



St. Mary's Secondary School, Edenderry - Re-opening Update for Parents

This is a short summary of our full preparations and intentions for our reopening of the school. Thanks to everyone who are working hard to support a safe reopening of our school. Everything here is based on current HSE and Department of Education Advice and is subject to change at short notice. The full Covid Response Plan will be available on the school website

19th August 2020



Students should be dropped off at Sports Hall side of the school after 8.45 am. Pick up from the same side, maintaining 2m distance.



All students must go to assigned areas.



Pupils are encouraged to walk or cycle to school.



To pick up a child during school hours, please phone first. Do not enter the school. All visits to the school are by appointment only



Class rooms have been reconfigured **where possible** to allow for 1 metre distancing during the lesson.



Any behaviour that impedes on the health and safety of others will result in a strong sanction



All staff will complete COVID induction training. All students will receive precise instructions regarding precautions and behaviour



As per current guidelines, all students and staff will wear a face covering. Regular breaks will be allowed



Students must wear school uniform each day; it is not necessary to wash uniform each day. The PE uniform may be used occasionally. Details to follow



Pupils and staff will wash their hands regularly, using proper technique.



Everyone will use the hand sanitiser provided on entry and exit of each classroom.



Pupils must be kept home with **high temperature, cough, breathing difficulties or loss of taste or smell**. Pupils should also be kept home if generally unwell.



Pupils should stay home for 14 days after returning from a country not on the Green List (even if testing negative for Covid 19)



If showing symptoms, a pupil will be isolated and parents called. Parents must collect the student immediately and contact GP.



Students are responsible for appropriate physical distancing where possible. They must behave responsibly at all times.



Pupils cannot share any books or stationery. There will be no access to lockers for the first term



Any shared resources will be wiped down at the end of the day.



The school Canteen Service will not operate for the First Term

ALL PARENTS MUST CHECK SCHOOL APP REGULARLY FOR FURTHER NOTIFICATIONS