



PATRICIAN SECONDARY SCHOOL

NEWBRIDGE, CO. KILDARE, W12 XV38

Meánscoil Phádraig, Droichead Nua, Co. Chill Dara.



Dear Parents / Guardians / Students,

I hope that this letter finds you safe and well, and looking forward to the midterm break. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support of our school community during this period of remote Teaching and Learning. The commitment given by our students and staff in supporting the delivery of a high quality online educational experience for all is inspirational and very much appreciated.

To our student's, 'Thank You'. We are mindful that the five weeks since Christmas have been difficult for one and all but it is a testament to the calibre of student that we have in Patrician Secondary School that you have engaged so positively and continue to give of their best. Our hope is that you now take a week to rest and refresh and to enthusiastically reengage with us on our return.

To our exam classes, I want to reassure you that despite the uncertainty that exists around the format of the Junior and Leaving Certificate examinations you can be certain that we in Patrician Secondary School will be here to support you through the months ahead. Please don't despair or worry, focus only on what is within your control and be assured that by all of us continuing to work together we will prevail.

As you are aware discussions are ongoing within the DES in relation to the reopening of schools at the earliest opportunity in line with public health advice. It is our hope that details may emerge shortly that will give clarity and guidance to support this reopening. We are all looking forward to returning and once again seeing each other face to face.

Our thoughts and prayers are with those families that may have lost loved ones or may have had family members feeling unwell with Covid-19 over the last few weeks. Please feel comforted in the knowledge that the Patrician Secondary School community are here to support and help you in your time of need if we can be of any assistance.

From all the staff in Patrician Secondary School, we wish you and your families a safe, restful and happy midterm break.

Sincerely,

Pat Moloney (Principal)