

Painsley Catholic College

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Dear Parent/ Carer

In our second full week back we can already sense a change in the weather with colder mornings and more inclement weather. I encourage students to bring outside coats to wear on the way to school, at break time and lunch time and at the end of the day, as well as when moving between sites. Students are not permitted to wear outdoor coats in the building. Over the coming weeks there will be an amnesty for all locker keys (Year 9,10,11) in order that lockers can be re-allocated in accordance with the school site. Students who have a locker key should clear out their locker and drop it into the box at student enquiries as soon as possible.

On Tuesday we celebrated feeder school retreat day. It was wonderful to see and meet our potential students and for the students from the MAC primary schools to get to know each other. The day concluded with a beautiful celebration of the Eucharist. The day was in advance of our Open Evening which was held virtually on Wednesday evening. I thank the leadership group and senior student leaders for providing an insight into our college for future students.

Year 7 and 9 students have had school photographs taken and several science groups gained an insight into optometry on Friday as part of our aim to expose student to the greatest and the good.

As a reminder, all students should bring a face mask to school and students are strongly encouraged to wear them in communal areas. Any student on school transport must wear a face mask. As the weather turns it is crucial that we are all work together to ensure we do all we can to keep our community safe. As a reminder, all staff and students should be testing twice weekly, recording the results with NHS test and trace and on the link on our school website. Please ensure that if your son/daughter is waiting for PCR results or indeed has received results, you keep us informed.

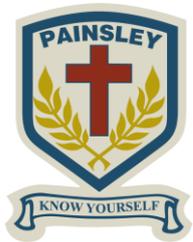
Next week, Year 7 will be taking part in a Crazy Careers activity. A group of students will represent the school at the Dr Johnson memorial celebration in Uttoxeter. A significant number of staff and students will be taking part in our Race for Life and students will be marking the Macmillan Coffee Morning.

On Tuesday 21st September, Year 8 (5pm) and Year 9 (5.30pm) parents are welcome to join our Values and Expectations briefing. Year 10 parents have the same opportunity on Wednesday 22nd September at 5pm. To join these virtual evens please sign up by [clicking this link](#).

Year 11 parents will have received information regarding the Year 11 Parents' Evening on Thursday 23rd September from 5-7pm. It is absolutely crucial that all Year 11 parents join us via School Cloud. It is such an important stage in your son/daughter's educational development that we must work in partnership to ensure that most favourable outcomes.



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Year 11 will have their initial introductions to the Sixth Form in advance of the Sixth Form Virtual Open Evening on 29th September at 6.30pm when parents and students can learn more about the Sixth Form, gather subject information and book on tours. Year 11 should sign up for the virtual event by [clicking this link](#).

Early next week assessment timetables will be emailed home for our first assessment period commencing 4th October 2021.

On Sunday, we hear the second prophecy of the passion (Mark 9: 30-37). In this gospel Jesus makes the point, 'If anyone wants to be first, he must make himself last of all and servant of all'. In our college we are blessed with examples of students and staff who demonstrate humility and compassion for others on a daily basis.

God Bless

Mrs Waugh
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