



Bulletin 2 for Parents/Guardians – 24th August 2021

Re-opening Summary for Parents (Please read this with our students)

- School will start at **8:50am**. ALL Students must enter through the front door and go straight to their first class of the day (except practical class rooms for H&S reasons i.e. Woodwork, Metalwork, Home Ec, Science Lab, TG room or Art room).
- The Back to School Schedule is available on www.ramsgrangecommunityschool.ie
- **If you drive your child to school, you are being requested to drop them AFTER 8.30am. Buses arrive earlier and we must stagger entry to the school.**
- The school cannot allow all non-essential visits. You must phone the office in advance and make an appointment with Orla or Bridget in our office (051) 389211 if you wish to:
 - pick your child up from school for a pre-arranged appointment.
- The school discourages all one-to-one contact or meetings with teachers, the Deputy Principal and Principal. All business, unless urgent, must be dealt with over the phone first.
- Everyone will be required to sanitise and WASH their hands regularly throughout the school day. We ask that students also carry their own hand sanitizer if possible in their school bag.
- Last year the school plumbing was upgraded to provide warm water for washing hands. We have installed over 20 hand sanitising stations throughout the school.
- Students will sanitise their seat, desk and/or work-station/computer etc. at the end of each class under the supervision of the teacher. We have purchased sanitizing spraying/fogging machines and they will be used at the end of each school day in each room. The school will continue be cleaned more regularly, including touch points and surfaces.
- Students cannot share any materials with other students. **PLEASE LABEL EVERYTHING.**
- Students will be expected to wash their **hands regularly, socially distance and always wear a plain, no logo mask (except school mask) in the corridors and classrooms.**
- A one-way system is in place to direct students around the school. Signage will give clear guidance to students.
- **Lockers will not be provided to any student** and students must bring in the relevant books for each day. 1-hour classes mean a reduction to 6 classes per day.
- We encourage all students to download the HSE Covid tracing App.
- The School Food Company will operate a cashless system as last year. Students can only avail of free breakfast and lunch using their school fob. You must top up the fob with money in order to buy anything extra. www.schoolfoodcompany.ie
- The school operates a 'stay at home if you feel unwell' policy for students.
- A **full**, clean uniform is expected every day and this policy will be **strictly enforced**. Students are required to wear school jacket/ or half zip. No other jacket allowed. In order to allow extra ventilation for safety purposes, classroom windows may be opened. If students are cold they should wear extra layers under their uniform.

Please talk through all of these points with your son/daughter. This is a team effort and we simply cannot do it without your support and your child's compliance – Thank you! Ms. O' Connor.