

St. Cuan's College



6th August 2020

Dear Parents and Guardians

I hope this email finds you well. Firstly, I would like to offer my deepest sympathies to all families that have lost a loved one since the school closed in March. Please know that the school community is here to support everyone and once we return to school I do hope that we will be able to provide support to any student and family that need that support.

The last few months have been a very challenging time for all of us and as we prepare to return to school it is important to remember that Covid 19 is still among us and we must all work together to ensure we get through this.

Following the publishing of the Return to School documentation last week we are working hard at present to prepare the school for the return of students in early September. We are working to ensure the building is safe for the return of both staff and students.

As a starting point in order to develop routines, practices, and complete training for all, school staff will be in training on Monday 31st and Tues 1st Sept.

First Years will return on Wed. 2nd Sept.
Leaving Certs Thurs 3rd Sept.
5th Year students on Friday 4th Sept.
2nd and 3rd years on Monday 7th Sept.
TY students on Wed. 9th Sept.

This is to allow the development and working through with students of the return to school Covid protocols for all students.

There will be many changes in routines and practices and in order to minimise the effects of these changes we will need to meet with students in as small groups as possible.

We will be making changes to classrooms and school layout over the next few weeks and while our aim is to have all ready for the above dates for students and staff to return safely, **you will be notified if the above dates have to be revised.**

As a school community, we are looking forward to returning to school, and please be assured that we will do all in our power to keep staff and students safe, happy and healthy as we return.

However, there may be some students that are at present medically unfit to return, please notify me by return email if your Son/Daughter has medical issues or any other issues we should be aware of, that may delay their return, so that a plan can be put in place for them to continue their education online or whatever method most suitable moving forward.

I am aware many parents may have concerns but please rest assured we will do everything in our power to make the return to school safe for all.

Finally, thank you to all our school community parents, students and staff for all the help and cooperation over the last few months and I look forward to seeing everyone back and settling in school over the month of Sept.

God Bless and stay safe.

Please continue to check the website, stcuans.ie for all updates and new information. Please also feel free to email me with any concerns you may have.

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Principal