

Polasaí maidir le Páistí Tinn

All parents/guardians of students attending Coláiste na Rinne are required to complete a Health Questionnaire. This is an online form which is sent directly to the parents and the completed form is sent back to the nurses. The information is then collated and updated and the nurses inform all relevant staff of any pertinent information.

Any particular medical concerns will involve a discussion between the parents/guardians and the Coláiste nurses. Any special arrangements for the care of that child, or any staff training for any particular chronic condition will be arranged if feasible (for example, the use of an epi-pen).

Coláiste Nurses

We employ three nurses who 'job share'. They are registered nurses who hold current NMBI registration. They are responsible for the provision of healthcare to all student's. One of the nurses is always 'on call' to attend to accidents or emergencies and to look after students who are unwell. The Coláiste nurse(s) will decide if a child is unfit to play games.

The nurse is in their office 3 times throughout the day for regular medication distribution and for other ailments to be attended to. These times are directly after breakfast (08.30), dinner (13.30) and tea (18.30). The nurse also supervises in the dining room while the children are eating.

What happens if your child needs urgent medical attention?

If your child requires urgent medical attention while under our care we will try to contact you. The nurse will assess whether a G.P appointment will be sufficient, or in the case of an emergency these services will be called.

<u>Circumstances</u> where we may require you to keep your child away from the Coláiste.

If the Coláiste so requires due to a health risk either presented by your child to others or presented to your child by others or by reason of a virus, pandemic, epidemic or other health risk, you may be required to keep your child at home and not permit him/her to return to the Coláiste until such time as the health risk has passed.

The Coláiste Doctor

Coláiste na Rinne uses the GP services of Shandon Medical Centre in Dungarvan town (approx. 9km). Should your child require the services of a GP the nurse on duty will make an appointment with the Medical Centre. Students will travel to the Medical Centre with a Cinnire by taxi. Parents/guardians are liable for all costs incurred and these payments must be made in advance. (Taxi, GP & Pharmacy (if applicable)).

Medical Alerts

A list of pupils with specific medical conditions is made available to all staff.

Should a student become sick while in the Coláiste:

The nurse will make a decision as to whether the student is fit enough to attend classes/activities or whether they are required to stay in bed.

If a student is sent back to bed because of illness they:



- Change into their nightwear and get into bed.
- A cinnire will check on the sick student every 15/30 minutes or according to the nurses recommendation and sign the 'Tinn sa Leaba' sheet which is on the notice board in the main office. The nurse will leave clear instructions for the Cinnire to follow assessing each child case by case.
- Water, disposable vomit bowls and tissues will be provided for students.
- The nurse is on call should the student deteriorate. A decision will be made whether a G.P is needed.
- Parents will be notified if a G.P visit is required.
- On occasion parents/guardians may be requested to collect their child from the Coláiste should they be diagnosed with an illness that will last longer than a couple of days.

Sínithe:

(Cathaoirleach)

Dáta: 27/25/2

Sinithe:

Stiúrthóir

Dáta: 27/5/23