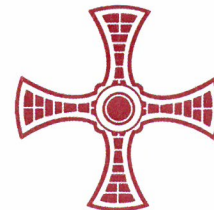




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Dear Parents and Carers

I hope you and your families are well. As we approach the end of term, I write to you with messages of thanks and good wishes.

I begin by congratulating our students on how well they have conducted themselves this term. Overwhelmingly, their work and behaviour has been first rate. I cannot commend them highly enough. We know that this positive attitude is due in great part to the encouragement they receive from home. I would like to thank you all, on behalf of the school, for your ongoing support. I am sure you will also join with me in thanking all staff at the school for their continued efforts in working with and for our young people.

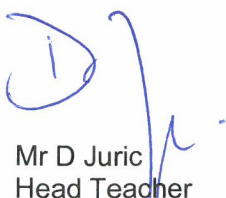
We have seen some disruption to students' attendance due to COVID this term but fortunately less so than last school year. We continue to do all we can to minimise the numbers affected and we thank you for reiterating to students the messages of hygiene, mask wearing, testing, and so on. It is important that we maintain these good practices next year too. We realise that for those affected by absence it is far from ideal and we have worked hard to provide remote learning for students absent due to COVID. I wish particularly to congratulate those students, who are preparing for examinations this summer, on their continued focus and hard work. As a school community we pray this Christmas for all those affected by COVID and those working in its prevention or who care for those suffering from the virus.

Unfortunately, this Christmas, we have been unable to invite you into school, as we would normally do, to join with us in prayer and celebration, due to current restrictions. However, throughout Advent students have been preparing for Christmas in school. We have had a tremendous response to our charitable work for the Society of St Vincent de Paul. We have collaborated daily with the Youth Mission Team in Advent prayers. Finally, at the end of term we will be concluding with a liturgy and celebration event with all students.

I wish all students a very Happy Christmas and a chance to rest and spend time with family. It remains for me to wish you all likewise a very happy, peaceful, and holy Christmas and to send you my very best wishes for 2022.

Thank you for your ongoing support and cooperation. As a school, we keep you all in our prayers.

Yours faithfully


Mr D Juric
Head Teacher



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