

# Covid procedures for restarting :

## Face coverings

Use of face coverings continues to be required for pupils in post primary settings. However, this will be reviewed on 8 October by the NI Executive. Masks are not required if class teaching is taking place in large indoor space, eg assembly hall / PE hall where 2m distancing can be facilitated.

## Social distancing

The NI Executive has stated class bubbles are no longer a requirement and all classes at Blackwater IC will be returning to their normal timetable and moving around between classes and accessing all practical subjects.

## Break and lunch time

We will be returning to break and lunch time as part of a normal timetable. Students will not have access to the canteen for the month of September initially at break time but it will be open at lunch time for all year groups.

## School bags / Books

We have been advised that there is little risk of spread of infection on library books / class books and that there is no need to quarantine these items. DE also advises that children may now bring their school bags and pencil cases to school each day. Regular hand hygiene and surface cleaning is to be maintained.

## Testing

Lateral flow testing kits continue to be available for all year groups. These are voluntary and parental consent is required for children under 16yrs and agreement from pupils over 16yrs. Information relating to this will be sent to all parents.

## PE

In order to reduce potential infection pupils will be allowed to wear their PE uniform to school on days when PE is to be taught.

## Extra curricular activities

Some extra curricular activities will start back in the first few weeks of term and students will be notified of finishing times etc.



## Arrangements for the week ahead



### Monday 30th August

Bank Holiday - College closed

### Tuesday 31st August

- Year 8 only in school
- There will be no transport provided on this day
- Packed lunch is required for all students
- Start at 8.45am and finish at 3.05pm

### Wednesday 1st September

- Year 8 and Year 12 in school
- Canteen will be open for meals at lunch time
- Start at 8.45am and finish at 3.10pm
- Transport will operate as normal

### Thursday 2nd September

- All students return to school
- Canteen will be open as normal
- Transport will operate as normal

### Friday 3rd September

- All students return to school
- Canteen will be open as normal
- Transport will operate as normal

# Back to School

