



**A.M.D.G.**

## **CRESCENT COLLEGE COMPREHENSIVE S.J.**

**DOORADOYLE, LIMERICK V94 W6W8**

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Dear Parents and Students,

Welcome back to the new school year everyone. Hopefully all of us have had a relaxing summer and with staycations we have been able to see our friends more often.

### **5<sup>th</sup> Year Starts Here**

Start as you mean to go on.

All evidence points to when you focus on a good start the momentum carries through to 6<sup>th</sup> year and achievement in the future.

So what you do to start is the key.

Get Organised. Know your timetable. Have texts materials and equipment.

Plan your use of time.

Challenge yourself.

Consider how best to access School Study.

### **Pandemic- Be Safe**

Safety of all is the key going forward. Our focus as ever must be on Social Distance Mask Wearing and Hand Hygiene. If you have symptoms you must inform the school, stay at home and seek medical advice. Close contacts will be asked to stay at home for two weeks, those vaccinated will be different depending on HSE advice.

### **Compass -New School Personal Information System**

Eportal has been replaced by Compass. All students have been given their passwords and have been shown the workings of this new system,. Everyone should become familiar with the new system as appropriate information on students will be accessible here. Parents will receive notifications relating to punctuality and absences via Compass.

### **5<sup>th</sup> Year is a New Beginning**

Everyone starts 5<sup>th</sup> Year with a clean slate. Academically and Behaviourally. What has gone before cannot be changed. So if improvement is needed now is the time.

### **Report Card System**

Students must familiarise themselves with the rules of the school. Students in 5<sup>th</sup> Year are expected to be responsible and actions should be right and respectful and not simply because they are the rules. When students fall short of what is acceptable Detention and other sanctions are in place again this year.

### **Crescent is a Community**

Crescent is a community so we look out for each other, we help each other, we are aware of people who are struggling and we lend a hand. We are alert to bullying and we must be aware that you can always come forward in confidence when you suspect bullying is taking place. Interaction on Social Media must always be respectful.

### **Options**

Peter Moloney is available in his office over the next week should students wish to discuss a change of options.

### **Sport-Striking a Balance and Time Management**

Students are encouraged to become involved in Sport. This has undoubted benefits and also allows you to plan your use of time to best effect.

### **Chris Cullinan, Year Head**

I'm always available in the school should you need to talk to me about your students' progress.