Dear Parent,

As you know the First Minister has announced a number of changes affecting schools in Scotland.

The Scottish Government has provided <u>advice for schools</u> which contains the following important changes:

- From 6th January, East Renfrewshire schools and nurseries will reopen but <u>only</u> to provide essential childcare for the children of key workers and vulnerable pupils. (Details of the arrangements for this provision will be posted on East Renfrewshire Council's website in due course).
- For all other pupils, the Christmas break has in effect been extended until Friday 8th
 January, with teaching and learning resuming for the new term on Monday 11th
 January. This will be online only.
- Pupils will physically return to school as normal on Monday 18th January.

Please note that our S4 parents' evening will go ahead as planned on Thursday 7th January by telephone appointment. It will, however, be necessary to delay our diet of prelim examinations <u>by one week</u>. An amended prelim timetable will be uploaded to the S4, S5 and S6 yeargroup Google Classrooms within the next day or two.

I shall write to you again in January to confirm that these arrangements remain unchanged, or to keep you abreast of any further developments that may arise.

In the meantime, please try to have a relaxing and enjoyable Christmas and New Year.

Best wishes

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