**IMPORTANT NOTICES FOR MAY/JUNE 2021**

One unfortunate outcome of the current pandemic is that all our end of year celebrations where we acknowledge the excellence of our students during the school year will have to be significantly adjusted. This is done to take account of the advice provided to us by the medical experts and the Department of Education.

**PARENTS’/AWARDS DAY**

Parents’/Awards Day is on **Tuesday May 18th** **at 2-00pm**. We are delighted to announce that Bishop Nulty will once again celebrate mass from St. Clare’s Church in Graiguecullen followed by the awards ceremony. This will be broadcast live via the Parish Webcam to all classrooms <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RAuA2Nq-Wgw>. This is the one time when the College Community comes together, and we urge you all to attend if possible and help to make it a special event.

**SIXTH YEAR GRADUATION MASS**

We are inviting our Leaving Certificate students and their parents/guardians to join us for their Graduation Ceremony at 7-30pm on Tuesday May 25th. This will also be broadcast live to all homes via the Parish Webcam <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RAuA2Nq-Wgw>. We hope that each family will gather at home to make it a special event. It is not the final celebration the students would like as we all understand. Health and Safety for all is paramount at present with the Leaving Certificate exams coming shortly. Mr. Conway who is Yead Head for the group has commissioned a special sports shirt for each member of the Graduating class.

We will not be hosting the traditional Transition Year Graduation ceremony this year due to effect the pandemic had on our ability to present the programme as planned.

**HOLIDAYS AND EXAMS**

Many adjustments have been made this year because of the pandemic. The DES has advised us that Friday May 28th is to be the latest day of school for all students. All classes have been advised of the schedule and format of exams for them as we near the end of year. 3rd Year and Leaving 1 groups will have formal exams. 2nd Year groups will have a combination of CBA’s and class tests. 1st Year groups will have class tests.

Transition Year Students will finish on Friday May 21st.

3rd Year Students will finish on Wednesday May 26th.

1st & 2nd Year Students will finish on Thursday May 27th.

Leaving 1 & Leaving 11 Students will finish on Friday May 28th at 1-15pm.

Teachers will spend the remaining time undertaking the very important work associated with the Accredited Grades Process for submission to the State Examinations Commission.

The Leaving Certificate exams will commence on Wednesday June 9th and we wish all our students the very best of luck in their exams.

**OUTSTANDING FEES**

We would appreciate if **all** outstanding fees (Study/Transition Year/School Support Contribution etc.) are fully paid by **Friday May 21st**.