



'To grow in wisdom and grace.'

Friday 15th May
**Holy Family Catholic High
School Weekly Bulletin**

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Headteacher's Message

We hope you all had a chance to celebrate in your households over the VE Day bank holiday weekend. We have seen some amazing photos of food, bunting and dressing up! A big thankyou to Mrs Ashworth for all the online resources.

Following the Prime Minister's announcements on Sunday the priority for the government and local authority initially will be to support primary schools for their 1st June phased return. We send our best wishes to all our primary colleagues and will support them in any way we can.

The one thing the government announcement has made clear is that the large majority of secondary school students will not be in school before the summer holidays.

Our remote curriculum and learning package will continue to be evolved in light of this information and further guidance from the government. As always, we will update you as we find out more.

Year 10 will be informed once we have more clarity on their opportunity to have 'face to face' contact with us before the summer, and we will contact you all about the arrangements for this during the coming week.

You will all appreciate that these are difficult times for everyone and as a community we must help in every way we can to prevent another 'spike' in cases that would see us heading back to a total lockdown.

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Please be reassured that:

We will continue our phone calls to talk to you and our students

We will continue to provide a curriculum and learning platform for each year group

We will continue to allocate our repurposed 'Microsoft surface tablets' to all who need them

We will continue to be here for you when you need us!

Thanks to all involved in making the following happen.

- Grading our Y11 students in line with OFQUAL guidance
- Updating 'college information' on our website for Y11 students
- Calling all Y11 to give careers guidance and support and reassure them
- Keeping in contact with our students and their families
- 'Tweaking' our online learning following parent and student feedback
- Increasing feedback to students about their work
- Providing 'wellbeing support' for students who are struggling
- Making sure families who are sharing devices have additional IT
- Revising our calendar for the next half term
- Working with feeder schools to look at 'transition' arrangements for Year 6
- Keeping in contact with Y6 and their families
- Organising further praise and rewards for our hard working students

'For with God nothing shall be impossible' Luke 1: 37

Student News and Updates

We appreciate all the efforts being made by you and your parents and carers to manage the balance between 'home learning' and 'well-being'.

Seeing the...

photos of VE day celebrations, students sewing face masks for care homes, food you have grown in your gardens and allotments, biscuits being made for your neighbours, 'window on the world' photos and scripture, models of your designs...

You make us smile and we feel so proud!

"The secret of happiness is not in doing what one likes, but in liking what one does."— James M. Barrie
'If you see someone without a smile give them one of yours.' Dolly Parton



We thought you might like to see how our efforts to make much needed PPE for local hospitals are being used. A huge pile of visors made in school by our technology staff were delivered to York District Hospital Children's Ward 17. They sent us their thanks to everyone involved, as do we! We have now raised over £1300! More to send out in the coming week to local surgeries and children's medical services.

Any further requests please email: enquiry@holyfamilycarlton.org

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Chaplaincy

Message from Fr. Wilson, Parish Priest

Someone recently described the times in which we are now living as "crazy." Certainly the changes we have experienced in our daily lives have been very dramatic.

Many of you will not have been at school or work for several weeks. During that time over 30,000 people have died in hospital or in nursing homes. For many people, especially the elderly and those with underlying health problems, these last 7 or 8 weeks since lockdown began have been frightening. "Social distancing" has become a way of life, though at times it can be difficult to practice.

Many of our students are missing being at school, missing seeing their friends every day, though social media has been a "lifesaver." My life too has changed since the middle of March when I last celebrated Mass in school. Like many others, I have been working from home!

With all churches closed, it has not been possible to celebrate public Masses, or baptisms or weddings or funerals. I am unable to make the regular visits to sick and elderly parishioners which are part of my normal weekly routine.

The strangest time of all was Holy Week when I celebrated the special liturgies on my own in a locked church and on Easter Sunday, when the church is normally packed, it was much the same.

On a more positive note, there has been a great community atmosphere every Thursday as we applaud the NHS and frontline workers. In school, Mrs Neal and her team have been producing PPE for keyworkers and many of you have been helping out in your local community.

