**COVID Guidance**

During our courses will be implementing policies and practices in relation to COVID 19. These will generally be in line with those in place during the school year with adaptations for the summer course context. Please read the information below carefully and follow the guidelines outlined. All further information will be provided to students on arrival and during the course.

1. **Pre-Arrival:** All students must take an antigen test **before** traveling to the course to ensure they do not have Covid-19.

1. A subsequent test will be conducted **on arrival at the college** while social distancing in the hall. The student will self administer this test while supervised by college staff. Following a negative result, the student will be given a Covid pass and may travel to the guesthouse where he/she will present the pass to the bean a’tí.

**NB: No parent should bring their son/daughter directly to the guesthouse before the above antigen has been conducted.**

1. **Antigen Test:** Each student is asked to bring **5 antigen tests (1 box)** with them to the course. The tests are to be labelled/marked with the student’s name and handed into the office upon arrival. These will be available if testing needs to be conducted during the course.

1. **Cuairteanna/Visiting:** As can be appreciated due to the potential impact of COVID on our courses, all efforts are being made to limit any possible contraction or spread of the virus. We are therefore asking parents **not** to visit during the course in order to avoid the possible spread of COVID. Students will have access to mobile phones every evening to make contact with home and can also be contacted through the college office during the day.

In cases of emergency, if parents **must** collect their son/daughter, they are kindly requested **not to go to the** guest house. Parents should  contact the office beforehand and arrange for the student to be brought to the college. Each student **must be signed out** at the college office. Please contact the Principal well in advance to arrange an appropriate time to do this.

1. **Covid Testing during the course.** If a student exhibits COVID symptoms during the course they will be brought to the College office where an Antigen test will be self administered by the student under the supervision of a member of staff. Permission will be sought from parents prior to the test being carried out. If the test is positive and to avoid further spread of the virus, , the student will be placed in isolation and the parents will be contacted and asked to collect the student from the course immediately. The student will need to remain in isolation until such a time as they are collected.

1. **Fees and a positive antigen test during the course.** In the event of a positive test during the course, a student will have to leave the course and isolate at home for the required period.
	1. When this period has finished and following 3 x negative antigen tests with no symptoms, the student may return to the course if they wish to for the remaining days.
	2. Unfortunately, due to significant unexpected increases in running expenses, (insurance, wages for staff, accommodation, transport etc) we will not be in a position to reimburse any of the fees paid for the course.
	3. **However,** to support students and parents in these situations we will provide a voucher to the value of 50% of the remaining cost of the remainder of the days left of the course to be used on a subsequent course this summer or for our 2023 courses. (T&C’s apply Please contact the office for full details)

**Plean Freagartha Covid 19.**

Le linn ár gcúrsaí beidh polasaithe agus cleachtais á gcur i bhfeidhm maidir le COVID 19. Beidh siad seo ag teacht go ginearálta leo siúd a bheidh i bhfeidhm i rith na scoilbhliana le hoiriúnuithe do chomhthéacs an chúrsa samhraidh. Léigh an t-eolas thíos go cúramach le do thoil agus lean na treoirlínte atá leagtha amach. Cuirfear gach eolas breise ar fáil do mhic léinn ar theacht dóibh agus le linn an chúrsa.

1. **Roimh Teacht:**

Ní mór do gach mac léinn tástáil antaiginí a dhéanamh **sula** dtéann siad chuig an gcúrsa le cinntiú nach bhfuil Covid-19 acu.

1. Déanfar tástáil antaigin ar theacht chuig an gcoláiste agus na daltaí scartha go sóisialta sa halla. Déanfaidh an mac léinn féin-riarachán ar an tástáíl seo agus é faoi mhaoirseacht fhoireann an choláiste. Tar éis toradh diúltach, tabharfar pas Covid don dalta agus féadfaidh sé/sí taisteal go dtí an teach lóistín áit a dtabharfaidh sé/sí an pas don Bean a’tí.

