



26th March 2021

Dear Parent/Carer

EASTER BREAK

As we end the spring term in preparation for Easter, I would like to wish all families a hopeful and peaceful break. This term has been challenging for many of us, but I have been heartened by the sense of hope and optimism across the College since we reopened on 8th March.

End of term school reports are today being sent to all families. Please be aware that the information reported this time is slightly different to usual. Given the continued disruption during term one, and school closure for the majority of term two, school is not reporting a “progress” grade. Instead, teachers have reported how well your daughter engaged with remote education throughout the most recent school closure. Parents of students in Year 7, 8 and 9 will continue to receive a judgement as to how well your daughter understands the curriculum.

Parents of students in Year 11 and Year 13 will know that schools are unable to report an end of course estimate given the requirement to submit “Teacher Assessed Grades” in lieu of public examinations. We still await detailed guidance from examination boards as to exactly what they will require of schools, but we know from DfE guidance that we will be asked to undertake an evidence-based approach when putting forward grades in each subject. The evidence base will include classwork and assignments completed throughout the course, but importantly, it will also include a series of ongoing assessments upon our return to school after Easter. Please ensure your daughter attends school each day so her teachers have as much evidence as possible to support the grading process. Ongoing assessment will take place in all lessons between Easter and May half term. When we receive further information, we will share it as appropriate.

We will continue to undertake contact tracing for **the first six days** of the Easter break. From Friday, 6th April onwards, NHS Test and Trace will take over tracing requirements should your daughter test positive. If you need to report your daughter as positive in the first six days of the break, please email covidpositive@stjohnbosco.org.uk. Accurate communication with you is vital at this time and “Parentapp” is the most efficient and direct way for the school to communicate important information. Please ensure you download ‘Parentapp’ if you do not currently have it.

All students should return to school on **Monday, 12 April 2021 at their normal start time**. Please ensure that your child arrives back to school adhering to the high standards of uniform and appearance that are expected and is equipped with a face covering. On the days that students attend school in PE kit, they must wear their school blazer. Students should not wear nail varnish, jewellery or make up to school. Mobile phones should be turned off and in bags or blazer pockets throughout the school day or they risk being confiscated. A reminder that full attendance to school is mandatory.

Families who are in receipt of free school meals will continue to be supported throughout this break and vouchers have been sent accordingly.

Please find below links to helpful services who can provide advice and guidance in a number of areas during the Easter break. Further useful links for parents can also be found on our school website.

Yours sincerely,

D Gidman

**Mr D Gidman
Headteacher**



Useful contacts for help and advice during school closure Easter 2021

[Chayn](#) provides support for victims of domestic abuse in a variety of languages

[Karma Nirvana](#) provides support for honour based abuse 0800 5999 247

[Refuge](#) 0800 2000 247

[Victim Support](#) 0808 16 89 111

[LGBT Foundation](#) 0345 330 30 30

[Forced Marriage Unit](#) 020 7008 0151

[Freedom Charity](#) works to combat forced marriage 0845 607 0133

[The Freedom Programme](#) free information for victims 01942 262 270

[Rights of Women](#) provides free legal advice for women 020 7251 6577

[RCJ Advice](#) provides free legal advice for women 0203 745 7707

[Domestic Abuse Organisations](#)

[Citizens Advice](#) 03444 111 444

[GOV.UK](#) (Covid-19 Guidance)

[GOV.UK Domestic Abuse](#)

[NSPCC](#)

[Barnardo's](#)

[NHS](#)

Liverpool

[RASA](#) Rape and sexual abuse support 0151 666 1392

[Victim Care Merseyside](#) local support for victims

[Liverpool Domestic Abuse Services](#) 0151 263 7474

[Merseyside Domestic Violence Service](#) 0780 272 2703

[South Liverpool Domestic Abuse Services](#) 0151 494 2222

Ruby Project (Royal Liverpool Hospital) 0771 428 9180

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[Savera UK](#) (honour based abuse & harmful practice specialist) 0800 107 0726

[Worst Kept Secret](#) (Merseyside helpline) 0800 028 3398

Amadudu Women's Refuge 07801 597 066 0151 734 0083

Support for children:

[Young Persons Advisory Service](#) (YPAS Liverpool) 0151 707 1025

[Childline](#) (NSPCC) 0800 1111

[The Hideout](#) support for children who experience domestic abuse

[Love Respect](#) advice about abusive relationships

Support for men:

[Men's Advice Line](#) (Freephone) 0808 801 0327

[Man Kind](#) support for male victims of domestic abuse 01823 334244

Mental Health

The [NHS](#) has produced guidance and helplines on a range of mental health issues.

[Liverpool CAMHS](#) provides guidance for when people need mental health support or are in crisis.

[Liverpool Learning Partnerships](#) has also developed a bank of key resources.



Government guidance in response to mental health Covid-19 can be found [here](#).

[Samaritans](#)

[Childline](#) (NSPCC) 0800 1111

[Kooth](#) an online community providing support for mental wellbeing for adolescents

[CAMHS](#) child and adolescent mental health services

[Beacon Counselling Trust](#) local counselling charity

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[Chasing the Stigma](#) mental health charity to normalise and humanise mental health issues

[Education Support](#) charity to support the mental health of professionals

[Mind Ed](#) advice and resources for professionals and all adults

[Papyrus](#) charity dedicated to the prevention of suicide amongst young people

[Place 2 Be](#) school-based support and counselling; also provides advice for under 18s

[Hub of Hope](#) mental health guidance

[Association for Young People's Health](#) resources and information for both adults and children

[Young Minds](#) advice and guidance for both adults and children.

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