I hope you continue to keep safe and follow the guidelines so that when this dreadful time is over, we can gather again and "step out in faith, knowing that Christ is with us and united as a holy family."

God bless
Fr. Wilson

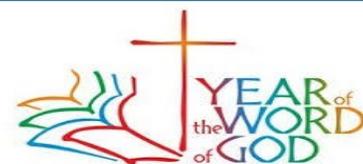
Prayer for the fifth Week of Eastertide

Lord, you have chosen us to have a real and loving relationship with you, and you say we should 'love one another as you love us': to love without limits, without judgement and in the same generous way you love.

Lord, in this Fifth Week of Easter we ask for your help and guidance to love as you love and we thank you for laying down your life for us. Amen.

Celebration Projects

Thank you to those students who have sent in their projects that we can celebrate as a community. We are celebrating projects throughout the year groups, and have invited students to take part in our Progress Leader Challenges, but please let us know of anything you are doing yourself, or even were involved with in school before the closure that we can look back on and remember together.



To celebrate the Year of the Word, The Diocese of Leeds has launched a new Bible-based activity: Window on the Word. Check this one out on the Year of the Word Instagram:

<https://www.instagram.com/yearofthewordleeds/>

Mrs Mitchell took this picture of a beautiful tree during a lovely day recently in school for our key worker children, placing this verse with it for us all to contemplate.

I am like a green olive tree in the house of God. I trust in the steadfast love of God

Psalm 52:8



Live Mass: Leeds Cathedral, the Mother Church of the Diocese of Leeds, is live-streaming Mass and Devotions daily via its new YouTube Channel, Leeds Cathedral Live:

www.leedscathedrallive.org.uk

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Year 11 Special



Hello my wonderful year 11!

It has been so nice to hear from so many of you over the last few weeks. I am proud of your resilience and the way in which you are handling this situation. Many of you have taken this opportunity to reconnect with family, learn new skills and enjoy some downtime. This is all music to my ears!

Mr Walter has sent information regarding your exam results. Your school family know you very well and we are working with exam boards to provide evidence towards your results. Whatever the outcome, we are proud of you and you should be too. Be proud of the person that you have grown into, shaped by your experiences with us.

Mr Devlin has been working really hard to get in touch with colleges and we have also made phone calls to ensure you have everything you need to take the next step. Some colleges have sent out information and work, and some are intending to do this as soon as they can.

It wasn't the perfect end; it didn't even come close to what we had imagined. However, we will have an opportunity to be together again and celebrate. At this moment, I don't know how this will be packaged but rest assured we want to celebrate the end of your journey at Holy Family as much as you do.

Maya Angelou said *"I've learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel."* Humbled. Privileged. Honoured. It is for these reasons that I miss you all very much and I will never forget how you made me feel.

Love and God bless, Ms Barlow

Hello Year 11

I just wanted to update you on a few things regarding your post-16 options. We are receiving regular updates from the local colleges with a range of information regarding things such as applications, virtual transition days, and study materials that you can use to help you prepare for your courses. All these updates are available on our school website under the [Student Life](#) tab.

To help answer any questions you may have regarding your next steps, I have asked Janis Wilson, our Independent Careers Adviser, to contact you, so expect a call from her soon. If you need any further information or guidance after the phone call, or you miss her call, please let us know by emailing enquiry@holyfamilycarlton.org

Finally, don't forget there is a lot amount of information on www.unifrog.org regarding post-16 options and beyond. The know-how library is particularly useful, as is the College/Sixth Form search toward the bottom of your Unifrog home page. There is also a huge library of online learning courses, provided by universities from around the world, many of them are free of charge. If you are interested in this, check out the MOOCs section.

Look after yourselves.

