



20<sup>th</sup> March 2020

Dear Parent / Carer,

As you will be fully aware the country at present is dealing with a range of difficult circumstances that stem from the invasion of all our lives by the coronavirus. Education is no exception.

The government have already announced that all schools will closed on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March until at least the end of the Easter holiday. This applies to all students except those whose parents / carers are employed in a grade classified as a 'key worker 'or are classed as a vulnerable student. These students will be provided for at Archbishop Beck Catholic College as outlined in a previous letter.

The government have also announced that all external examinations in the summer for years 11, 12 and 13 students have been cancelled in May and June 2020. At this stage the only information or guidance we have received from the government is that students will all be awarded a grade in August 2020 for the subjects they have studied, but have not outlined in any detail how this grade will be determined.

Please rest assured that as soon as we are aware of any further developments in this area we will contact you immediately.

Can we also assure you that our students will not be leaving their present academic year without being recognised for their many years of hard work and their outstanding contribution to the everyday life of the College. Therefore, events such as the post 16 meal, year 11 prom, year group assemblies and celebratory masses will all take place when it is possible to do so. Hopefully in the near future.

At this stage may we thank you for all your support during this difficult and stressful period in your child's education. Any further information or developments will be communicated to you through the College website.

Yours faithfully

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