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Dear Parent/Carer,

NEW SCHOOL DAY

We recently shared with you details of the new school day, I apologise that the rationale for this was not included in the letter, it is as follows:-

- 1. As a Catholic school we are required to create time for prayer and reflection and to support this, additional assembly time is required. This was identified as a requirement in the Section 48 Inspection in November 2017.
- 2. Progress is of key importance to the school and the opportunity for students to have time to complete homework, as this is seen as a key driver for securing more rapid progress. Supporting the students through intervention is important and the additional prep time will provide for this.
- 3. The well-being of your son is better supported when there is an opportunity for tutors to engage in discussion about concerns and support as they develop as a young person.

Discussions were had as to whether prep should take place at the start or the finish of the day and it was felt that students would better engage at the start of the day than at the end, when year 11 also have additional invention. I trust that this helps to state the reasons why this additional support is being provided for your son and I am sure you will share with me my thanks to staff for supporting this.

Thank you for your continued support, I look forward to working with you and your son in September.

Yours sincerely

Ms J Heffernan

EXECUTIVE HEADTEACHER

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