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Information for Parents about the availability of one to one online supports for students

Class teachers, the SEN team, form teachers and Year Heads will continue to be available to support students while they work from home. It is also important to let you know about the availability of individual support for students that will continue to be available online.

This online guidance counselling support is available to all OLS students in the following three areas: Personal, Educational and Careers. **It can be arranged with students by email. If students would like to avail of this they are asked to please email lporter@olschool.ie Assistance can then be provided either by email and/or by arranging a google hangout with the student using either video or voice call.** The Guidance Counsellor may also make contact, by email, with targeted groups of students to encourage them in their personal, educational or career development and/or to offer assistance to them in dealing with the challenges of working from home. Parents are also welcome to contact the Guidance Counsellor by email: lporter@olschool.ie

The same rules on confidentiality apply, for students, as when meeting the Guidance Counsellor in school, that is, the Guidance Counsellor will not tell others what a student has shared in guidance counselling. However there are exceptions, for example, where the student gives permission, in case of danger to the student or others, where the law or ethics require it.

All students availing of this service and the Guidance Counsellor must obey good internet etiquette and follow the school's procedures and policies including Acceptable Use of Internet & Email Use, Child Protection, Code of Positive Behaviour, Data Protection and Guidance Policy. Students can decide to opt out of this one to one support at any time. The Guidance Counsellor, may in the case where a student needs extra support, refer a student to other outside professionals. The Guidance Counsellor will keep notes, securely, on any online support given to students.

Please see the school website for further useful information on Wellbeing, Teen Supports, Family & Parents Supports, Study & Tips on Learning From Home and Crisis & Emergency Supports.

<https://olschool.ie/documents-2/remoteteaching/>

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