

Mercy Secondary School, Ballymahon, Co. Longford



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Please note the following information

- Calendar 2021/2022 is available on our school website. School will re-open on Thursday Aug 26th which gives us 3 discretionary days during the year- Mon Oct 4, Wed Dec 8 and Fri Mar 18.
- School Day: We are changing to 1 hour classes. School will start at 9am and finish at 3.45pm (1.20pm Friday)

 Tuition time will still be 28 hours according to DES guidelines. Break will be 15 mins (20 mins Friday) and lunch will be 30 mins. There will be 6 class periods each day (4 on Friday).
- Zero tolerance on Vaping: The BOM ratified a change to the Code of Behaviour at a meeting on June 15th. Any student found Vaping or in possession of Vaping materials on school grounds will be suspended.
- Mobile Phone Policy During the school day from 8am to 4pm (while on school grounds) and during Evening Study mobile phones <u>must be powered off and out of sight</u>. An exception may be made where a student uses their mobile phone to monitor a pre-existing medical condition. In the case of an emergency, parent/guardian may contact the school office to speak to their child. This policy was adopted as mobile phones are a major distraction and a disruptive influence for our students during class. If a student breaks this rule, their phone will be kept at the office for two days and two nights.
- Booklists are available on the school website. All books can be bought new from any book shop, but for your convenience Cormicans- Athlone/Roscommon shop have set up an online shop for all the students. You will find the link listed under each year booklist on the website.



- Booklist. Please note than instead of buying the A4 Hardback copies you can buy the A4 Soft cover copies.
 We suggest that you (junior students) also buy 12 A4 plastic zip folders (no need to buy new ones if you got them last year) –one for each subject, into which you can put copies /handouts/tests etc. This will help you be more organised for class. These can be bought in Discount stores
- Following Covid Guidelines, student lockers will not be available until further notice.



Footwear navy or black leather or leather-look shoes/runners only.

• The School office will re-open on Tuesday August 10th. Closed from June 30th.

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