**NB: Níor cheart do thuismitheoir ar bith a mac/iníon a thabhairt go díreach chuig an teach lóistín sula ndéantar an antaigin thuas.**

3. **Tástáil Antaigin:** Iarrtar ar gach dalta 5 thástáil antaigin (1 bhosca) a thabhairt leo chuig an gcúrsa. Ní mór ainm an mhic léinn a lipéadú/marcáil ar an mbosca agus iad a thabhairt isteach san oifig ar shroicheadh ​​an dalta. Beidh siad seo ar fáil más gá tástáil a dhéanamh le linn an chúrsa.

4. **Cuairteanna/Cuairt:** Mar atá le thuiscint, mar gheall ar an tionchar a d’fhéadfadh a bheith ag COVID-19 ar ár gcúrsaí, tá gach iarracht á dhéanamh srian a chur ar aon scaipeadh an víris. Táimid ag iarraidh mar sin ar thuismitheoirí gan cuairt a thabhairt le linn an chúrsa chun scaipeadh féideartha COVID a sheachaint. Beidh teacht ag mic léinn ar fhóin phóca gach tráthnóna chun teagmháil a dhéanamh leis an mbaile agus is féidir teagmháil a dhéanamh leo freisin trí oifig an choláiste i rith an lae.

**I gcásanna éigeandála**, má bhíonn ar thuismitheoirí a mac/iníon a bhailiú, iarrtar ort **gan dul** go dtí an teach lóistín. Ba chóir do thuismitheoirí dul i dteagmháil leis an oifig roimh ré agus socrú a dhéanamh go dtabharfar an dalta go dtí an choláiste. Ní mór do gach mac léinn a bheith **sínithe amach** ag oifig an choláiste. Déan teagmháil leis an bPríomhoide tamall maith roimh ré le do thoil chun am cuí a shocrú chun é seo a dhéanamh.

5. **Tástáil Covid le linn an chúrsa**. Má léiríonn mac léinn comharthaí/siomtóim COVID le linn an chúrsa tabharfar go dtí oifig an Choláiste í, áit a ndéanfaidh an mac léinn tástáil antaigin faoi mhaoirseacht ball foirne. Lorgófar cead ó thuismitheoirí roimh an tástáíl a dhéanamh. Má bhíonn an tástáil dearfach agus chun leathadh breise an víris a sheachaint, cuirfear an scoláire ina aonar agus rachfar i dteagmháil leis na tuismitheoirí agus iarrfar orthu an scoláire a bhailiú ón gcúrsa láithreach. Beidh ar an dalta fanacht ina aonar go dtí go mbaileofar é.

6. **Táillí agus tástáil dearfach antigen le linn an chúrsa.** I gcás tástála dearfach le linn an chúrsa, beidh ar mhac léinn an cúrsa a fhágáil agus a bheith ag aonrú sa bhaile ar feadh na tréimhse cuí.

 Nuair a bheidh an tréimhse seo críochnaithe agus tar éis 3 x tástálacha diúltacha antaiginí gan aon chomharthaí, féadfaidh an scoláire filleadh ar an gcúrsa ar feadh na laethanta atá fágtha más mian leo.

b. Mar gheall ar arduithe suntasacha gan choinne ar chostais reatha, (árachas, pá don fhoireann, lóistín, iompar srl) ní bheimid in ann aon cheann de na táillí a íocadh ar an gcúrsa a aisíoc.

c. Mar sin féin, chun tacú le mic léinn agus le tuismitheoirí sna cásanna seo cuirfimid dearbhán ar fáil ar fiú 50% de chostas na laethanta fágtha den chúrsa; é le húsáid ar chúrsa ina dhiaidh sin nó dár gcúrsaí 2023. (T&C’s i bhfeidhm. Déan teagmháil leis an oifig le haghaidh sonraí iomlána)