



Dear Parents and Guardians,

Students have been very positive in relation to the blocked timetable which is operational for the Leaving certs for the past two weeks.

With that in mind, and the return of 5th year students, a new timetable has been designed for the next two weeks based on one-hour slots for 1st - TY and the 5th & 6th year timetable has been divided into blocks.

I met with the student's council to get their views on the matter. They were very much in favour of the new temporary timetable as it brings many advantages for students in school and those who are at home. They agreed to run with the new timetable for two weeks.

5th and 6th years get triple classes (3 hours blocks) in their options, 2 doubles (4 hours) in Irish, English and Maths along with single one hour classes PE, Careers and Pastoral Care.

1st to TY classes get one-hour classes but only get two classes per week per subject. One class in short courses and in PE. Every single one of those classes in 1st to TY classes are being delivered live.

The 1st to 3rd years finishes every day at 3pm. This will make it more manageable for them. Some are overwhelmed and many more are simply fed up. They also have some periods off during the day. SEN hours will be assigned during these periods.

No 1st - 3rd year student will have any more than 5 lessons in one day. This is intended to reduce the demands which have been piling up on many students.

The one-hour slots with 1st to TY means that teachers teach for 30-40 mins per lesson and the student has 20-30 minutes to finish off whatever classwork/homework which was set. They can submit that work before the start of their next live lesson. Again, this is supposed to reduce the feeling of being overwhelmed which many students are reporting.

Maths is the exception to this. Most maths classes will last the full hour and homework will be set.

All lessons in the new timetable will be live for 1st to TY students (5th, 6th & LCA students are in school obviously)

Their new live lessons will automatically appear in their calendar. They have been issued with their new temporary timetable via email. Their year heads will also have a short assembly with them to answer any questions.

All these measures have been taken with the interests of our students at their core.

Yours sincerely,  
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