Mr Devlin

Careers Leader

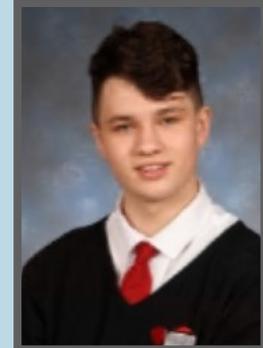


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To all the staff and students of Holy Family, We would just like to say well done to everyone during this hard time. Well done to all the students for keeping up with their learning and adapting to the changes that this pandemic has faced us with. Nevertheless, we as the head boy and head girl of Holy Family want our classmates and teachers to appreciate that we think about you all in our prayers and we shall overcome the weathering of the storms that may challenge us in the future. We'd like to thank the staff for the bustling work they send us and the time and effort they put into the tasks so we can benefit as much as we can from learning at home. We and all the students are very



grateful, thank you for that.

We know that through this arduous time it will become quite easy to lose hope and for us as young adults to get bemused by such times that we never encountered before as also to be agitated due to the unawareness of what the future may hold. Jesus told us we would experience trials and difficult times as such ' I have told you all this so that you may have peace in me. Here on earth, you will have many trials and sorrows. But take heart, because I have overcome the world.' (John 16:33). All of us need to remember that we are all in this together and we will come out at the end of all this stronger and more zealous. You and me, as part of this community that we have built, need to vanquish our dismay and have hope that everything will work out at the end and it being all okay as God sees what we do not. With his Omni benevolence, we have to remember that he is a good God and we can put our trust in his omnipotence and decision making. "This dismay is not bigger than the Lord our God no matter how overwhelming it feels. His tranquillity transcends understanding and circumstance. God's with you through thick and thin and you must remember that."

"But what about 'prom'?" You may be thinking. Unfortunately Carlton Towers are unable to hold events in the coming months . Do not worry though, our prom committee and teachers are working with Herculean diligence to ensure that we will get the celebration Year 11 deserve. All the details are very vague due to the current situation of the pandemic, however, the time will come, as long as we all persevere, that we can look forward to getting together after this is all over.

On another note, don't feel alone in the possible fact of your sporadic sleep schedules and moods, it is very normal at times like these and it will all pass soon enough. You are not alone. Thank you, everyone, for taking the time to read our thoughts as Head Boy and Head Girl of Holy Family and we hope you take care and isolate as much as you can.

Mia Boyle, Head Girl, & Mateusz Depka-Pradzynski, Head Boy



CARLTON TOWERS

As we are all now aware , 'To ensure people are social distancing, the government has prohibited by law all public gatherings of more than two people.' This, along with the latest Government announcement at the weekend, has unfortunately left Carlton Towers with no option but to cancel all events for the foreseeable future.

We recognise the upset that this will cause but felt that it was best to give you this information as soon as we had a definite answer. We have discussed this with your Head Girl and Head Boy, Mia and Mateusz and we all continue to look forward to a time when we are able to celebrate your time here.

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Safeguarding & Well-Being

Footsteps in the Sand for Year 11

One night I had a dream...
I dreamed I was walking along the beach with the Lord, and
Across the sky flashed scenes from my life.
For each scene I noticed two sets of footprints in the sand;
One belonged to me, and the other to the Lord.
When the last scene of my life flashed before us, I looked back at the footprints in
the sand.
I noticed that many times along the path of my life, there was only one set of foot-
prints.
I also noticed that it happened at the very lowest and saddest times in my life,
This really bothered me, and I questioned the Lord about it.
"Lord, you said that once I decided to follow you,
You would walk with me all the way;
But I have noticed that during the most troublesome times in my life,
There is only one set of footprints.
I don't understand why in times when I needed you the most, you should leave me.
The Lord replied, "My precious, precious child.
I love you, and I would never, never leave you during your times of trial and suffer-
ing.
When you saw only one set of footprints,
It was then that I carried you.

May is the Month of Mary

Our Diocesan Lay Chaplains have asked that we all try to pray one Hail Mary each day during the month of May to honour Our Lady. When pray to her let us think of all those in our school community, and that they truly know the love of their Mother, Mary.

Hail Mary, full of grace. The Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou amongst women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. **Holy Mary**, Mother of God, **pray** for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death, Amen.

