Reflections on Children and young people during a difficult time.

For young people, it a crucial time as they await the outcome of their grades, anxious about what the future may hold for them, so much relies on their past endeavours. At the end of these few weeks, as they receive their results, they are faced with the choice what the best option is, - it is decision time! That in itself can be a daunting task uncovering the chief pathways to their advancement in life. This year, however, the worry and anxiety are intensified because the question of what will happen not having exams in the usual manner and to all that will follow for these young people.

Schools.

This year, as a result of the schools being closed from March, has led to considerable uncertainty, the teachers have been trying to do all they can to help their pupils, with all their studies online. They have been doing an excellent job of this and deserve our gratitude. The consequence of what is happening now adds to the tension within the families of the young people. So much of family life is focusing on young people who are at this stage of their school life, and this certainly has not been helped by the present crisis of the Covid-19 pandemic.