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Dear Parents / Carers,

We go on holiday today Thursday, 1st April and we will reopen on Monday, 19th of April.

The hope is that all pupils will return to school with no social distancing although pupils will still be expected to wear masks unless there is an underlying health condition.

Thank you for being so supportive during this busy term. Pupils have behaved impeccably and with great patience as we have tried to navigate this difficult and seemingly ever-changing situation with regard to Covid restrictions.

The summer term will include three in-service days – May 6th and June 7th and 8th. This will allow for teaching staff to set and correct the assessments and to work with other schools to ensure that the grades given are consistent across the country. This is a huge and very complicated task normally done by the Scottish Qualifications Authority but now the responsibility of schools.

With regards to further details about next term's planned Senior Phase assessments, please see the accompanying document.

We are sad to say goodbye to our Chief Cook Maggie Mackenzie who is leaving us. She has worked here for twenty-five years and we wish to thank her for her dedication, her patience and her contribution to the life of the school. We hope that she has a very happy retirement.

Talking of which, I had a significant birthday recently and so intend retiring in the summer. My last day as Head Teacher of Portree High School will be August 15th.

More details will follow next term.

Meanwhile, I hope that you have a very happy Easter – and thank you as always for your ongoing support.

Yours sincerely,

Catherine A. MacDonald

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