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Dear Parent / Guardian,

We hope that you have had a restful and healthy Christmas break.

Next week, on Thursday 11 January, we will be hosting our annual Open Night. This evening event is an opportunity for prospective pupils in Primary 7 to view the school before they and their families make their applications for Year 8.

To facilitate preparations for this, the College will finish at 12 noon on Thursday 11 January for all pupils. Pupils may pre-order a packed lunch for collection at the end of the day if they wish. Transport arrangements are as follows:

- Pupils from Newtownards will be able to get the school bus at 12.00 in the school grounds.
- Comber (Cemetery) to Dundonald at 12.15
- Comber (Cemetery) to Killinchy/Killyleagh at 12.40
- Comber (Killinchy Street) to Ballygowan at 13.45

Many of our pupils will be involved in helping staff with Open Night. Permission slips for this should be returned to the relevant member of staff no later than Wednesday 10 January. Only pupils who are supporting staff should be in attendance on Open Night.

Friday 12 January is a School Development Day, so pupils should not attend with the exception of those who attend SERC: SERC pupils should attend as normal.

Prior to the winter break, you will have seen reports of planned strike action on Thursday 18 January which will involve teaching and non-teaching staff. It is likely that the College will be closed to pupils on this day. A further notification will be sent next week to confirm arrangements.

Further information will also follow in relation to our Year 9 parent/guardian consultation, Year 11 Learning Guidance Forum and Year 12 Mock examinations which will take place this month.

The Parent Teacher Association will meet on Thursday 25 January in the College Library at 6pm, and the PTA Quiz Night and Ballot will take place in Comber Rec on Friday 2 February from 7.30pm. Your support at these meetings and events is very much appreciated.

Kind regards,

Miss V Thompson
Acting Principal