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Dear Parents and Carers,

News from this week...

Subject Recognition Awards

Well done to this week's award winners.

Music	Laurence M (Y9)	Computing	Max M (Y10)	History	Logan W (Y7)
Art & Design	Joe M (Y10)	French	Amelia J (Y7)	Maths	Shenal R (Y10)
RE	Eleanor Q (Y9)	English	George L (Y10)	Science	Alice S (Y8)
PE	Adrian O (Y10)	Technology	Luke J (Y8)		

Year 10 Maths A-level Taster at Selby College

On Thursday afternoon, fifteen Year 10 students took part in an A level maths taster session at Selby College involving in a team Maths challenge where they had to answer A level problem solving questions. The students were commended for their maths skills and for their enthusiasm and involvement in the challenge. All teams performed brilliantly but overall victory went to Ines, Sam and Emily. Many thanks to Selby College for organising this event.



Trinity Cup



On Thursday, eight students from years nine and ten travelled to Notre Dame Sixth form College in Leeds to participate in the annual Trinity Cup debating competition sponsored by Leeds Trinity University. Students debated topics

including philosophy, science and religion and discussed responsible parenting. One of the judges was Nick Chandley, a leading trainer for philosophy for children who also helped to develop the programme "What's the Big idea?" for the BBC children's channel. Individuals and teams were scored on engagement in the debate, displaying virtues, including and respecting the views of others and quality of arguments. **One of our teams from Holy Family won the Cup which was presented by a member of staff from Leeds Trinity University.** All the students were a credit to the school.



End of Year Assessments

End of year assessments have begun for all year groups. These are really important to assess progress and give the pupils the opportunity to show what they have learnt over the course of the year. For many this will be their first time experiencing an examination hall, so these assessments allow students to practise in a low stakes environment before they have to perform in a formal setting in Year 11. They are also crucial for honing revision techniques and to discover what works best when preparing for assessments.

As parents/carers here's what you can do to help your child:

- Ask them about their assessments and revision. Pupils learn best by explaining to others.
- Encourage them to use the resources provided by their teachers on ClassCharts, the school website and any other teacher recommendations.
- Ensure your child attends school with all their equipment and a refillable water bottle. No other drinks are allowed.
- Remind the pupils they have been preparing for their assessments in school. All that matters is the pupils try their absolute best.

Many thanks for all your help and support.

Reminder dates

Tuesday 29th June- Transition information evening for Year 6 parents 6pm to 7pm

4th July – Transition day for Year 6 pupils

5th July – Online Y9 Parents Evening (Details to make appointments will be emailed next week)

The NEU has announced further industrial action on the 5th and 7th July. We are looking at the classes that will be potentially affected and are aiming to minimise disruption. We will confirm arrangements next week.

GCSE Results Day

School will be open from 9am until 11am on Thursday 24th August for pupils to collect their GCSE results. For any pupils that are unable to attend in person their results will be available to view on their EduLink App from 9:15am. Please ensure you check you have access to your EduLink account prior to the end of term.

Finally this week...



We celebrated Mass today for our students who have made their First Holy Communion and Confirmation this year. Isla C, Neave M, Erin M, Maia B and Charlie M. Many thanks to Father Wilson for saying a special Mass for our students and joining them for lunch.



**“Just as you are blessed with God's love today,
know that our family is blessed by you every day”** Mrs Mitchell

As always, I wish you all a restful and lovely weekend.

Mrs D. Mitchell
Headteacher