

# St Monica's R.C. High School

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Dear Parents and Carers

Now that all pupils have returned to school and we have begun to review pupil return, I wanted to write to you to update you on some of the changes we are now planning to make from next week. We hope these amendments will further help pupils at our school.

From Monday September 14<sup>th</sup> we will now introduce the following:

- a) We have looked carefully at routines, and at 1pm each day we will now schedule ten minutes of "eating time" pupils will be able to eat lunch in their classroom. This will ensure that they can be seated. I know a very small number of parents have shared some concern with lunch time provision. Pupils will then be escorted to their social space. Should they wish they may still eat their lunch in this social space. We have consulted with Heads of all Department and Heads of Year, and we believe we can facilitate this effectively.
- b) We will amend morning entrance arrangements, as currently pupils are arriving on site earlier than 8:20am. Pupils will now be able to move to their social space from 8.10 am. Entrances to the school site will now be as follows:
  - Year 7 and 8 – Use the ramp by the side of the Maths entrance, and enter the site through the Junior Yard.
  - Year 9 and 10 – Through the LRC Entrance.
  - Year 11- Through the Maths entrance.
- c) We have now designated spaces in the building for pupils to use should there be a wet lunch time. Where this applies all pupils will need to go to their assigned space as this again will maintain the integrity of each year group bubble.

Over the next week we will begin to contact a small number of parents where we have concerns around pupils who are reluctant to engage with mandatory expectations around wearing of face coverings. I cannot stress how important it is that every member of the school community understands their responsibility to others. Please can I also ask parents to remind pupils of the expectation that face coverings are worn on public transport, especially the Tram.

As I said at the start of the week, it has been delightful to have the pupils back. We will continue to amend and revise all of our plans on an ongoing basis. I am so grateful for your support.

Yours faithfully

Mr C Foley

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