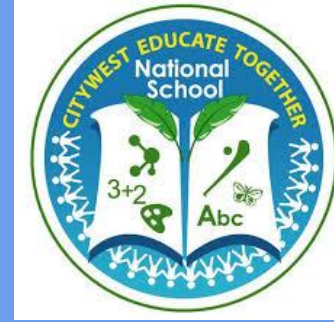


Citywest ETNS

Welcome to Junior Infants!
Let's talk about the first day!



Has your child spent time away from you?

Build up the length of time you are away from them so they know you will come back.

School will be scary for your child if it is the first time they have been away from you.

Over the summer

- Talk about school as a happy place where your child will have friends.
- Talk about school casually without making too big a deal of it.
- 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.

What happens next



School starts at 9.10am on Thursday 30th August

Parent Evening in September

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

First Day - trust the teacher!

- Parents invited to the class for 10 minutes
- Leave the classroom and go to the PE hall

If your child is upset, trust that the teacher will help your child to settle and will come and look for you if you are needed.

Most children settle easily once parents have gone.

What your child needs for school

1. Comfortable clothes, shoes with velcro
2. Lunch and drink in a school bag
3. A calm morning



Your child should be able to

- put on and take off coat
- open and close lunchbox and drink
- open and close trousers
- sit quietly for 20 minutes (without a screen)
- share toys



Toilet

Your child must be able to:

- toilet independently
- clean their own bottom and dress themselves again
- flush toilet, wash and dry hands
- respect the privacy of others



Important Phrases

Make sure your child can understand

“Show me.”

“Yes.”

“No.”

“Stop.”

Important Phrases

Make sure your child can say, in English:

“Help please.”

“Toilet”

“I am sick.”

“Stop.”

“My name is _____.”

“My teacher is _____.”

How to be a friend!

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

“Please stop. I don’t like it.”



Questions



If you have any further questions, check our website. There are lots of answers there!

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



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