



9th March 2020

Dear Parents & Guardians,

Maryfield College will keep you up to date in relation to the measures the school are taking in response to the evolving situation regarding Coronavirus COVID – 19.

To date the school has and will continue to;

- Forward to all parents the advice of the HSE in relation to schools via the school website and or text.
- Keep soap dispensers filled in student toilets and disinfect all door handles and surfaces as a matter of routine.
- Advice from the HSE regarding hand and respiratory hygiene has and will be reinforced throughout the school community on an ongoing basis.
- HSE Advice posters have been posted throughout the school building.
- We have 24/7 texting functionality if an urgent message needs to be communicated to you. Please ensure your contact details are up to date and correct.
Please contact the main school office during school opening hours should you need to update your contact details.
- All students have an office 365 email account. In the event of a school closure, email will be the primary means of teacher - student communication and will enable students to continue with their studies. It is essential that students check their school email account regularly.
- Students have been advised to bring home the necessary school books and materials each day to ensure that they have the resources they need in the event of a school closure.

- Any school trips/events will be subject to advice issuing from the relevant agencies/authorities and decisions will be made by the Board of Management /Principal taking account of this advice

We request that as parents and guardians you:

- Keep up to date on and follow advice issuing from the HSE, the Department of Education and Skills and Maryfield College.
- Ensure that your daughter understands the importance of good hand and respiratory hygiene and demonstrates this at all times.
- Provide personal hand sanitiser, if possible, and clean tissues for your daughter to complement the school provision.
- Inform the school if your child has been to any of the affected areas in the last 14 days.
- Keep your daughter at home if she exhibits flu like symptoms.
- Respond immediately to any call from the school (this is the usual procedure in the event of your child becoming ill).

We will be constantly following the advice of the HSE and Department of Education and Skills as COVID – 19 evolves and will keep you informed of our response and contingency plans. As parents you are partners in education with the school and we appreciate your ongoing cooperation with this and all matters relating to your daughters education.

M. O'Rourke & R. Carroll

Principal & Deputy Principal