



29th January, 2021

Dear Parents/ Guardians

I hope that you and your families continue to stay safe and well.

We have just received official confirmation from The Department of Education that on the foot of public health advice to suppress the spread of Covid-19 school closures will continue at present.

I would like to thank you for your support in moving our whole school back to remote teaching and learning. We are delighted with the excellent engagement of our students, the constant high attendance in classes and the strong work ethic shown by all the community. To support our students we have arranged the loan of over 90 chrome books, held drop in digital support sessions for those struggling with IT issues and weekly study tips for remote learning classes.

The regular surveys that we send to students, teachers and parents really assist us to see how everyone is progressing and also to adjust our plans where needed. We continually reiterate the importance of self care at these times and please remind your daughter to have movement breaks between classes and full breaks at the end of the school day. We are encouraging our students to get outside, rain, hail or snow for fresh air and a change of location.

Your daughter should be at her desk by 8.30am each school day, following her timetable and ensuring that she is present for roll calls. App notifications are sent each day to alert parents of student absence. This has been a great success in ensuring that students are present at all classes. To maximise engagement in classes your daughter should have her camera on in class with an appropriate background and be wearing suitable attire.

We have moved all house exams and mock exams to after the mid term break and we will contact all our students to update them as more information becomes available.

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We encourage your daughter to stay connected with her classmates and teachers and to contact the relevant school personnel within school hours if extra help is needed.

My best wishes to you and all our students for a safe and rewarding engagement with remote learning.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'M Gorby', is written over a horizontal blue line.

Marguerite Gorby  
Principal