



Friday 9<sup>th</sup> October

Dear Parents and Carers,

Normally at this time of year, we would be showcasing our fantastic school and students on our annual open event. As this is not possible, this year we have prepared a 'virtual open event' that we are launching on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> October at 5pm! This will be available for anyone to watch, at any time, following the link from our website/twitter/Facebook.

A big thankyou to all our students and staff who took part in the filming. It was a real united effort to pull this together...

'Together we step out in faith, knowing that Christ is with us and united as a holy family.'

## School News

### **Y6 'Tour of the school'**

We have offered 'socially distanced' tours of Holy Family, on evenings, for anyone who wanted to meet us personally and to see the school site. These have been very popular, if you know anyone else who is interested, we have added extra dates and times! Just email: [admissions@holyfamilycarlton.org](mailto:admissions@holyfamilycarlton.org)

### **Keeping Safe (Covid-19)**

We urge everyone to stay vigilant and follow the Public Health England guidance. Our area is not under any local restrictions at the moment but many neighbouring areas are!  
Remember...  
**'Hands, Face, Space'**

### **Praise for our Year 11 students...**

Staff have been very impressed with the positive attitude of our Year 11 students in both their lessons and in our extra intervention provision.  
**'A positive mind finds opportunity in everything'.**

### **'Attitude to Learning' Reports**

We will be collecting our 'Attitude to Learning' information from teachers next week and these reports will be issued before half term. Students with outstanding or much improved reports will be invited to our year group 'rewards breakfasts'. Student progress leaders will contact parents/carers if any extra support or provision is needed.

### **Y11 Student Leadership Team**

We are interviewing for our Student Leadership team before half term. Students have submitted wonderful applications and this will be a great (and nerve-wracking!) experience for them. Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers. When our Y11 team are assembled, they will be leading our other year groups and our school council.





## Uniform

We are now up to 98% of our students in correct school uniform and PE kit! More students have sensibly worn school jumpers and winter coats this week as the weather turns colder. We will continue to ask students to remove hoodies in school and if they persist, we will confiscate hoodies and ask you to collect them. Many thanks for your continued support.

## Relationships and Sex Education (RSE)

If there are any more parents/carers who would like to be part of our RSE working party, please get in touch before Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> October as we are arranging a meeting for the week before half term. Just email: [enquiry@holycarnton.org](mailto:enquiry@holycarnton.org)

## Catholic Life

Thank you for all your donations to the CAFOD Harvest Appeal. Many of our students and staff had 'soup and a roll' for their lunch today as part of 'Family Fast Day'. Our students have learnt about the good work of CAFOD this week and reflected on how we can help individuals and communities in need.

As part of the virtual event 'filming' this week, I prepared my 'Headteacher Welcome'. It soon became apparent that I could not fit all that I had to say about this fantastic school into a short video.

However, on the day of filming, when I saw our students and staff preparing their own inputs, I quickly realised that I did not have to worry. They had covered the most important things to say! I feel that as a 'united family' we have captured the essence of 'Holy Family Catholic High School' in our event.

Well done everyone, you always make me, and your community, proud.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs D. Mitchell  
Headteacher

