

14th February 2019

Dear Parent/Guardian,

I am writing to you to give you advance notice of 1.5 days of unavoidable school closure during the month of March 2019.

The new Junior Cycle Curriculum familiar to most of you requires that subject teachers across all curriculum areas participate in on-going CPD (Continuing Professional Development). “Cluster” Training days are organised by the Department of Education and Skills and notified to schools.

The next “Cluster” Training day for all teachers is Monday the 4th of March 2019. The school will be closed for all current students. **Please note the Assessment arrangements for new 1st year students 2019/2020 scheduled for Monday the 4th of March remain unaffected and will go ahead as planned.**

The second half day of closure occurs on Wednesday 13th March 2019. The school will close at 12.20pm and re-open as normal on Thursday 14th March 2019 at 8.45am. Any other potential school closures this academic year will be notified to you as soon as possible.

Advance notice of 1st Year Parent Teacher Meeting on Wednesday 6th of March 2019 from 3.30pm, and 4th Year Parent Teacher Meeting on Wednesday 20th March from 3.30pm. There will be no evening study on these days.

Trial Examination reports and formal results will issue for all 3rd year and 6th year students towards the end of March 2019. If parents and/or students wish to discuss their individual report and preparation for the State Examination process in June 2019, I am more than happy to accommodate you.

I am very conscious that this can be a stressful and challenging period for exam students and if we can support them further we will.

Thank you for your continued support. I wish you and your families a relaxing midterm break.

Yours sincerely,

Dermot Lavin
Principal