Sunday 19 April 2020

Dear Parent / Guardian

We hope you and your family are keeping well and that you had a relaxing Easter break with your family. Whilst the College remains closed for the foreseeable future, Term 3 commences tomorrow, Monday 20th April. Our focus in the next number of weeks and months ahead, will be to ensure that pupils are well placed to learn effectively whilst at home, and to support our families as we continue to navigate our way through these uncertain times. It is not ‘normal school’, and we simply ask, that everyone does their best.

Monday 20th April is a Staff Day whereby staff will be preparing additional resources to use in Term 3. Online learning via Google Drive and Google Classroom will resume for all subjects on Tuesday 21st April. Some subjects have already prepared new work and are placing this online for work to commence.

We are very pleased how so many of our pupils adapted well to remote learning in the weeks leading up to the Easter break. We are also mindful however, that remote learning may not always be accessible for everyone. Everyone’s personal circumstances are different.

Please note the following:

1] Should any pupil require hard copies of subject work for Term 3, please email the College on [info@holytrinityc.cookstown.ni.sch.uk](mailto:info@holytrinityc.cookstown.ni.sch.uk) by **6.00pm on Monday 20th April.** Priority will be given to those pupils who are unable to access learning without resources. Staff will be in a position to prepare the relevant resources, and you will be informed when the work is ready for collection.

2] If you are a key worker and there have been recent changes in your circumstances, which may necessitate your child in Years 8 – 10 availing of ‘supervised learning’, please email the College on [info@holytrinityc.cookstown.ni.sch.uk](mailto:info@holytrinityc.cookstown.ni.sch.uk) by **6.00pm on Monday 20th April**. This aspect of support will require advance planning to ensure Government guidelines are followed, particularly that of social distancing. Please note that if pupils can stay at home, they should do so, to limit the spread of COVID-19.

As we commence Term 3, we are incredibly proud of how pupils, parents / guardians and staff have handled the challenging situation in which we find ourselves. We wish everyone well for Term 3 and we look forward to being able to open our doors again and welcoming all our pupils back to Holy Trinity College.

God Bless

Isabel Russell   
Principal