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Dear Parents and Carers

New School Session 2020/21

I hope this letter finds you and your families safe and well.

I am writing to advise that on Monday 4 May 2020, we are going to make a start on our new session. Please do not be unduly concerned about this because it will by necessity be a gradual start. Different subjects are better placed than others to provide online content for a range of reasons and there is no expectation on our learners or teachers to be immediately up to speed on this. We cannot replicate what happens in school and it would only add another layer of stress if we attempted to do so. What we would ask is that you encourage your child to join the new Google Classrooms that have been created and that are listed alongside this letter. The PSE Google Classrooms will be updated with advice on maintaining good mental and physical health. They will also be used as a means of registration to log your child's connection to online learning each day, so it will be important to ensure your child joins these and carries out the brief registration task.

Work provided will initially be based upon the following *approximate* expectations:

Broad General Education (BGE) - new S2 & S3

Each subject will provide approximately 45 minutes of work per week, except English and Mathematics which will provide approximately 90 minutes of work per week.

Senior Phase - new S4-S6

Each subject will provide approximately 2 hours of work per week. Practical subjects that will only be able to look at the theoretical aspects of their courses will provide as much weekly work as possible.

A weekly plan is attached to this letter which will advise when teachers will be available online and/or when assignments will be issued. As with the start of new sessions during 'normal' times, information about classes and teachers will remain subject to change depending on staff availability, class size viability and qualifications awarded in August 2020.

Please be assured that you have the final say on how much work you think is reasonable to expect of your child. We do not want anyone to feel overwhelmed or



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under additional stress as a result of the work being provided. Once we have all begun to adapt to this new way of working, we will be better able to manage workloads to suit individual needs. If you have any problems with regard to access to Google Classroom or the internet, please get in touch and we will do everything possible to assist.

You will have received a communication from Louise Connor, Head of Service that I hope you found to be of assistance in understanding the SQA Estimates Process. I would reiterate earlier advice that nobody will know the result of this process until 4 August 2020 and that no individual's information on the process can be provided until this date. I must therefore respectfully request that you and our learners do not seek any information from our staff because they have been instructed not to release any information prior to 4 August 2020.

I hope this information has alleviated any concerns about expected workloads and that you find our approach to the new session acceptable. As I said earlier, it will take a while to get fully acquainted with this new way of working and I thank you in advance for your continued patience and support.

If you have any further questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to make contact.

Best wishes

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