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HM Friday Email to all Parents 30-04-21

Dear Parents and Guardians

We received very hopeful news last night from the [Taoiseach, Micheal Martin](#), on the further lifting of restrictions and acceleration of the Vaccine programme; with the opportunities that now lie ahead for the summer; to spend time with family and friends, and for many of you to reopen businesses.

However, with just four weeks of school left in the term, I urge you to remind your child/ren to remain vigilant over this bank holiday weekend, and to avoid situations known to transmit the Covid-19 virus and its variants. There were a small number of schools this week reported to have closed, or have entire year groups sent home; due to infections or being identified as close contacts. Our Form 6 students are a particularly vulnerable group, which would experience great anxiety if they were to miss in-school learning and revision, at this crucial stage of their final year.

ACADEMICS – [Siobhán Daly](#)

Summer Exam Timetable & Form 6 Class Blocks

This is attached to the email on one sheet for all students beginning the week of May 24th. Please note that Sport and ECA's take place straight after lunch.

Career Guidance – Students can arrange an appointment with a guidance counsellor by emailing careers@thekingshospital.ie

Form 6

Career Guidance will be in contact with students next week to discuss their CAO options in advance of the change of mind date.

Form 5

- Students have received a link to 'My Unichoices', shown here <https://www.myfuturechoice.com/>. It helps them access the full CAO and UCAS database to provide instant feedback on which courses suit them best. Students are encouraged to complete it this weekend and talk over the results with parents.
- They have also received the Careers Folders with careers information and study plans to guide them into Form 6.

Form 4

- All TY students sat their Eirquest and aptitude test online this year, for the first time. The results were instantaneous and they can download the report as a pdf and forward to you, if they haven't done already.
- Unfortunately, continuing Covid-restrictions won't allow for a trip to Carlingford but Noel Cunningham has arranged plenty of interesting workshops for the students to finish out their year. The TY calendar for May is attached as a pdf.

Form 3

- Parents received an email this week with the TY video and programme for the year. Please contact [Noel Cunningham](#) with any queries.
- Form 3 assessments begin on Friday May 21st with R,E, & Maths.

BOARDING & PASTORAL CARE – [Cormac UaBruadair](#)

If any student has a mental health concern, they are encouraged to use the [well-being pathway](#) and email wellbeing@thekingshospital.ie in the first instance, to determine the next steps best suited to their needs.

Parents of weekly boarders must fill out the [return to school form](#) on Monday before returning to school from 7 to 9pm only. A reminder email will go out on Monday.

ECA – [Kerrie O'Reilly](#)

Royal Irish Academy Speech & Drama Exams

Drama exams will be taking place in school from May 4th to 7th with Ms O'Reilly and Mr Hickey. Students have been assigned a day and time for their exam which will be held in the Drama Room in the F-Block. The exams will be recorded and submitted to the RIAM by the Drama Department. The exam timetable has been posted in the Performing Arts Room window and on screens within the school.

Jazz Band

The KH Jazz Band along with Mr Hardy created a wonderful musical performance video which will be shared out to students and is [available to view here](#).

I hope you all enjoy the Bank Holiday weekend and the students return refreshed and enthused for the remainder of the summer term.

Yours,

Mark Ronan

Headmaster / Principal