

24/02/2021

Dear Parent/ Carer,

Following the Government's announcement on Monday that all schools will fully reopen on 8th March, I am writing to provide further information regarding this.

On Monday 8th March, we are expecting all students to return and hence we must ensure all relevant COVID safety measures are met including:

- Face masks will be worn by all secondary age students in communal areas of the school at all times
- Face masks will be worn by all secondary age students in classrooms
- All students must agree to having their temperature taken on arrival
- All students must agree to use hand sanitisers on arrival and throughout the day whenever requested
- Social distancing must be adhered to whenever possible by students
- All parents/ carers must adhere to the national COVID safety measures and if a child is showing symptoms prior to leaving for school then they must be kept off and tested using a PCR test ASAP and not return until negative results have been received
- Self-isolation rules must be adhered to when required to ensure the safety of other students and staff

As well as the above, all secondary aged students are entitled to testing in the first two weeks back on school site and then home testing kits will be provided. We strongly urge that all parent/ carers consent to their child being tested at school and also to using the home testing kits for everyone's safety moving forward. More details will follow in regard to the home testing when these are available.

We realise the past few months have been an extremely anxious time for everyone and we hope with all the measures listed above, we can support a successful return to school.

If you have any concerns at this stage, please do not hesitate to contact the school and we will discuss these with you.

We will continue to communicate with you to ensure there is absolute clarity in regard to 8th March and full reopening.

Yours faithfully

Mr Philip Tagoe
Head of School

