## 12/03/2020

## Dear Parents/Guardians

As a result of the announcement of school closure until March the 29<sup>th</sup>, the following are the arrangements in place, so that students can continue with their learning during this time.

We plan to continue with all schoolwork through the use of our Virtual Learning environment. We are very fortunate at Dominican College, Sion Hill, that we are well placed to deal very effectively with this contingency. The use of technology in Learning and Teaching is very well established and we now expect students to take ownership of their learning during the period of this closure.

Every student has been advised and is expected to adhere to their school timetable every day, Monday – Friday, starting Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March. In the case of non-exam subject slots, they will be expected to do revision, homework and/or assignments.

Students can expect to receive communications from all their teachers for work, including instructions, planning, assignments, and revision to be done on the days they would be timetabled with that teacher.

The main platforms for communication with students will be Schoolwise, Schoology, and Hangouts Meet by Google.

The school will monitor student online activity during the period of the closure to ensure that learning will continue.

If you have any questions or concerns, please e-mail me @ <u>Sheila.drum@sionhillcollege.ie</u> and I will back to you by e-mail or phonecall.

Yours sincerely

Sheila Drum (Principal)