



Painsley Catholic College

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Dear Parent/Carer

Welcome back to the summer term and hopefully one where we can work towards catching up for lost learning time and look forward to a greater sense of normality. I thank the students for a great start to the term, students ready to learn and engage with staff.

I am delighted to share the news that Painsley has been selected as one of only 22 behaviour hubs nationally. As a behaviour hub we will be working alongside other schools to help them to implement effective behaviours for learning, this enabling teachers to teach and young people to flourish. As part of the programme, Painsley will host a number of open days for colleagues to see how Painsley operates on a daily basis.

As we prepare for teacher assessed grades for Year 11 and 13 this academic year, staff and students are working very hard to ensure we have the evidence of students' knowledge, understanding and skills in all subject areas. I will continue to inform Year 11 and 13 parents at important points along the journey. By the beginning of next week all Year 11 and 13 will have received a programme of high control assessed work taking place during this half-term.

We look forward to being able to share plans for our Year 6 into Year 7 and Year 11 into Year 12 transition programmes over the coming weeks and plans for summer term events and activities that may be able to continue, even if in a different format.

Year 9 students will shortly be receiving their full reports and Year 10 will follow in the coming weeks. Year 9 parents' evening will take place on Thursday 6th May. Year 9 parents will be informed of joining instruction in a separate communication.

In communications from the Department for Education this week the Prime Minister has said, 'I want to thank everybody for continuing to follow the guidance, and to thank parents and families for the incredible work you're doing to help test pupils throughout the Easter holidays and to encourage you to keep testing them twice a week as schools return'. It is vital that staff and students continue to test twice weekly in order to identify asymptomatic cases of coronavirus and prevent the spread of the virus. Please continue to report your results to test and trace and from the link on our website.

In the gospel on Sunday (John 10:11-18) we hear Jesus describing himself as the Good Shepherd. A shepherd cares for his flock in a way a hired assistant does not. It is not an easy task to shepherd sheep, they are renowned for being contradictory creatures, always straying off in the wrong direction, getting themselves in to tangles and difficulties. As we journey through our new term together we ask the Good Shepherd to guide us, watch over us and help us on the right path together.

God bless

Mrs Waugh
Principal



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