

15 March 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

Re: Early School Closure on Thursday 28 March 2024

I am writing to inform you that the school will close to students at 12.30pm on Thursday 28 March 2024. This early closure will allow all our students, including those who travel a long distance to school, to attend the Maundy Thursday liturgy in their home parish. Maundy Thursday is an essential part of the coming Tridium and Easter celebration of Christ's death and resurrection, and we would encourage all our students and families to attend.

During Lent staff and students have been preparing for the Easter Celebrations in earnest. Each form group has attended a reconciliation service led by KS5 students and each week, during Friday lunchtime, the Stations of the Cross have taken place in the school grounds. Various priests have kindly made themselves available so that there has been a weekly opportunity for individuals to attend Reconciliation. Year 13 students have prepared a dramatisation of Christ's Passion which will be performed on Thursday morning during separate KS3 and KS4/5 services.

To safeguard the students, I would be grateful if you could make suitable arrangements for your son or daughter to be collected at 12.30pm or to make their own way home independently.

Wishing you and your family a restful and Holy Easter,

Yours faithfully

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Mrs A Moise-Dixon Head Teacher

