

COVID-19 Policy Statement

Ard Rí Community National School is committed to providing a safe and healthy workplace for all our staff and a safe learning environment for all our pupils. To ensure that, we have developed and updated the following COVID-19 Response Plan. The BOM and all school staff are responsible for the implementation of this plan and a combined effort will help contain the spread of the virus. We will:

- continue to monitor our COVID-19 response and amend this plan in consultation with our staff
- provide up to date information to our staff and pupils on the Public Health advice issued by the HSE and Gov.ie
- display information on the signs and symptoms of COVID-19 and correct hand-washing techniques
- agree with staff, a lead worker representative (LWR) who is easily identifiable to carry out the role outlined in this plan
- inform all staff and pupils of essential hygiene and respiratory etiquette and physical distancing requirements
- adapt the school to facilitate physical distancing as appropriate in line with the guidance and direction of the Department of Education
- keep a contact log to help with contact tracing
- ensure staff engage with the induction / familiarisation briefing provided by the Department of Education
- implement the agreed procedures to be followed in the event of someone showing symptoms of COVID-19 while at school
- provide instructions for staff and pupils to follow if they develop signs and symptoms of COVID-19 during school time
- implement cleaning in line with Department of Education advice
- All school staff will be consulted on an ongoing basis and feedback is encouraged on any concerns, issues or suggestions.

This can be done through the Lead Worker Representative(s), who will be supported in line with the agreement between the Department and education partners.

Signed: Yemi Adenuqa

Date: 28.09.2021

Chairperson of Board of Management

Signed: Darraagh Roe

Date: 28.09.2021

School Principal

Source: [Covid19 Response Plan for Primary and Special Schools](#)

Board of Management Policy Consultation Log

Please present this form to your BOM when considering the policy at BOM level for ratification

School:	<i>Ard Rí Community National School</i>
Policy:	<i>Ard Rí Covid 19 Policy Statement- September 2021</i>

Staff Consultation:

Date of Final Consultation:	27.09.2021
Proposed By:	<i>Karen Dunne (Staff Member)</i>
Seconded By:	<i>Eimear Maguire (Staff Member)</i>

Parents Consultation:

Date of Final Consultation:	27.09.2021
Proposed By:	<i>Shelley Mercer (Parent Association Member)</i>
Seconded By:	<i>Ciara McManus (Parent Association Member)</i>

BOM & LMETB Ratification/Resolution Process for This Policy

BOM Ratification

<i>Date Ratified by the Board of Management:</i>	28.09.2021
<i>Proposed By:</i>	Yemi Adenuga
<i>Seconded By:</i>	Avril Byrne
<i>Signed:</i>	<i>Yemi Adenuga (Chairperson, BOM)</i>

LMETB Ratification/Resolution of the ETB Board

<i>Date of Resolution of ETB Board</i>	
<i>Signed</i>	<i>(Chairperson)</i>