



1<sup>st</sup> March 2017

**Re: Exceptional Closure**

Dear Parent,

I am writing to inform you that we are taking our final exceptional closure of 2016/17 on **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2017**. We hope this will provide a nice long weekend for all our families (I believe some parents may already be on holiday this day).

The Year 1 to 7 teachers will be focusing on updating their **topic planners**. This will be the final stage of a three-year process when we have updated our planners for literacy, numeracy and topic studies. We are very proud of what we have achieved on this 'journey' to improve our provision for our pupils.

The nursery department will be developing their campus by organising resources and planning for a more open use of the nursery environment. We are excited by the prospect of providing new learning experiences for the rest of this school year.

School ends on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March at the normal times. On Monday 20<sup>th</sup> March school will recommence.

I would like to thank you in advance for your support and cooperation.

Yours sincerely,

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