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Dear Parents and Carers,

Subject Awards – Another great week, well done to our award winners in each subject.

| Subject | Awards this week go to... | |
|-------------|---------------------------|------------------------------------|
| English | Evelyn M (Y7) | Laurence M (Y11) |
| Mathematics | Jackson C (Y8) | Sam B (Y11) |
| PE | Luca S (Y11) | Breffni S (Y11) |
| Computing | Jacob G (Y8) | Raphael B (Y11) |
| Geography | George W (Y7) | Luca S (Y11) |
| French | Elias S (Y7) | Eleanor Q (Y11) |
| RE | Zach F (Y8) | Nadhav R (Y8) |
| History | Ruby W (Y8) | Isaiah B (Y11) |
| Art | Leah B (Y9) | Ebony S (Y11) |
| Music | Lilly-Jo R (Y11) | Eleanor Q (Y11) |
| Science | Ava E (Y7) | Millie W (Y10) Abdullah I (Y11) |

This week...

Y11 – PE practicals

Our Year 11 PE students have completed their moderated practicals this week. We sincerely thank The Read School staff and students who came across to take part in matches and support us. Our students worked really hard on the day to showcase their skills. They have also recorded evidence which we have submitted to the exam board.

Victory in Europe Day - 80 Year anniversary



On Thursday we started our day with a poignant assembly to reflect on the meaning of the day. We listened to clips of people who were there in 1945 and paid our respects to the people who died during the conflict. At 12 noon all staff and students observed the two minutes silence.



"God bless you all. This is your victory! It is the victory of the cause of freedom in every land." Sir Winston Churchill

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Y11 Liturgy and wellbeing support

This morning, our liturgy for our Year 11 students focused on how much they are loved. We assured them that everyone in our community is with them as they begin their GCSEs and we said prayers for them and everyone who is supporting them.

Following the liturgy students were offered the opportunity to speak to Beth from the Wellbeing in Mind team who gave further guidance and support.

The first written exam is English Literature Paper 1 on Monday morning. Good luck to all our amazing Y11 students, you can do it!



This year 12th - 18th May is Mental Health Awareness week

Mental Health Awareness Week is an annual event in the UK dedicated to raising awareness of mental health and promoting mental wellbeing for all. The week provides an opportunity to reflect on mental health, spark conversations, and support those experiencing mental health challenges. Each year, a specific theme is chosen to focus attention on aspects of mental health. This year the theme is community. Community is an ideal theme for Mental Health Awareness Week as we know that community and connections are vital for mental health and wellbeing. In our Holy Family community, we will be raising awareness of mental health and sharing strategies for wellbeing through our collective worship and assemblies next week. You can find out more about Mental health week by following these links:

[Mental Health Awareness Week 2025 - Mind](#)
[Mental Health Foundation | Everyone deserves good mental health](#)

Finally this week...

Habemus papam! We have a new pope!

Cardinal Robert Prevost has been chosen as the next Pope. Taking the name Leo, he will lead the Church as Pope Leo XIV.

All our prayers and best wishes are with him as he continues Pope Francis' legacy of love, justice and compassion.

Our community is one of love and compassion and we thank everyone for their care and support for our young people. Having a connection to each other is vital for our mental health. If you need any further support for you or your child please do not hesitate to contact us, we will do everything we can to help.

I hope you all have a peaceful and restful weekend,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'D. Mitchell'.

Mrs D. Mitchell
Headteacher