

ERC NEWS



The monthly updates of what's going on in
Edmund Rice College!

IT'S GOOD TO BE BACK

September 2020

It was a long six months but finally the doors of Edmund Rice College reopened to pupils once again. The general feeling among staff and pupils alike is one of positivity and delight!



Adam, Aiden, Sean and Daniel enjoying their first days in Edmund Rice College

An exceptional amount of hard work and effort has went into Edmund Rice College to ensure that it is a safe place for pupils to return to and the work is still ongoing every single day.

We ask everyone to follow Public Health Guidance and to read the checklist to the right so that we can all play our part in keeping Edmund Rice College open.

We are all in this together!

Everyone has a role to play in keeping our schools safe and helping to stop the spread of COVID-19.

Everyone should continue to:

- ☒ wash hands regularly
- ☒ cover coughs and sneezes
- ☒ practice social distancing
- ☒ follow the latest public health advice

What should I not do?

- ☒ **Don't** send your child to school if they have COVID-19 symptoms
- ☒ **Don't** allow your child to use public transport unless you have no alternative
- ☒ **Don't** gather at the school entrance/gate
- ☒ **Don't** allow your child to share food/drinks with friends

What should I do?

- ☒ **Do** let the school know if your child will be absent due to COVID-19 symptoms
- ☒ **Do** encourage your child to socially distance, if it is possible
- ☒ **Do** encourage good hand hygiene
- ☒ **Do** use alternative transport if you can
- ☒ **Do** walk or cycle if it's safe and appropriate to do so
- ☒ **Do** use park and ride or other car-parking facilities (if available) and walk the remainder of the journey to school
- ☒ **Do** avoid parking close to or at the school gates
- ☒ **Do** encourage the use of face coverings on school transport

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A reminder of our staggered start times each morning!



Year 8 pupils- 8:30-8:45am arrival
Front entrance

Year 9 pupils- 8:45-9:00am arrival- Front entrance

Year 10 pupils- 9:00-9:15am arrival- Front entrance.

Year 11 pupils- 9:00am arrival- Enter via the back gates to the Technology Block

Year 12 pupils- 9:00-9:15am arrival- Front entrance.

Year 13/14 pupils- 9:00am-9:15am arrival- Enter via the back gates to the door at Mr McClelland's room.

You can place an order for a school tracksuit! Get a form in school or download from our website to see sizes and prices.



A big welcome to all 132 new year 8 pupils who started their Edmund Rice College journey this September!

Also we say a sad goodbye to our year 14s from last year and we wish you all the best for the future!

Take 5 steps to well being!

This is well worth a read & can be so effective in helping someone out!

Over the next number of months, there will be a whole school focus on Mental Health and Wellbeing in Edmund Rice College for all pupils, staff and the local community.

It is our aim that all staff, students and our local community will understand how they can look after their mental health!

Take5 steps to improve your Emotional Wellbeing



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No School Friday 2nd October:

This Friday is a staff day so pupils can enjoy a well deserved three day weekend!

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