

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!

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Welcome to Junior Infants!



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.

Starting school

We would usually recommend that you build up the length of time you are away from your child. Due to Covid-19, this may not have been possible.

In September, it may be daunting for your child to separate from you, particularly having spent the last few months at home.

Do use any opportunity to increase independence.

The School Day



Transition to school: Junior Infants usually have a shorter school day for the first 2 weeks. We are hoping to begin the new school year on Thursday 27th August.

It is possible that the start for children in Junior Infants will be a little later this year. Again, we will let you know when we know ourselves.

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!

- Usually, parents are invited to the class for 10 minutes
- Leave the classroom and go to the PE hall - we don't know if we can do that this year.

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.



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



Your child should be able to:

- Put on and take off their coat
- Open and close their lunchbox and drink
- Open and close trousers/clothing
- Sit quietly for 20 minutes (without a screen)
- Share toys



Tell us if...

- Your child is impulsive.
- Your child cannot follow a one- or two-step instruction.
- Your child runs away or needs their hand held in order to walk beside you.
- Your child's first reaction is to shout or hit.
- Your child has been excluded from a pre-school.
- Your child's pre-school applied for AIMS support for your child.

Toileting at School

Your child must be able to:

- Toilet independently
- Clean their own bottom and dress themselves again
- Flush the toilet, wash and dry their hands
- Respect the privacy of others



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 school as a happy place where your child will have friends.
- Talk about 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!