

ST. ANNE'S CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL FOR GIRLS

Act justly, love tenderly, walk humbly with your God



3 February 2023

Dear Parents and Carers

Re: February Half term - 13 February – 17 February 2023

I would like to take this opportunity to remind families that school will close for the half term on **Friday 10 February at 3.10pm**. School will re-open on **Monday 20 February** for all year groups at the usual time. I would also like to take this opportunity to remind parents and carers of some important procedures.

Attendance

It is vital for your daughter to attend school regularly to minimise as far as possible the longer-term impact of the pandemic on their education, wellbeing and wider development. We know that children are enjoying being with their friends and the wider social aspects of school. We are keen to make sure students are moving forward in terms of their learning and this is so much easier to secure when students are present.

If you are worried about your daughter attending school, for any reason, the first port of call is to discuss your concerns with the school directly. In addition, this is not the time to take your daughter out of school for a family holiday or other term time leave.

Punctuality

In addition to ensuring excellent attendance, we would also like to remind everybody about the importance of punctuality. Arriving late for school will mean a disrupted start to the day, will disrupt the learning of others and students will miss out on key information.

Groupcall Xpressions

Groupcall Xpressions is an app that you can download free of charge and can be installed on your mobile phone or tablet. It supports both Apple iOS and Android devices.

Xpressions is a dynamic service available for parents and carers to receive information about their child's school life, ensure communication between the school is easier and more effective, as well as knowing how best to support their development and progress.

It is important to note that the Xpressions app should only be downloaded to parent/carer devices and not student devices as this could result in key information being missed.

Once again, thank you for your ongoing support.

Yours faithfully,

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