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Dear Parent/Carer

This half-term, our Gospel values are justice and truth and our Catholic social teaching is stewardship. In our virtual acts of worship this week, students have reflected on the messages of Pope Francis contained in 'Laudate Si'. If we are to speak and act with truth and justice, then we should all be stewards for our world, God's creation and gift to us.

It has been wonderful to hear about the wonderful work our staff and young people did as part of the Diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes:

"Dear Mrs Waugh
I am writing to you in order to commend the school staff and students who were on the pilgrimage to Lourdes this year. It was such a blessing to be able to share meals and faith with such polite, articulate and helpful students. The Painsley students played a huge part in the success of this pilgrimage. They served the sick and disabled in the hospital, led prayer services and made a huge impression on all the pilgrims during the opening service with their inspirational introduction to the Mass celebrating Pentecost." Fellow pilgrim

"Dear Mrs Waugh,
We write to commend you on the group of students and staff from Painsley Catholic College who travelled on this year's diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes, during May half-term. Led by your staff, Mrs Sowter, Mrs Harris and Miss Hickey, this group of young people are an absolute credit to your school community. Throughout their pilgrimage week, they all demonstrated, whilst working in their roles as Handmaids and Brancardiers alongside our sick pilgrims, an outpouring of love and care which was a joy to witness. Away from their duties, their whole attitude towards the pilgrimage and their participation in it was wonderful.

We thank you for encouraging your school to return to Lourdes on this year's pilgrimage and also for the encouragement and support of those from your school community who wish to do so in the future.
With every best wish for the remainder of the school year." Sarah Hickman - Chief Handmaid and Kevin Boyle - Chief Brancardier

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Thank you to the staff and students for demonstrating The Painsley Way to our fellow pilgrims across the diocese.

This week, Year 7 have visited Warwick Castle as part of their history curriculum and Year 10 have taken part in their Dream Job careers event. We look forward to celebrating with Year 11 on Thursday next week (after the physics revision), as we reflect on our time together, share in a brunch and celebrate our Mass of thanksgiving.

In the gospel on Sunday (John 6:51-58), Jesus describes himself as the true bread of life. It reminds us how precious it is to receive Christ in the Eucharist.

With every blessing for the half-term ahead.

R. A. Waugh

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