Je vous salue, Marie, pleine de grâces, le Seigneur est avec vous; vous êtes bénie entre toutes les femmes, et Jésus le fruit de vos entrailles, est béni. Sainte Marie, Mère de Dieu, priez pour nous pécheurs, maintenant, et à l'heure de notre mort. Amen.

Student Wellbeing: If a pupil wishes to access support, or there are any concerns regarding the welfare of our young people, please contact us on our email enquiry@holymfamilycarlton.org.

Or access the following resources:

NSPCC NetAware provides a useful guide to social networking

National Online Safety have a series of guides to support remote learning

Thinkuknow the education programme to protect children, on and offline

Childnet has a Parent and Carer Toolkit designed to help you talk to your child about their online life

Kooth: Free, safe and an anonymous online support for young people.

How to support children with their mental health during this time:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-guidance-on-supporting-children-and-young-peoples-mental-health-and-wellbeing/guidance-for-parents-and-carers-on-supporting-children-and-young-peoples-mental-health-and-wellbeing-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak>

The following resources are available to support students:

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Chat Health Mental Health/General Health enquiries:

"Text Service" 07520 619750

(8.30am – 4.30pm Monday to Friday)

MindMate: Emotional Wellbeing and Mental Health:

Online/telephone 0300 555 0324 www.mindmate.org.uk



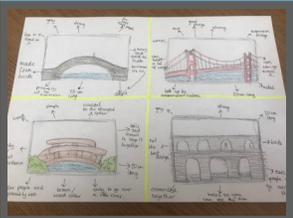
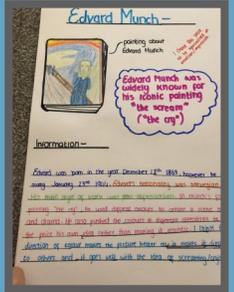
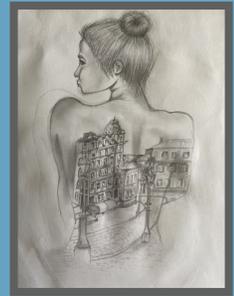
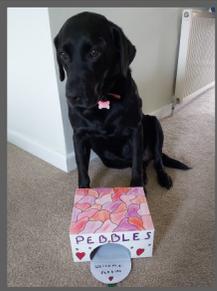
Compass BUZZ offers a confidential text messaging service to young people aged 11-18 across North Yorkshire. The service was named in conjunction with young people and is called BUZZ US.

By texting the service on **07520 631168** you will be able to receive confidential advice, support and signposting from a wellbeing worker within one working day via text. If you do not live in North Yorkshire, as you attend Holy Family you can use the school as your address, and you will also be entitled to free help and advice.

An addendum has been added to The Holy Family Catholic High School Child Protection Policy to cover this period of school closure. The policy is displayed on the school website:

<http://www.holyfamilycarlton.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/COVID19-Addendum-03.04.20-.pdf>

Reward & Recognition



Oliver	K	Hospitality & Catering
Tilly	W	History
Jack	P	RE
Emma	F	Mathematics
Alexus	L-D	History
Luke	C	Mathematics
Neve	W	Biology
Fabio	N	RE
Will	J	History
Alexus	L	History
Molly	C	History
Grace	V	Art
Lucy	J	Art
Arianna	B	Art
Alexus	L-D	Art
Keira	D	Art
Dylan	M	Design Technology
George	M	Design Technology
Ella	D	Design Technology
Aimee	W	P L Challenge
George	M	VE Day
Luke	C	VE Day
Ella	B	VE Day
Ella	D	VE Day
Max	M	VE Day
Mrs	N	VE Day
Jess	O	VE Day
Lily	B	VE Day
William	D	VE Day
Aimee	W	VE Day
Alexus	L-D	VE Day
Alan	B	VE Day
Beth	A	VE Day
Jessica	A	VE Day
Heather	H	VE Day
Emily	H	VE Day



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This week's 'Top Podder' is **Nikodem D.** Holy Family are still the second most prolific podders in the whole region! Wow!!

Victory In Europe Day! Thank You!



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