



St Dallan's Primary School

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Dear Parents/Guardians

In supporting the roles of our key workers during these difficult times, we as schools have been presently instructed to open the school from Monday 23rd March to facilitate our parents who fall into the government's specified categories. Please note in the interest of the safety and well-being of our school community, this facility is strictly for those who are unable to access alternative care and will be unable to carry out their key worker role without this provision.

Schools are being asked to provide a very different type of provision than schools normally provide; for these pupils it's **about care, not education**. The aim is to keep the number of pupils coming into school at a minimum. Please note:

- School will operate from 9am-3pm.
- Children attending will be required to wear their school uniform.
- Key workers will be required to update contact information on arrival.

Given the fluid nature of the situation this advice could change at any time. We have included a list of key workers as reference.

We are thinking about all our key workers and indeed everyone in our school community with the challenges we will face in the weeks and months ahead.

Thank you for your support and understanding.

Yours faithfully

Mrs U Farrell
(Principal)

**LIST OF KEY WORKERS AS OUTLINED ON DOCUMENTATION ISSUED TO SCHOOLS ON
19TH MARCH 2020**

- Health and Social Care. This includes doctors, nurses, midwives, paramedics, social workers, home carers and staff required to maintain our health and social care sector
- Education and childcare. This includes nursery and teaching staff, social workers and those specialist education professionals who will remain active during the Covid-19 response
- Public safety and national security. This includes civilians and officers in the police (including key contractors), Fire and Rescue Service, prison service and other national security roles
- Transport. This will include those keeping air, water, road and rail transport modes operating during the Covid-19 response
- Utilities and Communication. This includes staff needed for oil, gas, electricity and water (including sewage) and primary industry supplies, to continue during the Covid-19 response, as well as key staff in telecommunications, post and delivery, services and waste disposal
- Food and other necessary goods. This includes those involved in food production, processing, distribution and sale, as well as those essential to the provision of other key goods (e.g hygiene, medical etc)
- Key national and local government including those administrative occupations essential to the effective delivery of the Covid-19 response.