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Dear Parents and Carers,

It was great to see the parents and carers of our Year 7 students at their parent's evening this week. Many thanks for all your feedback on our questionnaires and for the lovely comments.



Thanks to our partnership organisations and all the staff who have organised and supported our Y10 students on trips this week to York University for a 'Chemistry at Work' event and to Selby College for a taster day.

Our students really enjoy these experiences and we thank all our parents for encouraging them to make the most of these opportunities.

Left – Students enjoying Chemistry at York University

Our SENDCo, Mr Leatherland and our amazing SEND team have the following message...

Autism Acceptance Week – Monday 27th March to Sunday 2nd April 2023

School are taking part in Autism Acceptance week and are busy arranging activities and events for students. We would like to hold a parental workshop on **Thursday 30th March at 2:00pm**.

The focus of this will be how we help students with autism and communication difficulties in school.

It will also be an opportunity for you to ask any questions that you might have.

The workshop is open to all parents. Your child does not need to have a diagnosis of autism in order for you to attend. You may want to find out more information about autism or want to know how to get an assessment.

If you would like to attend, please let us know by emailing us at sendteam@holyfamilycarlton.org or contact us at school, so that we can make arrangements for the right number of people.

Year 11 Revision Booklet

We have put together a revision booklet to help Year 11 with their preparation for their GCSE examinations. This booklet contains helpful hints and tips for both students and parents, example revision techniques and a suggested revision programme for the Core GCSE subjects. This guide has been shared with all Year 11 students via ClassCharts and a copy is being sent out tonight to Y11 parents/carers.

With one week to go before we finish for our Easter break our school Chaplain, Mrs Ulvaer, also has a few notices for next week...

Holy Week

In our final week of term, there will be KS3 RE lessons dedicated to learning about Holy Week. We will be teaching pupils how to make a palm cross during these lessons. This will be followed by reflections in the chapel on the Stations of the Cross. The reflections will be connected to young people and what "cross" they carry in their everyday lives.

Fundraisers

Years 7 and 8 will be doing a sponsored walk on the last day of term. This will be a whole lesson of pupils who are dedicated to walking to raise money for the Good Shepherd Fund. Years 7 and 8 need to bring in their sponsorship forms and money raised by Wednesday 29th March. Please hand into your form tutors.



Years 9 and 10 have organised bun sales for every Friday of this half term. They have done an amazing job! Thank you to all those who have donated buns and other sweet treats. We have one last bun sale on the last day of term.

Year 11 will be selling raffle tickets for our Easter Hampers. They look fantastic!



Liturgies

On our last day of term, we will be having a KS3 and KS4 Easter Liturgy. This will highlight the most important time in the Church's calendar. Pupils are busy preparing by practicing hymns, readings and forming a procession.

Next week reminders...

Tuesday 28th – 52 Year 10 students are going on a visit to New College, Pontefract

Friday 31st – Non Uniform Day – wear something bright to champion World Autism Acceptance Week! (£1 donations will be collected on Friday morning and money raised will be used for inclusion projects in school, led by our students).

Friday 31st – Finish for the Easter break (we close at the normal time)

Please note that there will be no after school homework club on Friday 31st March.

Remember that the clocks go forward on Sunday. Spring has sprung!

"Spring is the time of plans and projects." — Leo Tolstoy

Have a relaxing weekend,

Mrs D. Mitchell
Headteacher