



St. Angela's School

Additions to the Code of Behaviour due to Covid-19

During this unprecedented time, the Board of Management of St. Angela's Secondary School will endeavour to do all in its power to provide a safe and secure working/learning environment for all members of our school community. To this end, it is of vital importance that all members of the school community adhere to the safety measures that have been put in place.

Base Classroom

- Students are not allowed enter other base classrooms
- Students must adhere to social distancing of 1m from staff and students at all times
- No items, except for coats, are to be left in the base classroom. Coats should be hung at the back of the room
- Students must use the correct bins in their classrooms

Lockers

- Students should not congregate in groups at the lockers

Uniform

- PE uniform as per uniform policy should only be worn for the full PE day.
- Face coverings must be worn by students when a physical distance of 2m from another person cannot be maintained i.e. on corridors, in classrooms, at locker areas. 3 washable face coverings per day are recommended. Store clean and used coverings in separate bags. Face coverings may not be placed in school bins.
- Students are expected to wear a clean face mask/face covering each day.

Arrival

- Students should go directly to their base classrooms upon arrival.
- All students should practise good hand hygiene as per HSE guidelines
- Bathroom capacity will be limited and socially distanced queues will operate. Students should adhere to queue management outside the bathroom.

Tuck Shop & Lunch

- Socially distanced queues will be in operation at the tuck shop and students must adhere to this queue management.
- Students should bring home all food wrappings and left over food.

Measures to prevent the introduction and spread of Covid-19

- Students must not attend school if they have symptoms of Covid-19 or if they have been identified by the HSE as a contact for a person with Covid-19.
- If students develop symptoms at school, they must bring this to the attention of the Principal or Deputy Principal promptly.
- Symptoms of Covid-19 are:
 - High temperature
 - Cough
 - Shortness of breath or breathing difficulties
 - Loss of smell, of taste or distortion of taste
- Students should make sure that they, and the people around them, follow good respiratory hygiene.

- Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or your bent elbow when you cough or sneeze. Dispose of any used tissues immediately and safely into a nearby bin.
- Students should practise good hand hygiene
 - Good hand hygiene is achieved by washing hands regularly or the use of a hand sanitiser (when hands look clean). Students are asked to bring a small bottle of sanitizer in their pencil case.
 - Students should not shake hands and should avoid any physical contact with others.
 - Students are not allowed share any of their personal belongings.
- Students should perform hand hygiene
 - On arrival at school
 - Before eating or drinking
 - After using the toilet
 - After petting animals
 - After playing outside
 - When their hands are physically dirty
 - When they cough or sneeze
- Students should not interfere with the face mask/PPE equipment worn by another member of the school community.
- Students should not deliberately cough or sneeze in the direction of another member of the school community.
- Students should not misuse sanitisers or any other sanitisation equipment on the school grounds.
- Government policy requires anyone coming into Ireland, from locations other than those with a rating of 'normal precautions' ("green"), to restrict their movements for 14 days, and this includes school staff, parents and children or other students coming from abroad to attend school in Ireland. Restricting your movements means staying indoors in one location and avoiding contact with other people and social situations as much as possible.

Any student failing to adhere to these safety measures may be removed from class and placed in the care of her parents/guardians until the school management meets with the parents/guardians and are satisfied that the student no longer poses a risk to the health and safety of herself or any member of the wider school community.

Thanking you in advance for your cooperation.

Remember: Stay Safe, Stand Back.

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