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Dear 6th Year Parent/Guardian,

As stated previously, like every other school we are currently waiting on the Department of Education to give clarification and answers to the many questions that have been put to them in relation to the system of Calculated Grades. When we receive these answers we will arrange to communicate them to you. We ask for your patience on this.

The Department of Education has however, provided clarification on the end of classes for 6th year students. Please see Q&A 32 in their FAQ document:

<https://www.gov.ie/en/publication/2f07eb-leaving-cert-2020-information/#information-for-leaving-cert-students>

The Department states that:

“As of 11th May 2020, tuition (whether online or in other ways) ceased for all sixth-year leaving certificate students. This applies to the Leaving Certificate established, Leaving Certificate Applied (LCA) and Leaving Certificate Vocational Programme (LCVP).

No additional work will be accepted from students from this date. Teachers and students may not discuss the student’s achievement in the subject over the past two years. Nor can they discuss the student’s ranking in a class, or their estimated mark or the level at which an estimated mark is to be provided in a subject.”

6th Year students and/or their parents/guardians are respectfully asked not to contact 6th year teachers about anything in relation to teaching, learning or assessment.

General parental queries can be emailed to info@loretobray.com, in the usual way.

Students remain students of the school until the end of the school term. Accordingly, a small number of staff may need to be in touch with the students in the coming days and weeks about non teaching-learning-assessment matters e.g. How to mark the end of term together online; ideas for a future graduation; arrangements to get belongings from lockers, subject to public health advice considerations etc. We will keep you informed of any arrangements.

I know this is not the way any of us would wish to finish up with the 6th years but let’s look forward to the day when we can all be safely together again.

Yours sincerely,

Emma Raughter
Principal