Tuesday 8th December 2020

Dear Parent

As we approach the Christmas holidays there has been a lot of speculation about whether the Stormont Executive would end school term early in the run up to Christmas due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This has caused a lot of stress and anxiety as people have been unclear about what to expect. As a school we have endeavoured to carry on as normal but we have wondered exactly what is likely to happen.

This morning Mr Peter Weir, the Minister for Education, has sent a letter to school in which he has clearly stated that we will not be finishing before the planned Christmas break. I am pleased that he has sent this because it has removed all ambiguity and doubt around the situation.

As a school we will continue to put the needs of the children first in a personal and pastoral manner as we continue to work our way through this challenging situation.

As Principal I would like to thank all the parents for all their understanding and patience at this time. It is much appreciated.

Yours faithfully

IR Mullen