



# November Updates



## Dear parents/guardians

Welcome back after midterm. We hope you all had a fantastic break and would like to share some reminders and updates with you.

## Attendance



### Coming to school everyday:

Coming to school everyday is important as it creates a routine for your child and ensures continuity of teaching and learning.

As a school we aim to improve our attendance rates for the months of November and December.

Watch out for the initiatives and updates from Mr. O Mairtin our Home School Liaison Teacher.

## Board of Management Reminders

### Safety:



Our school is located in a busy spot. Please do not park in the entrance gate as this blocks the entry and exit of buses carrying children to our Sunflower Rooms. Please ensure that your child does not enter the staff carpark at any stage as it is unsafe to do so. The Cathedral Carpark provides free car parking for 20 minutes, and this is the preferred parking option. An Garda Siochana regularly patrol the area outside the school gate and monitor cars stopping and parking outside the school.



### Pedestrian Entrance:

The dedicated pedestrian entrance is provided so that you and your child can enter and exit the school safely on foot. Please always use the pedestrian entrance.



## Board of Management Reminder



- **Supervision:** Supervision is not provided outside of school hours and the Board of Management does not take responsibility for children who enter the school grounds outside of school hours. Your child remains your responsibility. The school grounds are a dog free and a smoke free zone. Children are not allowed to bring mobile phones to school. Adults are not permitted to take videos or photos on school grounds.





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## School hours



- 8:40 to 2:20 - 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th class
- 8:45 to 2:25. 1st and 2nd class
- 8:45 to 1:25 Junior and Senior Infants and Sunflower Classes

## Morning Routines

### Entry to school

- Members of management organise and supervise the entry of children to the school building each morning
- Children are asked to line up in class lines. A class name card is clearly visible.



Class lines enter the school building from the bottom of the ramp located at the main front door of the school in single line in reverse order, 6th 5th, 4th etc.

- The teachers of children in Junior and Senior Infants organise the class line outside at 8:40 and bring the children directly to the classroom.

## Contact details



- Have you moved house, changed phone number or email address?

Please give us your new contact details - **044 9341517**  
**admin@stmarysmullingar.ie**



## Reminders



- **School Photo Day** School Photographer is coming on Wednesday 6th November.
- **Snack time:** We have a snack break each day. Please send your child with a healthy snack, such as fruit or yogurt.
- **Weather Prep:** As the weather changes, please make sure your child dresses appropriately for the temperature and wears the school uniform everyday. Make sure your child brings a coat each day!





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## Reminders



- Thank you for using our booking system for our recent parent teacher meetings. We will be conducting an online survey shortly to review the booking system and parent teacher meetings. Should we use the booking system again?
- If you would like to speak to your child's teacher at anytime, please ring the office to make an appointment.
- If your child is absent from school please ring 0449341517 or email [admin@stmarysmullingar.ie](mailto:admin@stmarysmullingar.ie) to let us know.
- Mr. Sean O Mairtin is our Home School Liaison Teacher and he is available during school hours to talk to, work with and support parents/guardians. His mobile number is 0876380897 during school hours only.
- **School office hours** are 8:30 to 3:00 pm daily. Contact **0449341517** or email **[admin@stmarysmullingar.ie](mailto:admin@stmarysmullingar.ie)**
- Check out our school website [www.stmarysmullingar.ie](http://www.stmarysmullingar.ie) to keep up to date. We plan to incorporate a calendar into our website so you can keep up to date with our activities etc.
- Thank you as always for all your interest, help and support. It is really appreciated by everyone.

