

## **Bulletin 10 for Parents/Guardians**

#### 05-01-2022

Dear Parents / Guardians,

I am writing to inform you that our school is open as normal tomorrow.

Thank you to our students and staff who make our school a safe place to be. The following terms are very busy especially for our exam year groups.

You can track your child's progress on VSWare – if you have any issue accessing VSWare please contact our HSCL Ms. Sharon McDermott.

As we head into this term, please remember the following public health advice:

# We are asking you to please:

- 1. Please keep an eye on their health and to check for symptoms of COVID-19. Symptoms of Covid-19 can include some or all of the following fever (temperature of 38°C or higher), cough, shortness of breath, any loss or change to the senses of smell or taste, headache, sore throat, or a runny nose. If any pupil develops these symptoms, they must self-isolate and contact their GP for advice regarding a COVID-19 test.
- 2. Public Health Encourages all those who are eligible for vaccination within your school community to access appropriate information around this (available at <a href="https://www2.hse.ie/screening-and-vaccinations/covid-19-vaccine/">https://www2.hse.ie/screening-and-vaccinations/covid-19-vaccine/</a>
  ) For those wishing to arrange vaccination, they can do so at either:
- a. Register using the HSE Vaccine portal (<a href="https://vaccine.hse.ie/#register">https://vaccine.hse.ie/#register</a>)
- b. **OR** phone the HSE at 1800 700 700

# PLEASE PLEASE do NOT send your child to school if they display ANY of these symptoms:

## Common symptoms of COVID-19 include:

- a fever (high temperature 38 degrees Celsius or above)
- a new cough this can be any kind of cough, not just dry
- shortness of breath or breathing difficulties
- loss or change to your sense of smell or taste this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

However – if your child is at home as a precautionary measure, it is very important that they keep up to date with school work. Teachers post work every day onto TEAMS and all students have access to this.

Happy New Year to you all,

Rachel O' Connor,

Principal.