



Villiers School

Celebrating 200 Years

5 January 2022

Dear Parents and / or Guardians,

First, let me wish you all a Happy New Year! I hope that this letter finds you safe and well, as we navigate evolving Covid-19 uncertainties and challenges. Villiers School will reopen as planned tomorrow, Thursday 6th of January, with international boarders returning from 4.00 pm today.

Current travel restrictions and requirements are available here:

<https://www.gov.ie/en/publication/77952-government-advice-on-international-travel/>

- All travellers to Ireland are currently required to have a negative Covid-19 test prior to travel, *however, we expect that this requirement will change in the coming days, so please monitor this if your student has not yet travelled.*
- All travellers to Ireland are required to complete a Passenger Locator Form.
- All travellers to Ireland are advised to complete a daily Covid-19 antigen test over a five-day period after arrival. Boarding house parents and school nurses will oversee this requirement for international boarding students. For international day students, we must rely on parents and / or guardians to fulfil this requirement. We appreciate everyone's cooperation in following this guidance.

The Government of Ireland has again issued further guidance regarding what to do in the event of a positive test result, or if identified as a close contact of a confirmed case of Covid-19.

- If your student tests positive for Covid-19:
 - and they have received a booster dose of an EU approved vaccine (at least a week earlier), they must self-isolate for 7 days.
 - and they are fully vaccinated with an EU approved vaccine (but no booster dose), they must self-isolate for 10 days.
 - and they are not vaccinated, they must self-isolate for 10 days.
- If your student is identified as a close contact of a positive case of Covid-19:
 - and they have received a booster dose of an EU approved Covid-19 vaccine (at least a week earlier), they must restrict their movement for only 5 days and take 3 antigen tests.
 - and they are fully vaccinated with an EU approved vaccine (but no booster dose), they must restrict their movement for 10 days and take 5 antigen tests.
 - and they are not vaccinated, they must restrict their movement for 10 days and take 5 antigen tests.



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Students should not attend school if symptomatic, self-isolating, or restricting their movements as a close contact.

If an international boarding student either tests positive for Covid-19 or is identified as a close contact, we will endeavour to accommodate the student to self-isolate or restrict their movement within the boarding house, if possible, however, please be aware that this may not be possible, and educational guardians should be prepared to make appropriate arrangements for students outside of the boarding house *if necessary*. This also applies where a student may be symptomatic.

Wishing safe travels to all returning from overseas. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns. I am available by email admissions@villiers-school.com.

Kind regards,

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