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Dear Parent/Guardian

As we reach the end of our first week of 'normal' back at school, I wanted to write to you with some information.

We were delighted to see so many students back in school this week. Our average attendance was 85.46%, and we are expecting this number to rise next week as more students have indicated they are going to return. The vast majority of students have settled in very well and are working hard to re-establish their in-school learning. I would encourage each student to make the most of the time we have left in this term; with focus, a willingness to learn and their teacher's help, they can achieve a lot.

The Minister for Education has been clear that school attendance is optional until the end of term. However, with such a large proportion of students back in, our focus has shifted fully to in-class teaching and learning. This means we are not in a position to offer an extensive remote learning provision any more. Now that it's clear which students require materials to work at home, we will arrange for this to be distributed.

In my last correspondence with you, I said that we would review school uniform requirements at the end of the first week. Now that we have reached that point, I can confirm that **school uniform at CRHS will remain optional** until the end of this academic year. We have reviewed any feedback that we have received, and while I can appreciate that some parents would prefer the reinstatement of full uniform, the larger majority supported the current arrangement. I still believe this helps students with the transition back to school after a long period away, and I can understand that a lot of parents are reluctant to purchase new uniform now, with four weeks left until the end of term, when children may outgrow it over the summer break.

We understand that the closure of the island's schools saw the cancellation of many events too. Unfortunately, with such a short amount of time left between now and the end of term, there is no way of rescheduling everything that was planned. I can, however, confirm that students in years 12, 10 and 9 will receive a tracking report towards the end of the term, and students in years 7 & 8 will receive an enhanced tracking report, which will include a brief tutor comment.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your ongoing support, and ask that you continue to encourage your son/daughter to engage fully with their education.

If you have any questions please contact us via CRHSEnquiries@sch.im or call 693500.

Yours faithfully



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