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Dear Parent(s) / Guardian(s),

We are really looking forward to having all of our students back in school on Monday. I know that any of the students I have been talking to are looking forward to getting back as well - to catch up with their friends etc.

I want to assure you, once again, that we continue to take all necessary precautions in line with DES / HSE guidelines to prevent Covid from spreading in our school. These have already been detailed in the letter posted here on September 17th 2020. We'll have just a few small changes as we face in to this last term of 2020/'21:

- For the time being, only Sixth Years are allowed leave school grounds at lunch break. We will review this after the first week back.
- The two halls in the Mayflower are available to students for lunch. They can either bring their own lunch or place an order with Centra, from the Mayflower at small break, for delivery at lunch time. Students should have their own snack for the small break. When the weather permits, we'll encourage students to lunch on the benches outside.
- In recognition that some students may have outgrown their uniforms at this stage, we do understand that those students may not have a full uniform or black shoes for the rest of the school year. We just ask that those students keep a note from you to confirm same in their diaries available on request to a Year Head or teacher. Those students that still have fitting uniforms should continue to wear them and those that don't should wear something as appropriate as possible for school.
- PE will continue outdoors on the astro-turf.

We are grateful for your continued co-operation as before:

- By reminding your child of hand hygiene, to use sanitiser regularly and to wear a clean mask to school every day.
- By not sending your child to school if he/she has any flu like symptoms, cough etc.
- By only calling to the school for essential reasons and when doing so, to ring the doorbell and wait outside the front door until attended to.
- By using the VSware app to notify any absence. Alternatively you can send an e mail to the Year Head.

• By being contactable by phone and able to make arrangements to collect your child from school if requested to do so.

Sean and I will be meeting all First, Second and Third Years on Monday morning to welcome them back and to remind them of procedures.

You should shortly receive a link by text to a "Return to School" form that needs to be completed and submitted for every student. Where there is more than one student from your household you'll need to repeat the procedure for each. This needs to be done before Monday morning and should only take a minute.

If you have any concerns or queries, please e mail either Sean or I at the addresses above.

Yours faithfully,

Martin Fallon

Principal