

# Painsley Catholic College

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Dear Parent/ Carer

I must congratulate Year 11 on their approach to mock exams this week and indeed to the students in Years 7, 8, 9 and 10 as they have started their first round of assessments. It is crucial for us as teachers to fully comprehend the knowledge and understanding shared by the students so that we can tailor our teaching and learning to the most effective outcomes.

I would also like to thank our Head boy and Head girl for attending the Mayor's civic reception last Sunday. I know their presence was greatly appreciated and how well they represented the Painsley family.



In pastoral/citizenship on Thursday, students studied a variety of themes including; Year 7 knife crime and fire safety, Year 8/9 had a presentation on the impact of knife crime. Alison Cope lost her son due to knife crime and has since been delivering sessions across the county to try to prevent this happening to other young people. Year 10 looked at positive role models and the impact of gangs and gang culture. Year 11 focussed on healthy relationships and first aid skills, and finally, Year 12/13 looked at sexual violence and harassment in addition to progress meetings with tutors.

As a reminder student are not allowed to wear hoodies/ sweatshirts under their blazers. Students are of course welcome to wear a coat over their blazer but this does have to be removed and carried as they move throughout the building. As previously stated, we hope to have lockers re-allocated by half-term. If there are any students who still have a locker key or indeed items left in lockers, these must be removed by Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> October.

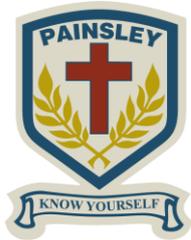
In anticipation of the new uniform suppliers ordering of stock, we propose that the candy-striped shirt worn by girls in Year 7, 8 and 9 is replaced with a white shirt. Before the pandemic, we did run a uniform consultation and it was a request from some parents at that time due to cost and the availability of short sleeved shirts. If any parent would like to offer any thoughts on the girls' shirts moving to a white shirt, please record them on this [Google form](#) by Friday 15<sup>th</sup> October. Please note that the consultation is regarding girls' shirts only. There are no proposed changes to any other aspects of the college uniform.



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It gives me great pleasure to share with you some very exciting developments in our catering facilities at Painsley Catholic College and Sixth Form. From 25<sup>th</sup> October 2021, City Catering will be providing the catering on our sites. All the same staff will remain whom your children know and who know your children, therefore you can be confident that any specialist diets will still be catered for.

However, there will be some significant changes:

- Meal deal price will reduce to £2.50
- Wider selection of meals, snacks and drinks available
- The menu on our website and on display boards daily over each counter
- All sandwiches will be bought in to ensure compliance with new labelling guidance
- 3 Frutina machines, plus one at sixth form for students to buy iced fruit juice
- Meals served on crockery and sixth form students will have mugs for their drinks
- Jacket potato machines, Love Joe's Curry and wraps and Pasta King will be available
- Access to a qualified nutritionist to ensure compliance of meals and advice for specialist diets
- Fresh meat, vegetables and fruit

As City Catering embed the new provision, students will still be required to pay for their meals with cash, however we will move to a cashless system in the near future. Information will be sent out about this when we have more details. As I'm sure you will agree, this is a very exciting development and one which we believe will enhance the provision in our school and sixth form, ensuring students have access to a healthy diet that meets statutory food standards, whilst also catering for specialist diets.

In the gospel on Sunday we hear of the Rich Man's Question (Mark 10: 17-30). It reminds us to consider our generosity and whether we are generous with what we have.

I hope you all have a blessed weekend.

*R.A. Waugh*

God Bless

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