



Welcome Parents 2020

2nd Class



Welcome to all our parents

- Welcome to all the parents. We are delighted to be back at school and working with all the children.
- The team for 2nd class this year is:
 - Ms Boland, Ms Fox, Ms Kirrane and Ms Ryan.
- We would like to let you know what work your child will be doing in Second Class, the expectations we have for them and what you can do at home to support this.



Important Information

- Principal: Mr Martin Morris
- School Phone Number: 01 4524064
- School email address: admin@shjkillinarden.ie
- School website: www.sacredheartjns.ie
- 2nd class school times: 8:50 am – 2:30 pm



Important Information

- We must try to bring the children out to yard every day. Please ensure your child has a coat every day.
- If you need to collect your child early, please ring Sharon at 01 4524064 to arrange this.
- Please contact the office if you need to speak to a teacher. Sharon will help to organise a time that suits everyone.



General Information

- If any contact numbers or details change please inform the office at 01 4524064.
- PE day for 2nd class is Friday.
- Head lice – continuously check children's hair. If you do notice head lice, please ring the school secretary.
- We have a healthy eating policy in the school.



General Information

- An important focus this year is to keep all children and staff safe and well.
- We are following procedures recommended by the Department of Education and Skills.
- Please follow Covid 19 guidelines sent to your home by the principal, Mr Morris.



General Information

- Please label everything – permanent marker
- Book Money - 40 euro for every child
- Lunches –try encourage the children to eat the lunch provided in school.
- ATTENDANCE – very important



Daily Routine

- School starts at 8:50 for 2nd class – Morning Activities provide a great time for social interaction for the children.
- School finishes at 2:30 and the children are collected outside in the school yard.
- It is important that your child is collected at the given time.
- If someone different is collecting your child, please inform your child.



English

- As always there is a huge emphasis on oral language – talk about what they did at school, books they are reading etc. (After reading, ask, so what is happening in this book?)
- Please read with your children as often as you can, it's good for their imagination and vocabulary. It is crucial for children to hear fluent reading as often as possible.
- Listening skills – good listening skills are so important in school and its important to work on these at home too, for example following instructions with three parts.
- Encourage them to be good listeners in school. Model good listening skills too.



English

- Independent writing – ‘Have a go’. Encourage independent spelling.
- Jolly Phonics Programme – Emphasis is on knowing the sounds of the letters and the letter names – silent letters.
- Value good handwriting, encourage always trying your best at this.
- Reading – encourage them to read as much as possible with books that they choose.



Hand Writing

- Make sure letters are formed correctly.
- Letters must sit on the line.
- Capital letters at the start of sentences.
- Short sentences with full stops at the end of sentences.
- Neatness and pride in their writing, work and copies.



Maths

- Mental maths – encourage fast computation
- Counting forwards, counting backwards, counting in 2s, 5s and 10s
- Tens and units, doubles – $8+8=$, what is my number?
- Fun ways to develop maths at home – Board games, pack of cards, Dominoes, dice games, looking at coins in the shop, time on the clock, days and months etc
- Make maths real – problem solving focus
- Recognise problems can be written in a variety of ways.
- Take time to figure out what the question is asking.



Behaviour

- Be on time and be prepared
- Be fair, be friendly
- Sit when working, walk when moving
- Talk in the right way, at the right time
- Always do your best!
- Kind Hands, Kind Words, Kind Feet.
- Good behaviour in the school ensures a safe and happy environment where every child can reach their full potential.
- We believe in positive discipline, children are rewarded for keeping the rules. They receive stamps, certs, prizes and enjoy Golden Time every week.



Behaviour

- ◊ When rules are broken children are encouraged and reminded of the rules.
- ◊ Depending on the behaviour they may;
 - ◊ Lose Golden Time
 - ◊ Have some time out
 - ◊ Write an apology or a new plan



Online Education

- This year, we have decided that we will use **Seesaw** for online education.
- Please return the permission letter so that your child can engage with online education.
- We will send home an access code.
- We hope to give your child a weekly activity on Seesaw so that everyone can become familiar with Seesaw.

Delighted



- We are delighted to be back in school. We are so pleased to see all the wonderful children again. They have settled in so well.
- We miss chats with the parents. If you need to contact us, please ring the office or email the school. We will get back to you as soon as possible.
- Please talk to your child about school and reassure your child that everyone is working very hard to make sure school can stay open.

Thank
you!

A colorful, hand-drawn illustration of the words "Thank you!" in a playful, bubbly font. The letters are decorated with various patterns like stripes, polka dots, and dashed lines. The word "Thank" is in orange, yellow, and purple, while "you!" is in green, red, and blue. There are several colorful flowers (blue, pink, and purple) scattered around the text. The background is white, framed by a blue border with a yellow sun and blue clouds at the top.