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Dear Parent/Carer

May I firstly take the opportunity to thank you all for your first class support over the last three weeks and indeed your ongoing support over this most recent lockdown.

Overall, our blended timetable and masterclass/tutorial schedule has worked well. Attendance has been good and the recent period will hopefully serve to support the transition back to full time learning after the Easter period.

### Choc & Talk

You will be aware that we set up a 'Choc & Talk' experience for all pupils on their return - this afforded us the opportunity to gather key themes in relation to pupil wellbeing – our School Counsellor will be following up on said themes and high level messages from our young people after the Easter break.

### Full time Learning

It is our hope that all pupils will return to school on Monday 19 April 2021 – the First Minister will confirm arrangements on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> April 2021 – if there is any deviation from this plan, I will be in touch during the Easter break.

### 'Royal Resources'

I am delighted to share that our 'Royal Resources' initiative has gone from strength to strength. We have been able to support a number of families by issuing school uniform and toiletries. If anyone needs an item of clothing/toiletries etc. post Easter, please email the following address: [royalresources@glow.sch.uk](mailto:royalresources@glow.sch.uk) and your request will be treated in confidence. Can I once again thank Mr Muirhead (PT Family Learning) for his support and drive of this initiative and of course, our Parent Council, who continue to provide us with the financial support that has allowed us to meet the evolving needs of our community.

### Virtual Easter School

Virtual Easter school will run over the Easter BREAK. All lessons will be delivered remotely via Google Meet. A copy our virtual schedule can be found on our school website – the secure password has been sent out via text. May I take this opportunity to thank the significant number of staff who have given their time to support our learners.



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## S4 – S6 Evidence Gathering Schedule

As assessment timeline for all senior phase courses has now been devised and shared on our school website and via our Google Classrooms. This will allow our young people to plan their study schedules and hopefully alleviate some of the pressure felt.

## IRA Virtual Night School

In advance of the S4 – S6 Assessments, staff will be offering virtual lessons in the evening. A timetable for our 'Virtual Night School' will be published on our website and Google Classrooms post Easter.

With the very best of wishes,

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