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Dear Parents and Guardians

I hope that this email finds you and your family safe and well. Once again, I would like to acknowledge and thank all of you that continue to provide essential services to all of us, in whatever capacity that might be.

We have been fortunate to experience good weather during the Easter period; and I hope that you were able to enjoy some time with the family, even if your environs were somewhat limited.

Our senior leaders have met this week to discuss the implications of the restricted movement extension, and the effects on students including those arising from the rescheduling of the State Exams; and to plan accordingly for the summer term. As the details of these government mandates are to be confirmed, we will continue to support our students. We will be holding academic staff meetings on Monday, April 20th, to confirm the implementation of our plan for teaching and learning for the summer term which we will then communicate to you by Wednesday. Consequently, though there will be no online-taught engagement on Monday.

We are also considering how we might mark the important occasions that usually take place in May, especially for students in Form 6, and we will provide more detail on that in due course. With this in mind, Reverend Campion has regrettably had to cancel this year's Confirmation ceremony and will be in contact with those students affected.

I would like to thank you for all the encouraging emails we have received since our school closure was initiated. Our academic, extra-curricular, well-being and support staff really do appreciate the recognition. I have also appreciated the feedback by email or phone call on how we can improve our provision. However, the one sentiment that keeps coming back from our community is how much we miss the energy and vibrancy of the students, especially heading into the summer term.

I do hope that you remain safe and well.

Yours

Mark Ronan

Headmaster / Principal