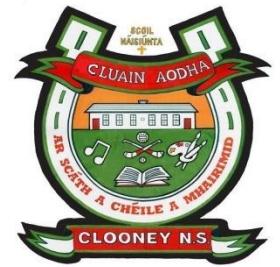


Clooney National School



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30th of September 2021

Dear Parent(s)/ Guardian(s),

First Confession and First Holy Communion

Congratulations the boys and girls who made their First Confession last week in the school hall with Fr. Tom Ryan. We are all looking forward to celebrating First Holy Communion on Saturday at 11 am in Clooney Church. We kindly ask that the communicants and their families arrive at the church for 10.45 am. In order to ensure that social distancing rules are adhered to each family will be assigned one pew to sit at. All adults are asked to wear a face covering for the ceremony. Thanks again to Mary Corbett (organist), Catherine Casey (soloist) and our choir Amy Collins, Éabha Hogan and Ella White for preparing beautiful music for Saturday's ceremony. Wishing all the communicants and their families a lovely weekend.

Community Games

Huge congratulations to Sophie Harrison on her fantastic achievements at the recent Community Games Regional and National Athletics Finals. We are all very proud of Sophie's wonderful results and are thrilled to have a national champion in our school. Well done Sophie!

Parents Association AGM

The AGM of the Parents Association (PA) will take place in the school hall on Thursday the October 7th at 8pm. To maintain social distancing a maximum of 20 parents can be accommodated in the hall. Please RSVP to clooneyns@gmail.com if you intend to attend the meeting by the 6th of October. Thank you.

The agenda for the meeting is as follows:

- Overview of PA activities
- Ratification of Constitution
- Principal's address
- Update on finances
- Plan so far for coming school year
- Election of new committee

It is hoped to keep the meeting to 40 minutes' maximum to limit contact time between persons present. Most of the current committee intend to step down due to time given, so if you are interested in being part of the main committee of the PA, please put your name forward at the AGM or beforehand if you cannot attend. The PA plays a vital role in supporting opportunities and activities for the children of the school.

Hurling

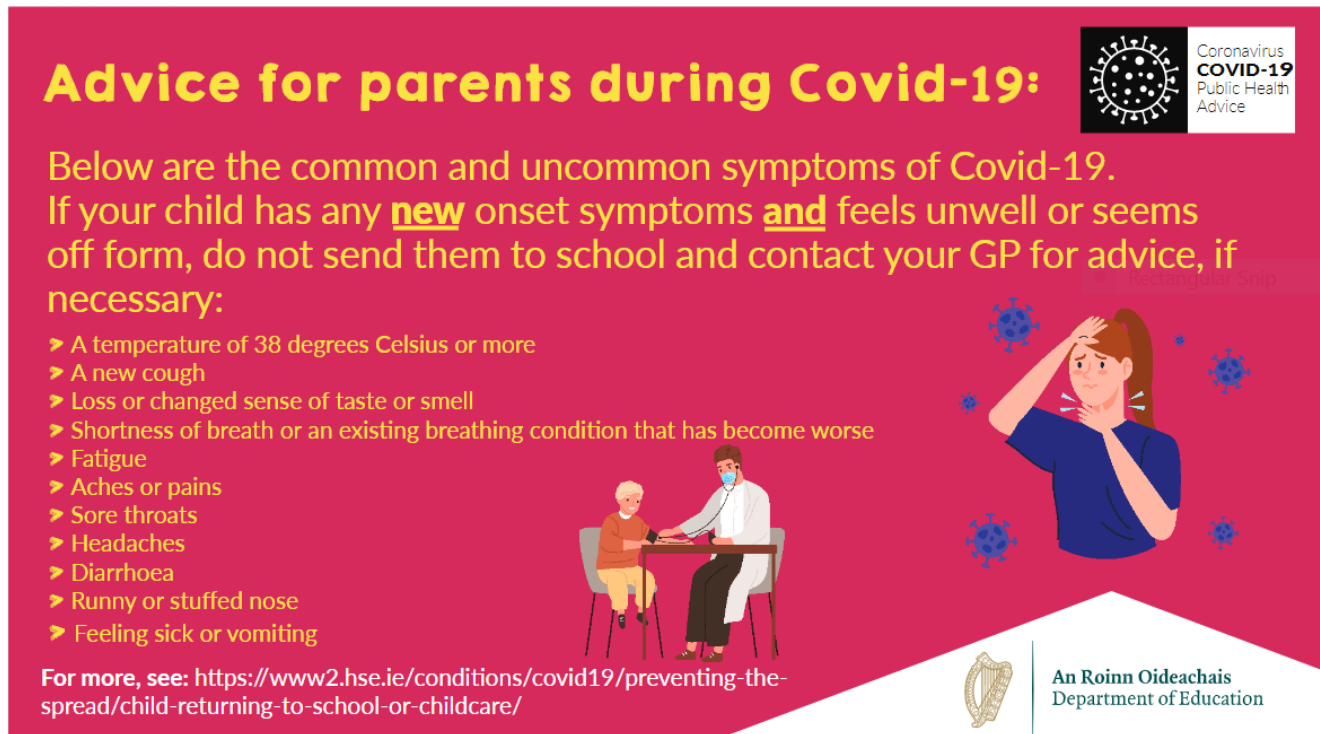
The boys and girls are currently enjoying some great hurling sessions with Pauline every Friday. It is hoped that we will be able to continue with these sessions as long as the weather permits. If the children have boots, they may bring them into school on Friday to wear out on the pitch. We would also ask that on Friday's all pupils bring a change of shoes and socks in case they get wet during the hurling sessions.

The Daily Mile

All classes are participating in a programme called The Daily Mile. This involves the children jogging or running at their own pace, around the schools for 15 minutes during the school day. Make sure you keep an eye out on the school's Twitter and Facebook pages for snapshots of our Daily Mile journey.

COVID 19

Please read the attached updated guidelines from the Dept. of Education in relation to COVID-19 and contact tracing. Thank you for your continued support in ensuring the school remains a safe learning and working environment for all.



Advice for parents during Covid-19:

Below are the common and uncommon symptoms of Covid-19. If your child has any **new** onset symptoms **and** feels unwell or seems off form, do not send them to school and contact your GP for advice, if necessary:

- A temperature of 38 degrees Celsius or more
- A new cough
- Loss or changed sense of taste or smell
- Shortness of breath or an existing breathing condition that has become worse
- Fatigue
- Aches or pains
- Sore throats
- Headaches
- Diarrhoea
- Runny or stuffed nose
- Feeling sick or vomiting

For more, see: <https://www2.hse.ie/conditions/covid19/preventing-the-spread/child-returning-to-school-or-childcare/>

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Allianz Insurance and contribution to Photocopying costs, Arts & Crafts and Book Rental

Thank you to everyone who has already paid the above bills either online or by cash. If you would like to arrange a planned, staged payment plan for books, photocopying etc. please contact the school principal in confidence. Thank you.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me by email (clooneyns@gmail.com) or by phone (065 6835806) and I will get back to you as soon as possible.

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Marie Minogue