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RE: Examinations/Assessment summer 2021

Dear Parent/Carer,

Year 8-10 Summer Assessments and reporting.

The summer examinations for years 8-10 will not take place this year. These will be replaced by class based assessments (which may be a formal paper). This decision has been driven by a consensus among the teaching staff that it is more important to extend opportunities for teaching and learning to support the pupils' learning recovery and their well-being. It is also in light of the continuing COVID-19 restrictions which may be compounded by trying to sit exams in the hall in hot weather. Reports will be then completed using Assessment 3 and 4.

Year 11 Summer Mock exams.

The focus is now turning to the progress of our year 11 pupils. In normal years we would have had reports, mocks, and parent/teacher meetings to plot the progress of our Year 11 pupils. This year has affected their learning and teaching and they have not had the rigorous assessment of mock exams. The teaching staff and SLT have highlighted that it is important for the year 11 pupils to take mock exams to assess their progress to date and to secure a solid mark/grade should they be required for Centre or Teacher Determined Grades next year. These mock exams will take place in the week beginning Monday 7th June 2021. Year 11 pupils are advised to begin to revise for these exams.

School Calendar Changes

There have also been changes made to the school calendar. These include changes which are due to the extra demands preparing for Centre Determined Grades. Extra Staff Development days are to be taken (granted by DENI). The school also has one more SDD to take and the deferred St. Patrick's day bank holiday.

Calendar Changes

Tuesday 4th May – Staff Development (pupils do not attend school).

Tuesday 25th May - Staff Development (pupils do not attend school).

Week beginning 7th June – Year 11 Mock exams

Tuesday 29th June - Staff Development (pupils do not attend school).

Wednesday 30th June – Deferred St. Patrick's day holiday.

School will end on Monday 30th June 2021

Yours sincerely

Mr J Reid
(Principal)

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