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Welcome Back!

I would like to welcome everyone back to school after the Easter Holidays. I hope everyone had an enjoyable time and it has been pleasing to see the school settle smoothly into the summer term. The weekly blog will continue to be published each Friday but please do not hesitate to contact the school if you require any information.

Assemblies This Week

S1—S3 Monday 22nd April 9am Microsoft Teams

These assemblies will focus on

- Mobile Phone Policy (see later)

- Focus for the term ahead

House System

We are intending to move to the House system from wb. 22nd April. As such the following Pastoral Teachers will have responsibility for the following Houses:

Assembly

April 2024

St. Andrew—Mr. McInnes

St. Columba - Mrs McLaughlin and Mr. Murray (until Mon 6th May then Dr. McGuire thereafter)

St. Margaret—Mrs. Todesco

St. Therese—Miss. Dyson & Mrs Kemp (until Ms McGuigan returns)

At this stage we will pause our plan to align Depute Head Teachers to Houses. This means that in the interim SLT will assume Year Group responsibilities below:

First Year—Mr Marshall (until Mrs McElroy returns)

Second Year—Ms. Monaghan

Third Year—Mr. McEwan

Mobile Telephones

From Monday 22nd April if pupils choose to bring a phone to school it should be placed in the **storage box at the start of each lesson.**

The phone will **<u>remain in the box throughout the lesson</u>**; unless a pupil is instructed to collect their phone by the teacher.

Phones will be returned at the end of each lesson. <u>Pupils should only</u> collect their own phone.

Pupils are reminded that they bring their phone at their own risk; the school **is not liable** for mobile phones.



If there is ever an urgent message you need to get to your child, please contact the office. Otherwise, they will always be able to catch up with you at the end of the lesson. I would like to thank you in advance for your support of this important update to our policy.

SQA Examinations 2024

Our SQA Exam Diet will commence on Monday 22nd April. I would like to wish every senior student sitting exams the very best of luck. I would also like to remind you of the following supports available:

- All senior students received an SQA Assembly and were issued with the "My Exams" Booklet and an exam timetable. Digital copies of this can be <u>accessed here</u>.
- Several departments are offering Masterclasses or the opportunity to visit the department for revision purposes. I will issue a timetable for these early next week.
- Holy Mass will be offered in the school each Tuesday (8.30am) and Friday (12.30pm) for the intentions of those sitting exams. The Oratory will be open at all times with pupils encouraged to used this quiet space.
- The Breakfast Club will continue to offer free breakfast provision each day (8am onwards). Senior pupils are encouraged to eat a healthy breakfast before an exam.
- If any senior student wishes to use our fitness suite during study leave please speak to PE Staff for availability and supervision.

Please remember pupils should wear full school uniform when they come into school for revision or for exams.

Congratulations





Class of 2024