

Drumshanbo Vocational School

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Dear Parents/Guardians

As this very different school term comes to an end, we just want to sincerely thank you for your co-operation with the on-line teaching and learning over the past two and a half months. It was a steep learning curve for us all and if there is anything positive we can take from the experience it is that all of us, teachers and students, have gained a wealth of experience in IT and teaching and learning in a digital era. That is not to say that this will ever even come close to comparing with the teaching and learning that happens in our classrooms.

Teachers are all looking forward more than ever to returning to the classrooms with all of their students next September. We all hope this will happen but of course nobody can know for sure yet what the situation will be at that time. In the worst case scenario we will be ready and even more prepared to teach on-line if that turns out to be a necessity.

Our schedule for subject options for First Years and Third Years has been disrupted due to the impact of Leaving & Junior Cert grading and because we are unable to meet the students themselves regarding their choices. I will be in contact with those groups if necessary during June. End of Term school reports, including the End of Junior Cycle Report (3rd Years) will be published for you on VSware in the coming weeks. You will be notified by text.

Regarding the schedule for return to school for the new school year, I will update you on that on this web-site as soon as those decisions can be made.

In the meantime, on behalf of all the staff at DVS, we wish you and your family an enjoyable summer with good health and hope that this lovely weather continues to brighten our days.

Yours faithfully,

Martin Fallon

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