken within the same class ,being careful to keep socially distanced walking to and from their room.
- Pupils from the same pod may sit together in the SEN room.
- Pupils from different pods but from the same class bubble, will be seated at least one metre apart.
- Pupils will sanitise hands when entering and leaving the room and the table will be wiped down with a sanitising wet wipe.
- Equipment used will be sanitised and when necessary books will be quarantined before being handed out again.

In-class Support

- When engaging in in class support, work with one or two pods to minimise contact as far aspossible. Work with these two pods for a week and then move after a weekend.
- When completing Toe by Toe exercises the pupil will have a book opened on the correct page and it will be covered by an overlay. When the pupil selects an answer the teacher will mark the pupils book as previously. The overlay will be sanitised at the end of the session.
- Use a dividing Perspex screen when completing Toe by Toe and other individual programmes.
- A visor and mask will be worn in the infant classes when in close contact with a pupil.
- When providing in class support in Junior Infant classes, the SEN teacher will work with one half of the room for a number of weeks as much as possible.
- EAL pupils will socially distance as outlined above.
- Class teachers will be asked to forward their seating plan to the SEN teacher assigned to them .

Children who have not returned to school – COVID Related Reasons

As of Wednesday, September 1st 2021 all children have returned to school. No parent indicated that children would not return to school due to COVID Related Reasons.