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Dear Parents and Carers,

Quite a few pieces of information and reminders as we approach the end of the first term...

Subject Recognition – Well done to all of the students nominated this week!

English – Ava L (Y10) Maths – Ines L (Y10) RE – Annie B (Y8) History – Laurence M (Y9) Art & Design – Kitty P (Y9) Music – Cameron D (Y9) Computing – Sam T (Y10) Technology – Emma C (Y11)

Science – Freddie C (Y9) French – Olivia H(Y7) Geography – Adam C (Y9) PE – Hermione H (Y9)

Advent Worship

Our Y7 and Y8 students celebrated our 'Service of Light' today at St Mary's Church in Carlton. 8 Bede were involved in our first 'class Mass' during this Advent season. Well done to Sophie P and Pheobe-Rose A who helped Fr Wilson in Mass following their first sacristan training session.

Y11 Mock Exams

Our Y11 students have completed their mock exams. We thank students and staff for ensuring the mock exam process has gone so smoothly. We are grateful to parents and carers for all your support, we know what an anxious experience it can be for families!

Y9/10 Art Trip

Some of our Y9 and Y10 students visited the Van Gogh exhibition in York on Thursday this week. They really enjoyed this experience. Many thanks to Miss Rhodes and Mr Coombs who organised and led the trip.

Y7 Trip to the Skylark Centre

The week before our Eco school club organised a trip to Skylark for year 7s in order for them to understand more deeply the connection between their behaviour and nature and to help them realise that they can make a positive difference to the environment. Thank you to Ms Howard for delivering a first-class experience very much enjoyed by all and to Ms Gibert and Mr Coombs who arranged the visit.

Y9 Parents Evening

Due to heating issues in the Sports Hall, our Y9 parents' evening had to move online. Many thanks for joining our subject teachers 'virtually' again! If you would like any more information please contact enquiry@holyfamilycarlton.org.

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Letter from the Public Health Team

We have forwarded a letter from the 'NYCC Public Health Team' to your emails today. Please read the advice and inform us if your child contracts Strep A or scarlet fever. We will be reminding our students of good hygiene routines to reduce transmission of these and seasonal flu.

Reminder dates for this half term:

Tuesday 13th December: <u>Christmas Coffee Morning</u> from 10am till 12noon. Please email <u>enquiry@holyfamilycarlton.org</u> or phone reception if you would like to attend (this is open to anyone who would like to come along!).

Thursday 15th December: Our Carol Concert takes place between 6pm and 7pm.

Refreshments will be served after the concert. This is always a lovely event and we welcome families to join us. Just email <u>enquiry@holyfamilycarlton.org</u> or phone reception to let us know how many in your family will be coming!

Friday 16th December Reminder. We finish at the normal time, 3pm.

This will be a non-uniform (Christmas Jumper) day. Donations of £1 should be made through Parentpay.

There will be **Christmas lunch** on this day with a set price of £2.50 payable through schools grid. Please respond to the groupcall text sent earlier this week with your child's meal and dessert choice. Students entitled to free school meals should also respond. Thank you. Lunchtimes will be staggered on this day to allow each Year Group to sit together as a family for their meal.

Please note: There will be no other food on offer at break or lunchtime on this day. There will be no after school homework club on Friday 16/12/22.

As it gets colder, we also remind our students to wear winter coats to school, we do not allow hoodies! Thank you for your support.

Today we have looked through all the wonderful donations you have made to our advent appeals. We will be delivering items to the charities and food bank early next week so please send any additional items by the end of the day on Monday. Thank you for your support.

Have a relaxing weekend,

"Christmas is the season for kindling the fire of hospitality." - Washington Irving

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