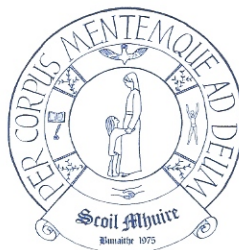


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Dear Parents/Guardians,

We hope you are all keeping safe and well. This is the third of four weekly letters I am posting on the website and uploading to Aladdin Connect to keep parents/guardians up to date with our school reopening plans.

As previously stated we will open on Monday August 31st for all pupils . There will be a staggered start on the first day because all children will not be aware of the particular entrance door to his/her classroom so the staggered start will avoid having a large group of children congregated at the front or rear of the school.

On day one 3rd classes will come in for 9am, 4th classes for 9.45am, 5th classes for 11.15am and 6th classes for 12.15. Any child who knows where his/her new classroom is can line up outside the classroom door while the other children will wait at the front of the school and be guided by the school staff to the correct entrance. School will begin for everyone at 9am daily from day two onwards. For the first few weeks in order to avoid having all the children leaving the school at the same time, 6th classes will leave at 2.20pm, followed by 5th, then 4th and finally 3rd who will leave no later than 2.40pm.

The full return to school plan specific to our school will be posted on the website early next week and also uploaded to Aladdin Connect. We will also upload a video showing how the children should enter the school, where the hand sanitisers are, the revised classroom layouts and so on in order to ease any anxieties the children might have.

I have had a few enquiries about tracksuits and uniforms. Our policy regarding school clothes remains unchanged. We just ask parents to be sensible about what they can and cannot do. There is no directive from the Department of Education and Skills that clothes have to be washed daily. However frequent washing is advised so if on a particular day the tracksuit or the uniform is in the washing machine or dryer your child can come to school in everyday clothes. This of course wouldn't be happening regularly.

We have had a very busy summer and I can assure you that everything possible is being done to make your child's return to school as safe and as normal as we can.

Parents/Guardians and school staff have worked hard together since the school closed last March to provide as good an educational experience as possible for all the children in the school and please God we will continue to support each other.

Take care of yourselves and stay safe.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Gerry King', written over a horizontal line.

Gerry King.

Principal