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Dear Parents,

How are you and your family today?

Yesterday our Minister announced 4 pupil free days before Easter (6, 7, 8 and 9 April) for all of our schools and preschools. This will provide teachers and support staff time to focus on transitioning to flexible teaching and learning ready for term 2. These days are pupil free so there will not be on-line lessons as teachers will be working towards extending the on-line support and correspondence learning. Some senior and middle school teachers will be running trials with their groups next week.

OSHC (located in Kingscote) will be available during the pupil free days, please contact KICS on **85532436** if you wish to make a booking.

We are progressing everyday with our on-line learning platforms at KICE. Senior Years and Middle Years teachers have been trialling on line learning with their classes, with promising results at this early phase.



I have spoken with a few parents who are anxious about learning at home expectations. Please be assured we understand that every family is in a unique situation and will undertake learning at home to a level that suits their child and their family situation. We understand that many of you are working, could be unwell or having to care for toddlers so learning at home will look different for each family. Children and their wellbeing is our priority.

Some families have internet access other families do not. Please don't worry we will work through what is best for you and your child in the coming weeks.

For younger children we wouldn't expect the same type of schedule they experience at school. If you are able to use the provided resources and incorporate Reading, Writing and Maths into the day that would be terrific, it is about what is manageable.

Thank you for the feedback we have received, it has been both reassuring and valuable in our future planning.
We are in this together, I will keep in touch with regular updates.

Regards,

Maxine

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