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Dear Parent/ Carer

At the end of our first full week of term I must pay tribute to the staff and students for settling so quickly into the rhythm and routines of college life.

Year 7 have settled very quickly and I am already hearing amazing things about their commitment and attitude to college life. Years 8-11 have adjusted admirably to yet another set of expectations. It is a privilege to see our Year 12 and 13 students walking across the site and being such a mature and respected presence for all of the students.

As we have now completed our testing programme in college I ask that all staff and students continue to test twice weekly at home, recording results with NHS test and trace and on the Google form linked from our website. As a reminder, all students must be wearing a face mask on college transport and students are strongly encouraged to wear a face mask in communal areas around the college, especially in corridors.

On Thursday we celebrated the Year 7 Mass of Welcome. Fr Eric Kemball (college chaplain) and Mrs Sowter supported the students in preparing to celebrate our first Mass together. Although we were not able to invite parents on this occasion, please be aware you were all in our thoughts and prayer, as we marked the start of the students' faith journey here at Painsley.

On Tuesday evening I met (virtually) with a number of parents from Year 11 and Year 7 to reaffirm our values and expectations. Please find below the times and dates for the Year 8, 9 and 10 briefings should you wish to sign up.

Year 8 Tuesday 21st September, 5pm
Year 9 Tuesday 21st September, 5.30pm
Year 10 Wednesday 22nd September, 5pm

[Click here to sign up.](#)

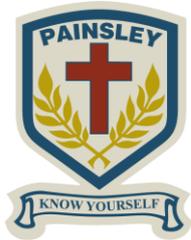
The presentations will be available to all parents on the website following the final briefing. It is incredibly important that after such a long period without face to face contact with parents that we are able to share with you the values and expectations of the college so that we can work in partnership for the benefit of the students.

On Friday, Year 9 Art students visited the Peak Wildlife park. Once again it is wonderful to be able to bring the curriculum to life.

As part of the new Values and Expectations Policy (behaviour policy) we have set up an email address for you to keep us informed of achievements outside of school. Please do send in details and photographs (if you give permission for their use on social media) so that we can share the students' achievements across the college. The email address is: achievements@painsley.staffs.sch.uk



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As part of the Pastoral and citizenship curriculum for Year 10, Mrs Rhodes has organised for Painsley Catholic Academy to hold our own 'race for life' event at Painsley. It is a sad fact that cancer affects so many of our community and current statistic show that 1 in every 2 people will be diagnosed within their lifetime. Cancer Research UK use charity funding to support research that is helping to improve survival rates. We hope our school community can work together to support this cause.

This event will take place after school on Monday 20th September beginning at 4.30pm. All Y7 – 13 students are invited to part, students can inform their Emmaus tutor that they wish to take part and sponsor forms can be collect from their tutor or reception or Mrs Rhodes

Students and staff do not need to run the 5km, they can walk, jog, wear fancy dress or any other method they choose as long as they take part and help to raise money for cancer research. All students taking part will receive an official Race for Life 2021 medal. Students who are not taking part can help by sharing our fundraising page. Our target is to raise £8000 and there will be prize for the students who raise the most, these are being kindly donated by the Cancer Research shop in Stone.

The fundraising page for the event is: <https://fundraise.cancerresearchuk.org/page/painsley-catholic-college>

Please do support our students in this important event. Any sponsorship can be paid directly into this fundraising page.

In the gospel on Sunday (Mark 8 27:35) we hear of Peter's declaration of faith. In response, Jesus talks of his suffering and death. He states that anyone who is his disciple is to 'renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me.' It is a reminder to us all that the road of faith is not an easy one but has challenges and obstacles, however as a faith community we can unite together to gain strength in our mission to 'value and respect every person as a child of God as we grow together in faith, knowledge and understanding and love to serve the community'.

God Bless

Mrs Waugh

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