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Dear Parent/Carer

I have to congratulate Year 11 and 13 on their maturity and commitment over the last 6 weeks. They have approached the GCSE, BTEC, A Level and T Level examinations with such grace and determination. I know the whole school community wishes them well as they enjoy some well-deserved rest over the next few weeks.

On Thursday it was lovely to celebrate with Year 11. Following their final examination, we shared some memories and staff shared their messages with the students. We shared a brunch together before celebrating Mass, ending our time together as we started back in September 2017.

It has been great to see Year 10 students 'step-up' this week in their approach to mock examinations. Indeed, all students are currently being assessed on their progress this year which will enable staff and students alike to plan for the year ahead. Year 12 were also looking ahead by attending a UCAS exhibition in advance of their higher education and work experience week in the not too distant future.

Looking back to the end of last week, it was lovely to hear how much Year 7 had enjoyed their time at Warwick Castle. I share one of the reflections with you;

*The history Field trip to Warwick Castle was very good! Although it was far away, we had a great time and learnt lots about Medieval clothes, food, and weapons. We went in the dungeons before lunch, and I found them scary but everyone enjoyed it, especially when the actors jump scared us in the corridors.*
*After we had lunch, there was a bird show where huge eagles and owls came swooping down to our heads. It rained a little whilst the bird show was on, but not enough to get us inside! There were also wild peacocks that roamed the grounds freely which added to the atmosphere of the castle. The tour of the inside of the castle was brilliant as they had decorated the rooms exactly like they used to - there were even model people in the rooms, like maids and butlers. The attention to detail made it very realistic.*
*It was a very good day. I really enjoyed it, I hope that other years will get to go on this trip in the future. Thank you to all of the Painsley staff who helped us to go on this trip!*

In the week ahead, The Year 11 silver D of E expedition takes place, Mr Reed will be representing Painsley on the MAC cycle ride for St Chad's sanctuary, we will be marking the feast of St Peter and Paul and we will celebrate the Year 11 prom at Uttoxeter Racecourse.

In the gospel on Sunday (Luke 9: 51-62), we are reminded of what it means to be a disciple, an uncompromising one at that. It leaves us with a question – where does following Jesus currently fit into our list of priorities? What are we prepared to do for Christ?

God Bless

Mrs Waugh


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