



Meánscoil na mBráithre
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Dear Parent(s) / Guardian(s),

We are in the middle of another week of online learning and we have seen significant progress in the return to school, with the very welcome arrival of our 6th years. It has been so uplifting to have students in the school, to see familiar faces in the corridors and to hear the more typical noisier sounds of 'The Green' in action.

By the end of the week, we hope that our 5th years will be switching off their screens, packing their school bags and preparing for their return on Monday. Following this, if all goes according to the guidance issued, we will see a full return to school for all students immediately after the Easter holidays.

Last week we introduced an early finish for our 1st & 2nd year students, to give them an opportunity to take a break from the intensity of screens. As this was a positive experience for the students, we have included our 3rd years in this week's early finish. **Classes will finish today Thursday at 12:30 for 1st, 2nd and 3rd year students.**

While we are optimistic about an impending return to school, it is important that we do not become complacent and let our standards slip with our adherence to the current public health advice. We all need to continue to be vigilant, so that case numbers continue to fall and that it remains feasible for our schools to fully reopen.

Stay safe and take care.

Kind regards,

Anne O'Callaghan
Principal