



# Coláiste Bríde

Templeshannon, Enniscorthy, Co. Wexford.

March 12<sup>th</sup> 2021

Dear Fifth Years, Parents & Guardians,

I hope that all is good with you and your family.

As you are aware Fifth Year students will return to in-class teaching on **Monday, March 15<sup>th</sup>**. As per the Department of Education instruction to schools remote learning will stop for all Fifth Year students when they return to school.

Classes have already resumed for our Sixth Year students and you may have heard that some students tested positive for Covid-19. I can confirm that four students have tested positive from social interactions outside school but following a comprehensive investigation and risk assessment by the HSE over a number of days this week the HSE are satisfied that no transmission of the virus took place within Coláiste Bríde. A total of nineteen classroom close contacts were identified and so far all have tested negative. This should be very reassuring to you and your daughter as it shows that the procedures that are in place in school are working well.

In advance of your daughter's return to school, you will receive a VSware notification with a link to the **Return to School Covid-19 Declaration Form**. This form must be completed before your daughter's return to school.

**Please note: In the interests of the Health and Safety of all, students will not be permitted to return to class without a completed Covid Declaration Form which affirms that it is safe for them to return.**

Students attended an online assembly earlier today in which we reminded them of the Covid-19 safety procedures in our school and to outline any changes that will be introduced upon their return to school. Attached to this email is a document with our Covid-19 safety procedures which students have also received and should familiarise themselves with.

We look forward to welcoming our Fifth Year students back to Coláiste Bríde on Monday. Classes begin, as always, at 8.45 am. I would also like to remind you that **school will be closed on the 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> March** as per the school calendar that was shared with parents and students in September.

If you have any concerns regarding the return to school, please contact [office@colaistebride.ie](mailto:office@colaistebride.ie).

Yours sincerely,

Kiera O'Sullivan

Principal