

17 May 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this finds you well.

Thank you to all year 11 parents for the support over the current series of assessments. The students have been exemplary in their attitudes and have been working extremely hard to secure success. Good Luck to them all for the final two weeks.

As we come to the next stage in the government's roadmap I have to inform you that we have taken the decision to keep all staff and students wearing facemasks in social areas as we move around the school. This is as a precaution following positive cases in school. I do hope that this will be temporary and we can cautiously move forward to easing the restrictions but I will keep you informed.

Meanwhile we must continue to comply with the self-isolation rules that are in place. Therefore, if you have any COVID-19 symptoms, you **MUST** self-isolate and book a test at [www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test](http://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test) or by calling 119. Everyone in the household also needs to stay at home and not leave the house, even for shopping or exercise. It is vital that we do not let our guard down as we hopefully move towards a lifting of all restrictions.

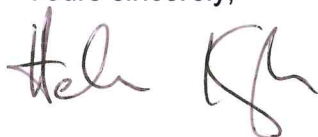
Additionally today starts the National Walk to School week encouraging children to walk to school. The benefits of walking to school can be physically, mentally for our young people and of course better for the environment. Children, who walk to school, have been found to be more attentive and focused in class, and more children walking to school means less traffic congestion and improved safety for everyone. I would encourage everyone to consider allowing their children to walk even part of the journey to school.

After half term we will be moving towards end of year assessments for year 7 to 10 which will commence on **June 21<sup>st</sup>**. We will be sending reports home based on these results.

Finally, after half term the PHSE lessons will be on Relationships and Sex Education and I will be writing to you again to ask for your consent for these lessons and also to invite you to login to view the resources on the Ten Ten website which is the resource recommended by the Catholic Education Service.

Thank you as always for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,



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