



## Covid -19 Response Plan

- A new path is being placed at the side entrance of the school to create another entry/exit point. This will help with social distancing as students arrive and leave the building.
- Internal building work is being carried out to increase ventilation in certain areas.
- External Shelter will be installed soon near the front entrance
- Parent Teacher meetings are on hold. Detailed reports will be available on Vsware.

# HARTSTOWN COMMUNITY SCHOOL PARENT NEWSLETTER

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## Sporting Success

Congratulations to both Naomh Peregrine's camogie teams on reaching their respective finals last weekend. They were very well represented by the girls from Hartstown CS. The junior team had a strong win, beating Cuala with a score line of 5-14 to 0-3. Congratulations to Aoife Gleeson, Charlie Boyd, Grace Martin, Alannah McLoughlin, Holly Mackey, Amy Breslin, Ciara McNamara and Megan Delaney.

The inter team were very unlucky and narrowly lost by a point to Erin's Isle. Well done to Kayla Flood for her part in helping the team to the final. The future is certainly looking bright for camogie within the club and school with all the underage talent coming through.

## Adult Education

**Our Adult Education classes will be moving online. The director Mr. Farrell and assistant director Ms. Sheehan have worked hard to accommodate classes where possible. Below is a list of classes for the Autumn Term.**

- Spanish
- Dog Grooming
- Interior Design
- Golf
- Hillwalking and Mountain Navigation
- Special Needs Assistant
- Bootcamp
- Exercise to Energise for the over 55s

# The Learning Hub

## What is a learning hub?

The learning hubs were set up in our school as part of our covid response plan to ensure the safety of our students and teachers in classrooms. The learning hub facilitates the continuity of learning when a student cannot access the classroom directly due to number restrictions as directed by HSE guidelines.

## How do the learning hubs work?

Every student arrives to every class in the usual manner and their attendance is taken by their teacher. If the student cannot have direct access to the classroom on that day and is on the class rota for the learning hub, the teacher distributes the classwork to the students. This work will mirror the work that is happening in the classroom and will usually be a combination of textbooks and our online learning platform Microsoft Teams.

The student then goes directly to the learning hub. There are two hubs, one for juniors and one for seniors. In their hub, students will continue with their classwork under the supervision of our learning hub supervisors. All students are expected to continue with their learning during this time as they would in their classrooms. They can contact their teacher with any questions they via the team's app and these questions will be answered either on teams or in the next class, wherever is the most appropriate to the question.

It is important to note, that every effort has been made to ensure equal and fair access to learning for all our students in HCS.



## First Year Enrolment is now open

Visit our website [www.hartstowncommunityschool.com](http://www.hartstowncommunityschool.com) to apply. Our Admissions notice and Admissions Policy are available on the website. *Closing date for applications is 26<sup>th</sup> of October 2020.*

Since our open night is postponed we will be recording a video to showcase our school and hopefully give 6<sup>th</sup> class pupils an idea of what we are about.

# The Student Voice

## Learning and Teaching Student leaders

We are very proud to introduce our student learning leaders; **Aine Whooley: 5th year, Dara Conroy: 5th year, Diana Eze: 5th year, Samiya Beggs: 2nd year, Layla Catabusic: 2nd year.** The student leaders will be working with Ms. Hutchings – Walsh, Mr. Gerrard, Ms. Mulvaney and deputy principal Ms. Costello. They will collaborate with the Learning and Teaching Team to give student perspectives on their learning. This is a great leap forward for the student voice in our school and we are very proud of their contribution.



*Working Together to Protect Each Other*