

## Loreto Secondary School Clonmel

Coleville Road, Clonmel, Co. Tipperary

22<sup>nd</sup> December 2021

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Today is our last day of term and we know that everyone in the extended Loreto Clonmel community is looking forward to spending some quality time with their families once again.

Although this term has been challenging we have tried to make it as normal as possible for our students. Our extracurricular activities are operating fully with huge participation from students. Many trips have been organised and lots of surprises, such as hot chocolate, dance classes, etc have been organised for our students. All of our normal end of term celebrations and activities have taken place which include Christmas Jumper Day, our Carol Service and our Christmas Show.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank our diligent and committed staff who ensure all these activities happen and who provide many worthwhile opportunities for our students. Staff and students, through this time of uncertainty, have managed to keep learning, working, smiling and laughing together.

With our COVID team members of Ms Powell and Ms Bourke, we would like to thank parents/guardians and students for your support and commitment to COVID protocols over what is now nearly two years. Keeping our school safe is a collective effort and we appreciate your part in that. We want to underline the importance of our shared responsibility to continue to work with all government guidelines. We urge our students and their families to stay mindful of social distancing and COVID-19 protocols over our Christmas holidays so that we can all return to school safely in January.

The school office will close at 12:45pm on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> December 2021 and reopen on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2022 at 9:30am.

We look forward to seeing all our staff and students back together on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2022. However, should it happen that we are closed we have a contingency plan and we will communicate this to you should the need arise.

Please see our Christmas prayer below for all in the extended Loreto Community. With every good wish for a happy and peaceful Christmas.

Yours faithfully,

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Sarah Rice, Acting Principal Michele Culliton, Acting Deputy Principal



Help us to become aware of our own light, gifted from God.

Guide us to see opportunities this Christmas to be an unexpected light for others.

Through our actions let us use our gifts unselfishly, to brighten the days of those around us.

Let us be grateful for all that has been gifted to us, by sharing it freely with others.

Amen.

