



ST KEVIN'S COLLEGE

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Dear Parent/Guardian and Student,

As I write we are working hard to prepare the school for your return and we are looking forward to seeing you all. There is some building configuration going on at the moment and we cannot welcome back all students until we have all our classrooms available to us. We have decided to stagger the start of the school year a little more than normal to allow the boys to adjust to the new procedures at school and to allow us all the time and space to re-connect again.

There is lots going on at the moment. We are moving furniture and materials into storage to allow us to space out student desks per the guidelines. I will upload some pictures of the classrooms next week. I will share a few details with you now of some changes we are making: staggered break and lunch (will explain in more detail in due course), increased space around desks, increased cleaning and sanitising regime, hand sanitisers in every room, blue roll and anti-viral spray in every room. The building works to create 4 classrooms from the library and canteen begins this weekend. We have purchased a device for each staff member to use and have procured online training to better prepare us for potential blended or remote learning in the future. I will be creating staff, student and parent information leaflets with details of procedures for various school activities. We have moved to student based rooms that are in year group pools. Students will not have access to lockers for the foreseeable future. We will coordinate where possible what books we are bringing to school. We are working hard to allow the boys the best learning experience possible within the guidelines.

Public health advice changed again this week and we are yet to receive new guidelines to take this into account. We are waiting on Student and Parent information videos from the Department of Education and Skills and more information about aspects of assessment and curriculum so there may be changes to come. We are also waiting on our delivery of PPE and sanitiser from the Procurement process. We hope this will arrive this week.

All staff and students are required to wear a facemask in the corridors and classrooms as we cannot maintain a 2m distance. If any students may be entitled to an exemption (on medical grounds) please contact me at the school to discuss if this can be granted and a visor can be worn. This is limited to medical conditions that prevent someone from wearing a mask.

I will send more information over the next week so you can discuss aspects of school life at home together to prepare.



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I know many of you share concerns about returning to school for all our community. We are following the government guidelines and working hard to make St Kevin's as safe as it can be. Rest assured we will come back to you with details at the earliest opportunity. Please do not come to the school at this time without arrangement. Please understand there may be a delay with answering emails/phone calls etc. at this time.

See table below for return to school dates:

Date	Time	Event
Monday 31.8.20	9:30 -11:30	6 th Year Student Induction
Tuesday 1.9.20	9:30 – 11:30	3 rd Year Student Induction
	1:30 - 3:30	2 nd Year Student Induction
Wednesday 2.9.20	9:30 – 11:30	1 st Year Student Induction
Thursday 3.9.20	8:42 – 1:05	Class as normal 3 rd and 6 th Year only
	9:30 – 11:30	5 th Year Student Induction
Friday 4.9.20	8:42 – 1:05	Class as normal 3 rd and 6 th Years only
	9:30 – 11:30	Transition Year Induction
Monday 7.9.20	8:42-1:05	Class as normal 1 st and 2 nd Year only
	11:05-3:35	Class as normal TY and 5 th Year only
Tuesday 8.9.20	8:42-3:35	Class as normal for all years

Looking forward to seeing your son soon.

Best Wishes from myself and Mr Rooney.

Warmest Regards,

Sarah Barry, Principal.