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Dear Parents and Carers

Having reviewed the weather for tomorrow and Thursday and taking into account the weather warnings in place from the Met Office, we have made the decision that on Wednesday 24th and Thursday 25th June, the school will close to students in **Years 7-9** at 12.15pm so that they are not on site during the most extreme temperatures.

We have contacted the bus companies that come onto the school drive and they will now come at the earlier time.

This decision has been made with the students' health and wellbeing in mind, and it is therefore our expectation that students go straight home and stay cool and hydrated.

As this week is Challenge Week, students in Year 7-9 will be set enrichment tasks to complete at home, these can be found via this link on the school [Homework - Enrichment KS3 - Oaklands Catholic School and Sixth Form College](#).

During the lockdown period, we produced a document which provided ideas for students to do at home. Although restrictions have been removed, we have decided to retain this document on our website as there are some excellent ideas for students; please click [here](#) for more details.

Year 10 will continue to sit their mock exams as scheduled; those sitting the afternoon exam should finish around 13.15-13.45pm. This will be after the school buses have left the school site and so students in Year 10 will need to make their own arrangements to get home.

Students in **Years 7-10** will be able to go to the canteen and get their lunch at the amended breaktime ahead of their early departure on these days.

Year 9 Camp

We continue to liaise with Mr Wade who is carefully monitoring the situation at camp. This will continue with adjustments made to activities and timings to ensure the students are kept safe. We will update you if anything changes.



Community Unity Opportunity



Year 8 French Trip

Students on the Year 8 French trip are enjoying their time and adjustments have been made to ensure that they are kept safe and comfortable there. We will continue to check in with Mrs Over and update you as needed.

Thank you for your support in this, it is not a decision we have taken lightly and has been made with the safety of our school community in mind.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "A. Bonnington". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping 'A' and a long, sweeping tail for the 'n'.

Mrs A Bonnington
Head of School