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College Opening – Emergency Arrangements

Dear Parent/Guardian

The College opened this morning for the children of “Key Workers” and “vulnerable” children in Years 8, 9 and 10 who had no alternative but to come to school. We had no children attend.

In consultation with my Board of Governors I have decided to close the school today for both students and staff. That said, I am aware that as circumstances evolve and people’s situations change families may require a supervised learning service in the future.

To support us in planning for the provision of such a service it is imperative that you contact me in a timely fashion. I would ask that you email me before Friday of any given week to let me know if your child needs to attend school on any day, Monday to Friday, of the following week. You can contact me on the school’s email info@stbenedictscollege.co.uk or on my school email cmcateer744@c2kni.net

Please note that alternative childcare arrangement should always be explored BEFORE deciding to send your child to school. School should, in effect, be a LAST RESORT. This is in order to comply with general Public Health Advice on social distancing.

As the school will be closed the best means of communication will be via email.

Remote Learning began today. To assist you and your child with their learning we have placed a suggested subject timetable and daily routine on our website. (Coronavirus- Academic support section) This has also been emailed to your child. Please continue to let us know if you or your child are encountering any technical difficulties and we will try our best to resolve any issues collaboratively.

These are confusing times but I am confident that working in partnership we will be able to meet the challenges ahead.

God Bless.

Yours sincerely

Catriona Mc Ateer

(Principal)