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Dear Parents and Carers,

List of Key Dates:

Thursday 10th July – Yorkshire Wildlife Park trip (Students who are not going on the trip will have activities in school).

Saturday 12th July – 'Celebrating the History of Holy Family' event. **You need to sign up (see previous flyer) by 30th June to be able to attend.**

Wednesday 16th July – School closes to students, normal finish of 3pm. Normal school uniform on this day, 'Family Mass' at 11.30am. We will send out invitations to the Mass next week.

Homework Club

Homework club is open after school till 4pm. This is now located in the Hub where students have access to computers and a printer.

Year 11 Prom – Carlton Towers

We had an amazing evening and it was a very special celebration for our Year 11 students. We thank our staff and the Carlton Towers staff for helping us to make this such a lovely and memorable event.

It was great to see all our families, friends, staff and ex-staff come together to celebrate this fantastic year group. Our students and staff voted for some special awards during the evening:

Most Caring: Phoebe R Most Kind: Weronika M

Most Wise: Laurence M Most Charitable: Raph B

Most Resilient: Luca S Most Composed: Dani T

Most Likely to be a Millionaire: Owen B

Most Likely to be Prime Minister: Eleanor Q

Most likely to be famous: Safiye K (thanks to Enya M for stepping in to collect this!)

Student of the Year 2025: Freddie C

Prom King: Harvey B

Prom Queen: Breffni S

We have sent the code to Year 11 parents for access to the official photographer's pictures. We will display our 'unofficial' photographs (and videos of dancing!) on results day!



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Trips to the Skylark Centre – from Mrs Howard

Wildlife, Walkie Talkies & Wet Socks – Two Days of Nature-Filled Fun!

This week, our lucky students swapped classrooms for canopies and took part in two brilliant days of fresh air, muddy boots, and big outdoor smiles at the local nature reserve.

Tuesday's trailblazers kicked off with our "Rubbish Quiz" – where the only thing rubbish about it was the name! Students tested their knowledge on all things "reduce, re-use and recycle" before calming things down with some peaceful nature connection activities. Cue the tree hugging (yes, really – it's a proven happy hormone booster!), some rather stunning nature art, and a mindful woodland walk, complete with wildlife-spotting and top-secret deer alerts via walkie talkie. Attenborough would be proud.

Wednesday's adventurers arrived ready to rumble and took on a range of team challenges including 'Crossing the Swamp' and 'Toxic Waste' – don't worry, no actual toxic waste involved, just a lot of laughter and very wobbly balancing on a slackline.

Surprisingly, on their woodland walk, the quieter they were, they spotted more wildlife!

The afternoon brought shelter building, with a few brave volunteers willingly testing how waterproof their creations really were... Safe to say, we definitely needed a campfire to dry off. Luckily, soggy socks were soon forgotten as s'mores (gooey marshmallows + chocolate biscuits = happiness) made a very popular appearance.

A huge well done to all the students for their teamwork, enthusiasm, and muddy adventures. We hope it's inspired them to keep exploring the wild world around them – even if it's just the back garden for now.

Here's to more campfires, critters, and curious minds!

Thank you to all the staff who supported, who themselves got a little competitive and who loved a little tree hugging.

Finally this week...

'Trees' have featured in lots of conversations this week, from our Skylark 'tree hugging' to a very kind dedication of a Woodland Trust tree, which will be planted as a thank you to the school from a family in our community. This reminds us of the power of nature to heal us and how lucky we are to be able to access woodland walks and activities.

Hope you all have a happy and mindful weekend (maybe with some tree hugging!)

"He who plants a tree, plants a hope." - Lucy Larcom



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