



26th April 2024

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Here are this week's messages.



Families First Award

We are delighted to announce that we are Finalists for the 'Best School' category in Northern Ireland's Families First Awards.

The college has been nominated for the strength of its Pastoral Care and Mental Health & Wellbeing provision.

New Whiteboards

To enhance our Teaching & Learning and support with the use of technology across the college, 7 new Interactive Whiteboards have been installed this week. In addition, we are hoping to install more PC's over the next few weeks which will further support provision for our pupils.

CCTV

The college has been investing in upgrading its CCTV and fitting new cameras both inside and outside of the college building. These will help continue to keep all our pupils and staff members safe each day.



60th Anniversary Mass with Bishop McKeown – Thursday 2nd May at 7.00 p.m.

We will be continuing to celebrate our 60th Anniversary with a Mass at St. Patrick's Church in Claudy on Thursday 2 May at 7.00 p.m.

Bishop McKeown and Fr O'Kane PP will be celebrating Mass followed by refreshments afterwards from 8.00 p.m. in the college. All are welcome!

GCSE Examinations

The first public written examinations begin on Wednesday 8th May. This is now only 6 school days away! Please encourage your child to attend our homework club and any revision sessions being offered to support them with their preparation.

A Key Stage 4 Homework club takes place in the LRC after school on a Monday and a Thursday from 3.40 - 4.25 p.m. This is a great opportunity for our pupils particularly those in Yr. 11 and Yr. 12 to remain behind after school to do revision for their public examinations in a quiet environment.





Gaelic Football

Good luck to our Yr. 9 boys team who play in the O' Doherty Cup Semi Final against Omagh on Monday 29th April.

Year 11 BCS & Year 12 Unit 1 Resit Pupils

After school sessions in preparation for the Unit 1 Practical Examination will take place each day Monday 29th April 2024 – Friday 3rd May 2024 in IT2.

Please encourage your child to attend *at least* one of these sessions.

Key Stage 4 R.E

Year 11 revision sessions take place after school on a Tuesday.

Year 12 revision sessions take place after school on a Wednesday.

Sessions will run for 5 weeks.



Key Stage 4 Art

After school sessions continue to take place after school on a Wednesday.



Key Stage 4 Maths

Wednesday's 3.40 - 4.30 p.m. in Room 2: All pupils taking M1 module only.

Thursday's 3.40 - 4.30 p.m. in HE2 Room: All pupils making M6/7 module only.

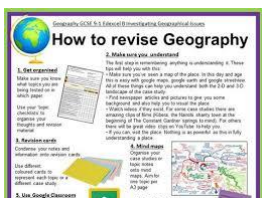


Key Stage 4 Science

Double Award Biology revision will continue to take place after school on a Wednesday for the next 2 weeks in Science Room 3:

Key Stage 4 Health and Social Care

Mrs Lynch will be delivering after school revision sessions every Monday 3.45 - 4.45pm. Pupils will receive a revision pack to be used in school and at home.



Key Stage 4 Geography

Pupils have been provided with a GCSE revision pack with flashcards, a knowledge organiser and a past paper booklet to help them prepare for their forthcoming examinations.

Yr. 11 Unit 1 examination: Friday 17th May.

Yr. 12 Unit 2 examination on Tuesday 28th May.

Key Dates

Some key dates:

Thursday 2 May
Monday 6 May
Wednesday 8 May
Friday 10 May

60th Anniversary Mass with the Bishop: All Welcome (*Chapel*, Time: 7.00pm)
Bank Holiday Monday (college closed)
GCSE Examinations Begin
Year 12 Leavers Mass (*Chapel*, Time: **1.30pm**)

Final Prayer

Last Sunday was the fourth Sunday of Easter and was marked as the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Pope Francis calls on everyone to: *"Let Jesus draw you to himself; bring him your important questions; let him challenge you by his presence; More than anyone else, Jesus respects our freedom."*

Lord, you call us by our name.

Help us to be confident in our own unique identity.

To find opportunities to develop our specific gifts and our passions.

Enable us to hear and recognise the call of Jesus in our lives, and those of others.

Amen.

Yours sincerely,



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