

Coláiste Dún Iascaigh

Bothar Caisil, An Chathair, Co. Thiobraid Árann

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Return to School 2022

Dear Parent/Guardian,

I hope the summer was enjoyable and that your son/daughter is looking forward to returning to school refreshed and energized for the year ahead.

Please see below information for the return to school.

The following are our return dates for students. All school days will finish at 1.05pm during the first week. Staff Planning Meetings will be scheduled for each afternoon.

Please note that there will be an information session for parents/guardians from 8.50am to 9.30am the morning each year group returns with Principal, Deputies, Year Head, and each classes Connect Teachers.

This will take place in our PE Hall. This session should ensure that students/parents/guardians and school staff are all clear on our values, expectations, supports and procedures for the year ahead. These were very well received when last done three years ago.

Dates:

- Tuesday 30th of August 1st year induction 8.50am to 1.05pm
- Wednesday 31st of August 6th year induction 8.50am to 1.05pm (NOTE: no school for 1st Years)
- Thursday 1st of September 3rd year induction 8.50am to 1.05pm. 1st Years also present
- Friday 2nd of September 2nd year induction 8.50am to 1.05pm. 1st,3rd and 6th Years also present.
- Monday 5th of September 5th year induction (full school day 1st,2nd,3rd,6th Years also present)
- Tuesday 6th of September TY induction full school day and all other year groups present.
- QQI Classes return with their Year Groups

Buses are running next week at times the school opens and closes for students. Buses will drop and collect students at the back of the school.

Timetables:

These will be released next week on VSware for all students and parents.

VSware Parent App:

Please download the app on your phone as this year all communications from school will be issued through the App. There will be very limited texts going forward to phones.

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Canteen:

I new canteen will open in the school in October. Please see link below to our new provider. Delays in sourcing equipment have been the reason for not opening next week.

https://schoolfoodcompany.ie/

Uniform, Dress and Appearance:

- Student must be in full uniform each school/examination day. This is a public statement of your intent to
 engage with learning in the Coláiste.
- No facial piercings allowed and only stud piercings in ears.
- School Tracksuit can only be worn on the day of PE Class.
- Hoodies not permitted in school.
- Jackets cannot be worn during class time unless otherwise indicated by school management.
- Hairstyles should not be extreme in colour or have shaved patterns. (If in doubt contact Deputy Principal)
- Black, navy, brown shoes only. (Runners to be worn with school tracksuit only)

If any family have uniforms no longer required, they would be greatly appreciated by the school.

School Tracksuits:

These are available from Mr. Burke for all Year Groups. Mr. Burke will be available on Induction Days if any student wants to purchase any item of the school tracksuit.

Covid 19

The following is our present guidance.

- Restrictions in relation to mask-wearing and physical distancing are removed.
- Continue to use good infection prevention and control measures like handwashing, respiratory hygiene and ventilation.
- Resume normal school routines and normal teaching and learning activities.

School Musical:

This will run again this year and our music teachers are already busy preparing for the return of fabulous event to our school community.

New Walkway:

A new 500-meter walkway around our Sports Fields has been completed and will be another great addition for students to walk and chat during break and lunch.

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Two New Classrooms:

These are now open and 5 more new classrooms will be delivered in the coming months.

Extension:

Given the very positive growth in our student numbers the school has negotiated a doubling of our school extension. This is with the Department of Education for approval and the initial design will mean that our school will be upgraded further in the next couple of years with more state-of-the-art facilities.

Parents Association:

We have an excellent Parents Association and new members would be very welcome. The feedback from last year's survey was important to us in planning for this year.

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