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Dear Parents and Carers,

End of Term Awards

Today we recognised the achievements of our students in an end of term awards assembly. Please see the **additional sheet** for our subject and form award winners.

Our **Virtue Awards** were awarded by the senior leadership team and given to:

Mrs Mitchell (Headteacher Award):

Miss Wilkinson (Dedication Award):

Mr Wadsworth (Resilience Award):

Mr Sweetman (Spirit of Holy Family Award):

Mrs Bainbridge (Love of Learning Award):

Holly B (Year 11)

Jackson C (Year 8)

Leah B (Year 9)

Raphael B (Year 11)

Harvey D (Year 7)



'Farewells' and 'Welcome Back'

We said farewell to a few students who start at their new schools after Easter. All our love and support goes with them and their families. We also said thankyou and farewell to Miss Roach who stepped in to help us in History over the last two terms and Mr Fletcher who has been supporting in our SEND team. We welcome back Mrs Ashworth (History) and Mrs Neal (Technology and Year 11 progress leader) after Easter.

Lent Events and Fundraising: updates

We have lots of food items for the local food banks, many thanks for your generosity.

Our fundraising, Easter raffles and non-uniform day have raised over £240.

We are still continuing our 'Big Lent Walk' over the Easter holiday, staff and students are clocking up the kilometres. If you go on any walks as a family this Easter break please email us your distances to add to our total.

Wellbeing

The wellbeing in mind team will continue with sessions for students after Easter. If you feel that your child would benefit from additional support please let us know.

In addition, we have secured a ten session programme for students from the Skillz2 CIC team who will be developing key skills such as resilience and teamwork. They will work on strategies to deal with change, all while boosting confidence and self-esteem.

For Year 11 we have been signposted to two 'Exam Stress Webinars' on 24/04 and 30/04. See the attached posters for sign up details.

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Date reminders

Year 11 Easter revision: Monday 14th to Wednesday 16th April (10 till 2, 10 till 1 on Wed)

Return to school: Tuesday 22nd April

GCSE Art Exams: 10 hour practical will take place between 28th April and 2nd May

Year 7 Parents Evening: Thursday 1st May (details will be sent the week before)

May Day Bank Holiday: School is closed on Monday 5th May

GCSE PE Moderation Day: Wednesday 7th May

GCSE Written Exams start: Monday 12th May

Finally this week...

At the start of our assembly this morning we reflected on the upcoming Holy Week and the significant events we reflect on during Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday. This is known as the Triduum in our Catholic liturgical calendar.

For anyone wanting to celebrate the Sacred Triduum, check your local parish bulletins for liturgy times during Holy Week.



'The great gift of Easter is hope.' Basil Hume

Thanks again for all your support for our staff and students over the last term. Next term we will let you know our plans for our final events in this wonderful school. Together we will celebrate the legacy of Holy Family and all it has meant to so many people. In school it will be business as usual as we support Year 11 through their exams and continue our curriculum and care for all the other students in school.

Enjoy the Easter break (two weeks and one day!), God bless you all.

Mrs D. Mitchell
Headteacher