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Dear Parents and Carers,

Farewell to Year 11

Our Y11 Leaver's Assembly was a wonderful event. Each form planted a tree and they reflected on their time here at Holy Family and this special community. They came together, as a year group, for a liturgy and their assembly. Thanks to everyone who gathered photographs and clips from over the years; there were smiles on everyone's faces. The Christmas lunch photos from Year 7 were so adorable! There were heartfelt speeches from myself, Mr Devlin, form tutors and representatives from each form. Students then had a lovely brunch, collected their leavers' hoodies and signed each other's shirts. They have been an amazing year group and it has been a pleasure and a privilege to watch them 'grow in wisdom and grace'. Staff would like to pass on their thanks to our students and parents for all the lovely messages, cards and gifts.

Year 6 to Year 7 Transition

We were informed earlier this week that schools are not going to be able to go ahead with the transition day on 6th July. A separate letter will be sent to parents of Year 6 early next week to explain the changes we are making to our transition programme and transition evening, in line with the latest government guidance.

Year 8 online Parents Evening

Booking for our parents evening will go live later next week. Staff will be talking to parents about their child's learning and their results, strengths and areas for development from the recent assessments.

Y10 (our new Year 11) Assessments

These take place next week. Please refer to the calendar of assessments for more information and we would be grateful if you can check that students have the right equipment!

Y9 (our new Year 10) Assessments

Well done to Year 9 who have completed formal assessments this week. It is great to see so many with a great attitude to their studies.

Reminder dates:

Thursday, 01 July: 3:30 – 18:00, Year 8 Parents' Evening – Online

Thursday, 15 July: 3:30 – 18:00, Year 7 Parents' Evening – Online

Finally this week, appreciation to all our wonderful staff. This year they have been asked to assess and assign teacher assessed grades for Year 11. This has been a huge undertaking on top of their existing workload. We are thankful for all their time and effort.

Please continue to stay safe and to use the Lateral Flow Tests we provide to our students. A few schools are seeing increasing rates and having to send students home to self-isolate. It feels as if we are almost there but not quite!

**I do the very best that I can do to look upon life with optimism and hope
and looking forward to a better day- Rosa Parks**

Yours sincerely

Mrs D Mitchell,
Headteacher