



Dear Parents/ Guardians.

It gives me great pleasure to report that Students of St Vincent's are doing very well in these challenging and unprecedented times. Despite the ongoing pandemic, students and staff are very pleased to be returning to every day activity in school. It is imperative that students are kept in school for their educational and social development. We, as a school community, are doing everything possible to keep your child protected, safe and risk free whilst in the school. In order maintain this, and following HSE advice, St Vincent's School is rigidly following the guidelines of Public Health. Due to the changing nature of community infection in Dublin and nationally, this advice is constantly changing. The latest advice can be found by following this link:

<https://www.hpsc.ie/a-z/respiratory/coronavirus/novelcoronavirus/guidance/educationguidance/Isolation%20quick%20guide.pdf>

We appreciate completely the disruption and upset that be caused when you have to collect your child at short notice. If your child is presenting as unwell/displaying symptoms of COVID 19 please follow the advice from the HSE which can be found here:

<https://www.hse.ie/eng/services/news/newsfeatures/covid19-updates/partner-resources/covid-19-schools-and-parents-resources/back-to-school-advice-for-parents.pdf>

In accordance with HSE guidelines, your child is asked to self isolate for a period of 14 days from the first onset of symptoms and 10 days from the COVID test date.

If your GP deems your child fit to return to school, please inform the school as soon as possible so that your child can return to school without delay.

We appreciate your understanding in these difficult times.

Sincerely

Jennifer Boylan

Acting Principal.