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Dear Parents/Guardians

It has been very rewarding to see so many of the 6<sup>th</sup> year students presenting for the Leaving Certificate examinations since Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> June. The knowledge that the Accredited grades process had been completed, together with the modifications made to the exams, has ensured that the candidates were more relaxed than the usual cohort of exam candidates. We wish them all well over the coming weeks.

While planning is underway for the next academic year, we await new guidelines from the Department of Education and the HSE as what measures will be required for the new year. We will forward updates to parents via our school app and website from the middle of August. Some dates for next year have been added to the calendar section of the app. I am sure we all hope that we will be able to return to the old normality as soon as possible.

We are really proud of how students and staff have coped over the last 15 months or so. While there have been many challenges what has stood out for me has been the resilience, adaptability, patience and good humour exhibited by staff, students and indeed parents.

As we conclude the year, I would also like to take the opportunity to extend the best wishes and appreciation of the school community to a number of staff members who are departing to take up new opportunities and challenges. Thank you and good luck to Ms Kearney, Ms Morris, Ms Neary, Ms Hackett, Ms Fitzgerald, Ms O'Leary and Ms McSherry. Staff and students will miss their engagement, leadership and expertise in their individual areas of the curriculum..

Deirdre Gogarty/ Principal