



Coláiste Dún Iascaigh

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31st May 2022

Dear parent/guardian,

May Letter

As we approach the end of year can I take this opportunity to thank you for your help, consideration, and cooperation throughout the year. It has been difficult at times easing our way out of Covid restrictions and returning to 'normal' in as far as was possible. It has given us great pleasure here at the Coláiste to have welcomed parents & guardians back to school with Parent Teacher meetings and our recent Sixth Year Graduation and Awards Evening. To be able to bring the three facets of the educational journey together once more in the school was a wonderful way to conclude the year. Our end of year examinations are running at the moment and I thank the students for their participation and excellent behaviour.

On behalf of all staff in the Coláiste I wish our students a happy and restful summer break when their **final examinations/school year concludes on Thursday 2nd June.**

In the meantime, the following will be of interest to you.

Term Reports

Term Reports will be issued online via our online Vsware Parent App and a hard copy will be posted out with a very detailed June Information letter regarding all policies and procedures for day-to-day operation of the Coláiste in September. Please download from the relevant Play Store. Reports will issue towards the end of June.

Vsware Parent App

There have been some issues regarding the web-based platform for Vsware, however the App is working effectively, and going forward this is the preferred option that parents/guardians would use.

In the coming year we will be phasing out text messages in favour of the Parent App.

Link to Parents App:

<https://youtu.be/OrTgTCONbWE>

Book Scheme 1st Years and 5th Years

Our Book scheme will continue the coming academic year and the cost will issue with our June Letter.

A list will be issued with the June Letter outlining all extra materials required for each subject so that these can be purchased over the summer months.

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School Uniform

A **uniform drop** for third- and sixth-year students will occur in June once these students have completed their final examinations. Further information will follow.

Please be aware that Uniform World in Clonmel have asked us to flag to parents/guardians the need to go to their store asap due to difficulties in the supply chain.

Yondr

The school is investigating Yondr for mobile phone use for students in the coming year. With this system students will scan their mobile devices into a pouch where it remains sealed for the day. Teachers who wish to use phones in class will then have the option of unsealing the pouches with a mobile scanner and resealing at the end of class. This will create a phone free space for students and consequently any associated distractions. Please see the attached link:

<http://overyondr.com/>

Return to School

We will invite all parents/guardians to a meeting with their children on their first day of school in the coming year. This was piloted in 2019-2020 and we found it to be hugely beneficial. Further information and dates will issue with the school calendar in June.

Parents Association

I want to thank our Parents Association for all their hard work throughout the year, and a special thank you to all the parents and guardians who completed the Parent & Guardian survey this term. All feedback is welcomed and will be worked upon.

State Examinations

We would like to wish our Third- & Sixth-Year students the very best of wishes in their upcoming Junior & Leaving Certificate Examinations. No doubt it hasn't been the easiest of journeys for them, but the resilience borne out of the last few years will stand to them throughout the examinations. As ever, our doors remain open to our students throughout the exams, and we are happy to help in any way we can.

Please see attached link for the Timetables for Junior and Senior Certificate Examinations.

[gov.ie](http://www.gov.ie) - Leaving Certificate Examination Timetable 2022 (www.gov.ie)

<https://www.gov.ie/en/publication/38a97-junior-cycle-examination-timetable-2022/>

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