



Ard Rí Community National School

Ard Rí C.N.S, Balreask Old, Navan, Co. Meath.

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Dear Ard Rí Community,

Happy Halloween to everyone. I am sure you are all coming up with creative ways to continue your Halloween traditions. The Roe family are planning Hallway Trick or Treating, where we place a little treat behind each bedroom door, followed by a family movie night.

Thankfully schools will reopen after midterm break. Take a few minutes to make sure school books are back in bags and ready to roll for Monday morning.

You may have heard in the media that Department of Education and Department of Agriculture have recommended that the use of Viro Pro- a hand sanitiser available from the Department of Education PPE framework, cease immediately. The concern is some bottles of the product contain methanol rather than ethanol/ alcohol. In August we purchased small 100ml bottles of hand sanitiser for teachers and SNAs to have in their pocket for personal use throughout the day. These were the Viro Pro product. We received a complimentary 1l bottle of Viro Pro hand sanitiser with the order. Approximately 300ml of this bottle has been used. Upon receiving the recall from Department of Education on Thursday 22.10.2020 we ceased using all Viro Pro products immediately. A further 50+ products have been recalled from the framework this week. We have not been using any of these products.

In every class there are wall mounted or foot activated hand sanitiser available. These are the hand sanitisers used by the children, entering and leaving their room. All these dispensers contain approved hand sanitiser. We also use a foaming handwash in our washrooms- this range of products is not affected by the recall either. We have more than enough sanitiser products in stock to continue to operate the school safely.

We look forward to seeing you all on Monday.

Enjoy the rest of your weekend,

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