



## Coláiste Achadh an Iúir Virginia, Co. Cavan

31<sup>st</sup> March 2023

Dear Parents/Guardians

We have reached the end of the Spring term and I hope that you and your families enjoy the Easter break. It has been a long term with lots of activity, assessments, and achievements here in the College. Notably, our Senior Girls Basketball Team were crowned All Ireland A Champions in both the League and Cup competitions.

Starting tomorrow, Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> April, our Leaving Certificate students are participating in their Oral Examinations, and I want to take this opportunity to wish them good luck with their Examinations. A number of staff are present in school during the Examination period and if a student or parent encounters a difficulty at this time, please contact the school immediately, so that we can notify the State Examinations Commission.

Our final term begins on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April for 7 weeks with the Week 33 assessments scheduled from the 15<sup>th</sup> to the 19<sup>th</sup> May. Please ensure that your son/daughter is present in school as much as possible in the last term, in order to reach their potential for all subjects. From a timetable perspective, we are returning to our pre-covid schedule, and all students will follow the same timetable. There will no longer be a split lunch in operation.

A Health and Safety concern has arisen in relation to sign out procedure for students who are being collected for an appointment or due to illness. On occasion, some students have left the school building without appropriate adult supervision. From Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April, all students who are leaving for an appointment must be collected by a parent or guardian. As was the case before Covid, the Parent or Guardian must come into the building and sign out their student from the school office. There will be no exceptions to this rule. Please continue to use the VS Ware App to enter notes for future or past absences. If a student is late for school or returning to school following an appointment, they must sign in at the school office. Students who have not signed out properly, in line with the above procedure will be sanctioned up to and including the enforcement of a suspension.

The Parents Association are considering the introduction of a new school jacket and they will be in touch in due course regarding a fitting day as well as our Annual Uniform Swop Day before the end of term. The antibullying workshops for students and parents, were financed by the Parents Association last term and I want to thank them for their continued support of our school community.

Kind regards,

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Principal

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