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Dear Parent/Guardian

**Letter to Parents/Guardians of students in Years 8, 9, 10 and 11**

I hope you and your family are all keeping well.

As you are aware, the Northern Ireland Executive has now confirmed that all students in Years 8 to 11 will be returning to school full-time from **Monday 12<sup>th</sup> April**, and we are looking forward to welcoming your child back to school. I would also like to take this opportunity to congratulate our students on the work they have done during this period of remote learning, and thank all parents/guardians for the support they have given to their children during this time.

Students in all Year Groups will be starting on Monday morning with a pastoral period with their Form Teacher, to give the young people a chance to reconnect with their peers and their Form Teacher before returning to normal lessons. Students should therefore go directly to their Form Classrooms at their normal starting time (9.00am for Years 8 and 11, 9.10am for Year 9 and 9.20am for Year 10).

**We would remind you that face coverings are compulsory throughout school, and are now also compulsory in class throughout the school day. In addition, face coverings are also compulsory for post-primary students when travelling on school transport. Therefore, we would ask you to ensure that you provide your child with a face covering on their return to school.**

The school will be closed on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> May for the May Bank Holiday, and on Monday 31<sup>st</sup> May for a Staff Development Day. In addition, there will be three further Staff Development Days during the Summer Term, for which dates have not yet been confirmed, and we will notify you as soon as these dates have been confirmed.

On behalf of our teaching staff and myself, I thank you, our parents/guardians, for your support during this period of remote learning, and we look forward to seeing all of our students returning to school on Monday morning.

Yours faithfully

Dr Martin Knox  
Principal