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Dear Parent/Carer

Updates

As we approach the holiday weekend, I wanted to update you on some of the priorities we are working on this term.

Since returning full time, I have been very impressed with the vast majority of pupils and how they have settled back into school life following the strict hygiene routines. We have had a 66% uptake in pupils who have requested Lateral Flow Tests. If you haven't signed up yet I strongly encourage you to do so as this is an added level of protection for everyone and will help support the continued suppression of the virus. All of the details including the consent form and the Lateral Flow order form are on our school website.

Senior Phase

We held our third senior phase SQA parent information evening last week, which was very well attended. All of the information from the evening has been emailed out to all parents/carers of S4-6 students. It is also available on the website if you have not been able to access it from your emails.

There is no doubt that this is a very stressful time for our senior phase students and we are finalising a variety of interventions to support them throughout. Their wellbeing is the heart of everything we are planning. More information will be shared with you soon in the meantime some of the things we are planning are as follows:

- After school study support sessions
- Lunchtime wellbeing drop in
- Mental health Monday
- Signposting different resources to support wellbeing
- Relaxation sessions including yoga.
- Study top tips
- Managing stress, anxiety resources

Information will be shared with S4-6 pupils on a weekly basis during their PSE periods and we hope to issue a finalised study support timetable next week.

Senior Phase students are able to access the e-Sgoil study support sessions and I have included information with this update.

S1 Transition

Our transition programme will be underway soon for our new S1 pupils. Lots of work has been going on in the background and now that placing requests have been finalised we are able to start our formal programme. Details will be issued in the next week or so. In the meantime, please have a look at our transition page on the website.

Key dates

Just a reminder that school is closed on Monday 3rd of May and will also be closed to pupils on the following dates;

- Monday 24th May 2021 – In-service Day
- Tuesday 25th May 2021 – 1st Staff Assessment Day
- Monday 7th June 2021 – 2nd Staff Assessment day
- Summer Holidays begin on Friday 25th June 2021

Have a lovely bank holiday weekend.

Best wishes

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Headteacher