

Citywest ETNS Zoom etiquette



Remember our school rules - they are still in place.



Set up your device in a quiet space, with no distractions.



Join the video with your microphone muted.



Raise your (virtual!) hand to speak.



Speak in your normal voice. Use kind and friendly words.



Listen to others while they are speaking.



Ensure you are appropriately dressed.



Be on time.



Pictures or recordings of the video call are not allowed.



Enjoy! Don't forget to wave hello when you join!

Citywest ETNS

Welcome to our school!



Government Guidelines

Please note that our government has announced that the return to school will be on a phased basis.

We are waiting to find out what this means. We will let parents know as soon as we have a plan based on those guidelines.

Moving school

Moving school is a big deal for any child.

Our experience is that most children cope well with one move. Most children who move to our school experience relief, connection and a feeling of belonging quite soon.

If your child has previously moved school and Citywest ETNS is not your ideal school, we recommend rethinking the proposed move and waiting for your ideal school.

Tell us if...

- Your child has been in receipt of support teaching or SNA/ANA support in their previous school.
- Has ever been excluded or suspended in their previous school.
- You have any other worries about your child settling into their new school.

This will NOT affect their place in our school but WILL allow us to put an appropriate plan in place for them to T them up for success.

The School Day



School for children in Infant classes is 8.25am to 1.05pm.
School for children in higher classes is 8.25am to 2.05pm.

We are on a shared campus so assembly and dismissal times are tight. Children should arrive between 8.25am and 8.35am.

The School Day



Children play in the yard for 20 minutes twice per day.
They eat a snack before or after yard.

They also have time in the PE Hall, running track,
basketball courts, library, outdoor classroom, vegetable
garden and support teaching rooms.

How much of that can continue remains to be seen.

Info for Parents



We would usually invite you to a Parent Evening in September. If it is not possible to do this in person, we hope to host it virtually.

Always read emails and texts from the school and make a note of future events or requirements.

The First Day- trust the teacher!

- A nominated teacher will meet your child on the first day and show them how to find their classroom, their teacher and their peers.
- We have a buddy system for children new to the school - they will be supported by a friend and a teacher.
- We hope that you (parents) find our community friendly as well - take the courage to say “Hello!” to a fellow parent and to become part of our community!

Your Child Needs...

1. Comfortable clothes (shoes with velcro?)
2. Lunch and drink in a school bag
3. A calm morning
4. Books as per book list on school website



Important Phrases to understand:

Make sure your child can **understand**

“Show me.”

“Yes.”

“No.”

“Stop.”



Important Phrases to say:

Make sure your child can **say, in English:**

“Help”

“Toilet”

“I am sick.”

“Stop.”

“My name is _____.”

“My teacher is _____.”

How to be a friend!

Your child needs to be able to say, hear and respect these words:

“Please stop. I don’t like it.”



Over the Summer...

- Talk about our school as a happy place where your child will have friends.
- Talk about moving school casually without making too big a deal of it. You can look at some videos on our website.
- If your child sees you upset or worried, they will think they should be upset and worried; if your child sees you calm and happy, they will know to be calm and happy.



Questions



If you have any further questions, check our website (www.citywestetns.ie) . There are lots of answers there!

If your plans change and you don't need the school place, inform the school in writing immediately.

We can't wait to meet you and your child in September! 🍌🍌🍌

Thank you!