



January 2026

Dear Parent/Guardian

I hope this letter finds your family and you well. Likewise, I trust the winter examinations are going as well as possible for your son/daughter. **Please note that all parents need to have downloaded the Parent App** to access their son/daughter's Reports and the information regarding the SchoolCloud system – the Winter Reports will be published later in the term.

I take this opportunity to remind you of the key dates that I have previously communicated and please find below a copy of the bus timetable for early closure days.

JANUARY

Monday 26 January 2026 - Open Night 7.00-9.30pm
(Early closure - normal classes will end for all pupils at 12.35pm)

FEBRUARY

Monday 9 - Friday 13 February 2026 - Half Term Holiday for pupils
Wednesday 18 February 2026 - Year 10 Parent Consultation in-person (1.30-3.30pm)
Wednesday 18 February 2026 – Year 10 Parent GCSE Options Presentation (3.45-4.15pm)
(Early closure - normal classes will end for all pupils at 12.00pm)

MARCH

Thursday 12 March 2026 - Year 9 Parent Consultation via SchoolCloud (4.00-6.00pm)
Tuesday 17 March 2026 - Bank Holiday
Wednesday 25 March 2026 - Spring Concert 7.30pm Assembly Hall
Friday 27 March 2026 - Year 11 Parent Consultation via SchoolCloud (1.30-3.30pm)
Friday 27 March 2026 - Last day of Spring Term
(Early closure - normal classes will end for all pupils at 12.00pm)

APRIL

Monday 13 April 2026 – First day of Summer Term

Yours faithfully

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Principal

Cc Bus arrangements for early closure



Bus Arrangements for early closures

Route No.	Destination	Time
238	DROMORE	12.12 12.42
538 / 38	DROMORE	12.50 14.45
56	LURGAN	12.40 13.40
62	PORTADOWN	13.00 14.00
29	RATHFRILAND (via Annaclone)	13.35 15.45
30	RATHFRILAND (via Ballinaskeagh)	15.50
66	SCARVA (connection to Tandragee)	14.00 15.35
538	NEWRY	13.40
238	NEWRY	12.33 13.33

Education Authority bus (yellow bus)

Available for 12.35pm collection on Monday 26 January 2026

Rooney Coach

Available for 12.35pm collection on Monday 26 January 2026

TA Travel

Available for 12.35pm collection on Monday 26 January 2026

Boarding points for the service buses above may be checked via the Translink website or by calling the appropriate bus office.

For further information or alternative travel arrangements please visit
<http://www.translink.co.uk>