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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parent/Guardian,

At the moment the School is in full mock examination mode with the 3rd and 6th Years working well. There are a few events coming up which I would like to bring to your attention.

The School will be holding a Transfer Day for all incoming First Year and mentors this Friday 10th March and therefore classes will be suspended for that day. Buses will still operate for Mentors to travel to School.

This term as part of our Junior and Senior Cycle SPHE (Social Personal and Health Education) programme we will be teaching a module on Relationships and Sexuality Education (RSE). RSE is much wider than the physical aspects and includes the moral, spiritual, social and psychological parts of each person. In Junior Cycle RSE is divided into three main areas: Human Growth and Development, Human Sexuality and Human Relationships. These lessons are given together with the Love for Life presentation given in November, the areas in Religious Education classes taught by the School Chaplain, Mrs Chambers that cover aspects of RSE and in SPHE classes. Your son or daughter may wish to talk about some of the issues raised and you are best placed to address any concerns they may have. Please let the School know if you have any questions about the RSE programme.

On Saturday 25th March there will be a Colour Run at the School in aid of Pieta House (Pieta House provides a free, therapeutic approach to people who are in suicidal distress and those who engage in self-harm) and on the evening of Monday 24th April the Parents' Association in conjunction with Deelee College Parents' Association are holding a fundraising 5Km walk or run in aid of Jigsaw Donegal; further information about both these events will be given nearer the time. It is not too late to forward the €50 voluntary donation to the work of the Parents' Association which can be sent into the School Office for collection.

It is most important that students don't leave anything of value on the bag racks overnight and at weekends since the bag racks are open to the public and are not safe.

A date for your diary is the School Concert on the evening of Thursday 10th May in the An Grianán Theatre, Letterkenny.

Kind regards

Howard Welch