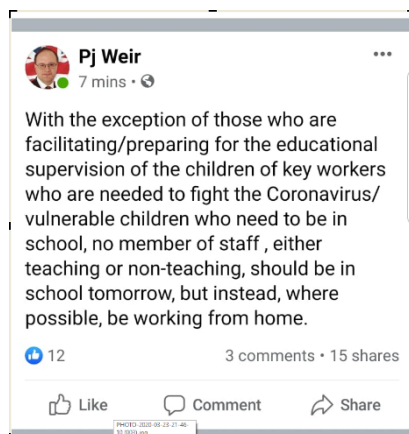




24<sup>th</sup> March 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

We are aware from social media communication that there is now new advice from the Minister of Education to schools which he shared on his Facebook page last night as shown below.



Whilst the College hasn't received a formal written instruction from the Minister outlining this explicit guidance, the Board of Governors feel it is wise to follow his instruction in the health interests of the staff who have been in the College carrying out the daily duties associated with keeping the school operational.

Consequently, **the decision has been taken to close the school premises completely from 3.00pm today Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March 2020. The school will not open until the Board of Governors are in receipt of official correspondence from DoE instructing them that it is safe to do so.**

All staff, including the Principal, have been instructed, where possible, to work from home. We appreciate that there may be some queries, advice or guidance parents/carers and/or pupils may require. Since the normal telephone lines of the school office will not be manned, communications can be directed to one of the following;

- School Facebook page
- [info@cic.crumlin.ni.sch.uk](mailto:info@cic.crumlin.ni.sch.uk)

**In cases of emergency that require an urgent response parents/carers only are asked to contact the school mobile on; 07515 813415**

In the meantime, thank you to all staff, governors, parents and of course pupils for your generous and kind co-operation and patience with the logistical operations to ensure the health and safety of all within the family of Crumlin Integrated College.

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read 'Brendan Loughran'.

Mr B Loughran

(Chair of The Board of Governors)