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Dear Parents and Carers,

At the end of a very full and vibrant half term at Holy Family, we thank you all for your continued support. Our students continue to fully embody our virtues and we have had a record number of reward points given out over this half term. Well done everyone!

### Year 11 Parent's Evening

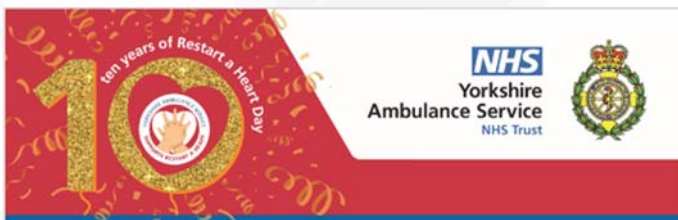
Thanks to everyone who came to the Year 11 parents evening on Thursday to discuss their child's progress with their subject teachers. Mock examinations begin on Monday 4th December and will be spread over two and a half weeks. Further information and a full timetable of these assessments will be shared with students and emailed to parents in November.

### Netball Fixtures Update from Mrs Corrigan...

On Wednesday, our Year 7, 8 and 9 Netball teams had their first fixture this year at home against Snaith. The students involved all played some brilliant netball and were a real credit to the school. The Year 7 team played their first ever game and show real promise, their determination resulted in a 1-0 victory. The Year 8 team played a very tall and competent Snaith team and didn't give up at all but, again played some great netball and showed real sportsmanship. They lost 10-0. The Year 9 team continue to show progress in their game and have started to really play with flair and some serious skill. They played a strong Snaith team and won 9-7. Well done to all the students who played and who turn up every week to practise. An additional thank you to Year 11 students Aimee W, Ruby M and Abbie B for helping to organise and umpire the games for us.



### 'Restart-a-Heart'



On Monday, our Year 7 students took part in the Restart-a-heart day, run by the Yorkshire Ambulance Service. The morning involved students practising performing lifesaving skills of CPR and the placing people into the recovery position. Every student received a certificate acknowledging their newly acquired skills.

### Nature Walk

Students from our new Bridge classroom took part in a nature walk this week where they explored our local ponds. The students collected natural materials and have used these in their lessons to create storyboards and nature pictures. It was great to see our students out of school, experiencing and exploring their local habitat.

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## Black History Month



In 'Personal Development' lessons, students have been learning about the importance of Black History Month, specifically researching and presenting information on Inspirational Black British people. Some outstanding discussions have taken place and superb work has been produced.

After half term...

### Awards Evening

We have our prize presentation evening for last Year's Y11 students on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November. Mrs Neal is organising the event and will be in contact with details and arrangements. It will be a great opportunity to catch up with our wonderful students and celebrate their achievements.

### Y10 Online Parents Evening – Core Subjects

On Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November, parents of Year 10 students will be able to book online appointments to speak to core subject teachers (Maths, English, Science and RE). Later in the year there will be an opportunity to speak to the Y10 option teachers. We will send out booking information after the half term break.

### Eco Committee



Ms Gibert is continuing the work started last year with the eco committee and she requires new members from Year 7 to Year 10. A great club to join if you are passionate about the environment and want to make a difference. See Ms Gibert for details.

### Finally this week...

I wish you a restful half term break and hope that you all have the opportunity to 'slow down'.

### 'There is more to life than increasing its speed' Mahatma Gandhi

We look forward to welcoming everyone back into school on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October.

Mrs D. Mitchell

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