19th November 2020

Principal’s Update

Dear Parent / Guardian

Just a quick update for this week - it’s been a relatively quiet week in college. Can I again thank everyone for your support in helping both the college and our community beat Covid. Numbers of infection continue to be in decline across our patch, however the rate has slowed a little and there are still a significant number of cases being reported, so it feels like we still have some way to go.

Carmel Covid data

Not a big change from last week

- Students: 4 currently have positive tests with around 150 self-isolation; the vast majority because of non-college contacts
- Staff: 2 currently have had a positive test and we have 9 staff (teachers and support staff) currently self-isolating

Teachers who are self-isolating are still delivering their lessons live via Teams in the usual subject timetable slots.

Please keep in touch

If students do have one of the lateral flow tests or feel they may have symptoms whilst at home, please keep us informed and check in with their PAT. This will ensure we can fully support them if they need to be away from college. The college is automatically informed if anyone has had a positive test outside of college but there is usually a time lag with this.

Carmel Ethos & Mission

Quick note from College Chaplain Kath: ‘watch this space’ for Advent reflection opportunities and the chance to support our community outreach in the run up to Christmas

Have a great weekend when we get there – hopefully only two more lockdown weekends to go.

Best wishes,

Mike

Principal