

## **St Conleth's Return to School Protocols for Pupils and Parents**

Please note that these new arrangements will be under constant review and we will let you know of any changes.

\*\*\* If any student is feeling unwell and displays any of the Covid-19 symptoms they should not attend school. Please contact [ahopkins@stconleths.ie](mailto:ahopkins@stconleths.ie) and [lennonr@stconleths.ie](mailto:lennonr@stconleths.ie) and let them know of the situation. \*\*\*

\*\*\* Any student who has been abroad in the past two weeks must self-isolate for a fortnight and inform the school of same. There are no exceptions to this rule.\*\*\*

\*\*The following protocols and guidelines have been devised in an effort to adhere to statutory requirements and to maintain the safety of all while ensuring that all our students have a positive experience in school.\*\*\*

Up to date information

### **Face Coverings**

- All students returning to school in St Conleths must wear face covering.
- We ask that all students bring a pack with them everyday. Included in the pack should be two face masks a small hand sanitizer and some wipes. Please wash face masks at the end of each day.
- Students must wear face coverings in the school building at all times. There will be dedicated face mask breaks.
- The school will have a back up supply of masks if needed.
- A student removing or refusing to wear a face covering will be deemed to be in serious breach of school rules. They will be asked to remain at home.

### **Suspected Covid-19 Case in school:**

- During the school day if any student is feeling unwell they will be accompanied to the Isolation Room by a teacher.
- Parents will be contacted and the student must be collected immediately.
- Students will not be permitted to go home alone.
- On your arrival phone Rachel at reception and your child will be sent out to you.

## **Visiting School**

- Visiting school is by appointment only.
- All appointments to be made through the Principal.

## **Student Guidelines and Protocols**

### **Hand Hygiene**

- There are hand sanitisers in every room of the school
- There are hand sanitizers in various areas throughout the school.
- Hand cleaning and sanitizing is one of the key elements in preventing the spread of the Covid-19 Virus. As a rule students should hand sanitise on entering a room.
- Students will wipe down their desk when leaving the classomm.
- They must carry there pack with them at all times.

### **Social Distancing:**

- Where possible all students must try to maintain 2 metres physical distance from each other.
- There will be one way systems and different exits routes that will be explained to pupils on their return to school.
- In the classroom all students must sit at the same desk each day.
- Please note guidance on face coverings
- Increasing separation is a key element in stopping the spread of the virus.

### **Drop off/Pick Up**

- If driving to school please try not to drop off at the school gate. Maybe organize a pick up down the road.
- Only students may come inside the school gate. Any appointments must be made in advance.
- If a student has forgotten an item for school let Rachel know by email only. Do not drop into the school.

### **Classrooms**

- All class year groups have been allocated home- based classrooms.
- They go straight to that classroom each morning and sit at their designated seat.
- Students will be supervised at all times and encouraged to avoid congregating in hallways, corridors and in the vicinity of the school and local area.

## **Lockers**

- There will be no use of lockers on our return.
- Students will not need to bring in as many books as they usually had to. There will be designated days for certain books.

## **Homework**

- Homework will be completed and corrected through Google Classroom. Students will receive guidance in how to upload and access homework and notes etc.

## **Uniform**

- There is no change in the uniform rules. Students are to wear PE uniform on PE days.

## **Lunch and small break**

- As is the norm 3/4/5/6 are allowed leave the school at lunchtime. 1 and 2<sup>nd</sup> Year have designated yards at lunchtime.
- We will inform students of any ongoing changes to small break.

## **Canteen**

- There will be a menu and ordering system in place for students. This will be sent to you at a later date. Canteen food will resume on Monday 7 of September.

## **Sport/Extra curricular Activities/Supervised Study**

There will be no extra curricular activities or after school study during the first full week September 7-11. The school will be in touch once these activities can resume safely.

## **Labelling**

Please label all items including school uniform, books, lunchboxes, pens etc.

## **Behaviour**

As you are aware we have high expectations of all our students in St Conleths.

Not adherence to the school guidelines and code of behaviour will not be tolerated.

Please ensure that you are familiar with the St Conleths Code of Behaviour to be found on [www.stconleths.ie](http://www.stconleths.ie) under the heading School Rules and Policies

