



Le Chéile Secondary School
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13th July 2020,

Dear First Year Parent/Guardian,

We are very much looking forward to welcoming your son/daughter back to the new term. Whilst the Department of Education have issued some guidance on return to school protocols we are still not sure as yet what the return to school will look like and do not have definitive return dates. We anticipate the First Year students will return to school on **Thursday 27th August**. First Year students will be involved in a Transition Programme over the first few days to help them settled in and become familiar with the routines of school life in Le Chéile.

This letter contains some important information to help make getting back into the routine of school as easy as possible.

- Students should come to school every day in full uniform. **Student must wear a school jacket to school – no other jacket is allowed.** The full school uniform for Junior Cycle students is a white long sleeved shirt, purple crested jumper, school trousers or skirt, school tie, **black socks** and **all black shoes**. Details of where to buy the school uniform were posted on the school website - New Enrolment tab earlier in the Summer.
- **Students are not allowed to wear any make up to school.** Student can wear small stud earrings (one in each ear) and a watch. No other jewellery is allowed. Student may not have any other facial piercings and no visible tattoos. **Students are not allowed to wear nail varnish.** For Health and Safety reasons **acrylic nails and nail extensions are not allowed in school.** Hair should be a natural colour and hair accessories must be discreet and match the school uniform. No hair shaving designs are allowed.
- A uniform hijab is available through the school office at a cost of €4. This is part of the school uniform. No other hijab is allowed.
- On the day a student has PE they must wear their school uniform and change into their PE gear for the lesson only.
- In line with our school Healthy Eating Policy students need to bring a **healthy lunch to school and some water. Students may not leave the school grounds at any time during the school day including lunchtime.**
- The school will provide students with a locker a padlock Only school padlocks can be used on lockers. The school reserves the right to spot check lockers throughout the year. The padlocks are combination codes but the school has an over-ride key. Students should not store food in their lockers for more than one day and should keep their lockers tidy. Lost padlocks will incur a placement charge of €20

- Thank you to all parents for purchasing the iPad in a timely manner. The iPads will be delivered to school and deployed to the students in the opening days of the new year. Students should bring their iPad, fully charged to school each day.
- All parents are issued with a VSware password in the new term. Please keep this password safe, should this password need to be re-issued a €1 admin charge will be made.
- Thank you for paying the administration fee of €100 at the time of accepting your child's place in Le Chéile this will contribute towards the cost of the journal, locker rental including padlock, student insurance cover, schoology, text messaging system to parents, parents evening booking system, postage & printing of school reports.
- Opening and closing times for the school are as follows:

Day	School Begins	School Ends
Monday	9.05am	3.50pm
Tuesday - Thursday	8.35am	3.30pm
Friday	8.35am	1.10pm

The school office will reopen on Monday 17th August, at this stage we would hope to hope more definitive information and will contact you with an update on our return to school protocols and any changes to practice in light of the covid-19 pandemic.

In the meantime we wish you an enjoyable Summer holiday and look forward to meeting you in the new academic year.

With every good wish,



Ms. Leona Harrington
Principal