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Dear Parent/Guardian

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Coronavirus (Covid-19)

Due to the on-going global situation regarding Coronavirus, which we are monitoring daily, we felt it important to communicate with you at this stage particularly in light of today's announcement that schools in the Republic of Ireland will close.

We will continue to monitor and take advice from the relevant agencies as appropriate. These include the Department of Education, Public Health Agency and the Education Authority.

The Senior Leadership Team have put plans together over recent days to ensure that measures are in place for the continued education of your child.

We await further advice from the Department of Education but in the event of any school closure our priority is to ensure that teaching and learning can continue particularly for those pupils in Years 11-14 who are preparing for GCSE, AS and A-Level exams.

Through our use of Office 365 and Google Classroom staff are equipped to provide appropriate resources for learning to continue, tasks and homeworks to be set and feedback given.

It is vital that all pupils have internet access and are checking updates from their teachers daily. They should also ensure that important textbooks, files and other materials are kept at home and brought in to School on a daily basis at present.

All pupils in Years 8-10 will be provided with resources in support of home learning and these will be provided in booklet form or shared via the SIMS Parent App and/or Google Classrooms.

We are also taking advice on forthcoming trips and separate letters are, and will continue to be, sent to parents with updates.

These are uncertain times but the safety and wellbeing of our pupils and staff remain our priority and we appreciate your support and understanding.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'W E Thompson'.

W E Thompson
Principal