



# Painsley Catholic College

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Dear Parents/Carers

After 6 weeks in College I would like to thank and congratulate our students on their excellent attitude and commitment to learning.

It is fantastic to learn about our Year 13 students sending off their UCAS applications and receiving offers from their chosen universities for the next stage in their learning journey.

It has been timely for Years 7-11 to embark on their first assessment of this academic year. After our time of remote learning last year it is crucial to fully grasp where the students are in their journey so we can adapt the teaching and learning to respond accordingly.

Please be aware that at this current time we are not able to invite you to the Year 9 curriculum evening. Please be assured that we will host this evening at a more appropriate time.

Equally, we are not able to host the celebration evening for last year's Year 11. Once again we will be in touch with Year 11 and indeed Year 13 to make arrangements for them to return to receive their certificate and as promised, to celebrate with them.

Thank you for all the contributions to our harvest festival. As I am sure you can appreciate these goods will be well received through the foodbank. Indeed, student collected over 140 bag for those in greatest need. Students reflected on the parable of the tenants, considering how God has provided us the world but we as stewards have a duty to share and care for the gift of the world.

As you know, Year 7 have not been able to celebrate the Mass of welcome in the usual way but we are very grateful to Fr. Eric for celebrating Mass with each of our Year 7 teaching groups over the next few weeks. 7V5 were the first group to celebrate Mass together and it is wonderful to reflect on their comments regarding their time together.

'During Mass I felt very blessed and felt part of the Painsley community. I am looking forward to our next mass in the chapel.'

'Today we had Mass with Fr. Eric he made me feel like I am part of the Painsley community.'

'I enjoyed most the blessing from Fr. Eric and how he welcomed us to Painsley. I liked how we said lots of prayers together.'

'Mass was in our college chapel and I really enjoyed it because I felt like I'm part of this family. We said prayers together and we should always remember Jesus.'

'Mass made me feel really happy today, it was so calm and peaceful.'



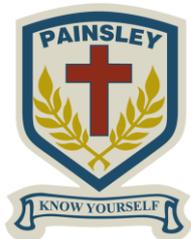
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It is marvellous to see the Emmaus groups working together to consider their work for Mary's Meals and I thank Mr Reed for representing Painsley in the 'Miles for Mary' cycle ride from St Mary's in Leek to St Joseph's in Uttoxeter, stopping at all the schools in the Painsley MAC. If you would like to support Mr Reed and Painsley, please follow the Just Giving link: <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/painsleymilesformary>



On Thursday students took part in Pastoral/Citizenship considering the following topics. It was pertinent just how thoughtful our students are in these moral and ethical discussions.

- Year 7 Laws surrounding
- Year 8 Knife crime and gangs – making positive choices
- Year 9 Managing risks and knife crime
- Year 10 Gang culture and positive/negative role models
- Year 11 First Aid techniques, healthy relationships and unhealthy relationships
- Years 12 & 13 Safeguarding and wellbeing presentations and tasks

In the Gospel on Sunday we will hear the parable of an invitation to the wedding feast (Matthew 22: 1-10). It is a reminder to us that God's call is an invitation to all of us and yet so few respond. We are truly blessed by being called and responding to God's invitation to follow him.

God bless

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