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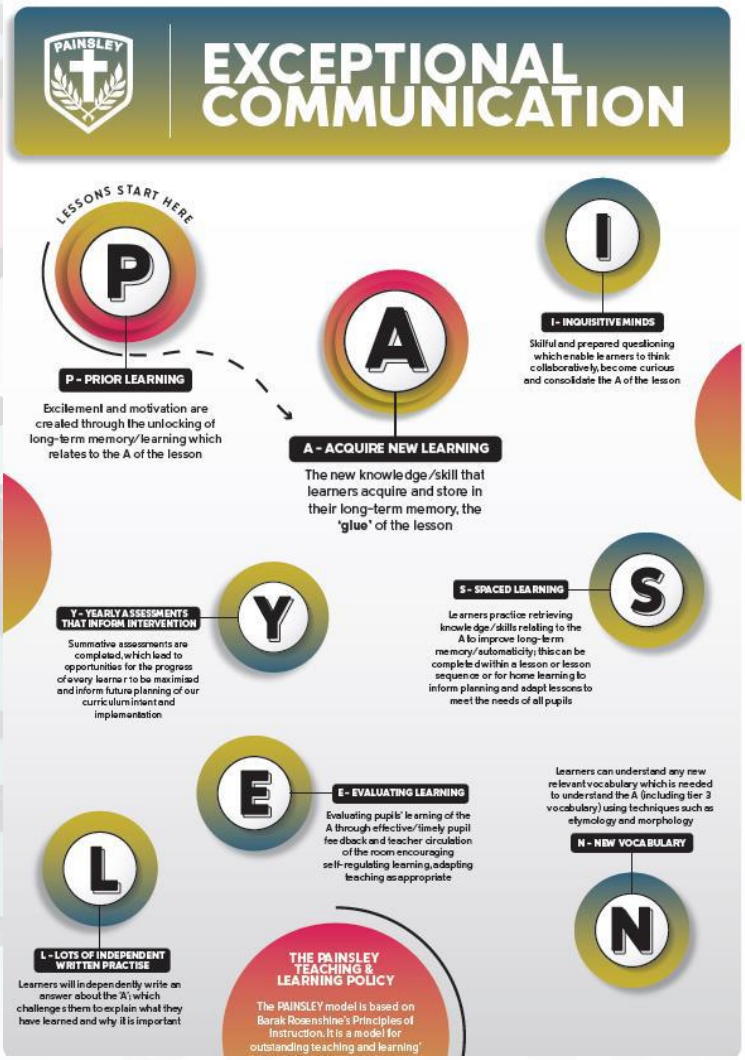
Friday, 6th October 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

A shortened, but nonetheless busy week in college this week. On Wednesday, our INSET day was focused on developing our teaching and learning further through coaching for the benefit of the students. Indeed, our lessons at Painsley are based on the best educational research and our teaching and learning follow research-driven best practice.



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Thank you to all the students who contributed to the harvest gifts on Friday. It was amazing to see such a generous offering that was shared by the students with our local parishes and also with the food bank in Cheadle. Students all participated in talks from Mr Worrall, representing CAFOD.

Throughout the month of October, Year 7 will take part in a chaplaincy session exploring the rosary. Year 11 went to St Giles' to celebrate their feast day Mass, the Feast of the Guardian Angels.

It has been the first of our assessment weeks for Years 7-11 and I have to say how impressed I am with Year 11 in their approach to the mock examinations, and indeed all the year groups for their preparation and efforts.

I encourage all the students to reflect on their achievements. Since the start of term and up to and including Wednesday, 4th October, there has been a staggering **33,488** achievement points awarded across the college; 14,476 have been for excellent effort. Well done to all! It is great to see some individual students beginning to reach their first thresholds. As a reminder, these include:

Conduct Point Threshold	Praise Recognition	Notes
100	Emmaus Tutor Praise Postcard Lunch Time queue jump pass	Commendation letters will be posted home to parents. *Hot Chocolate vouchers are redeemable on the final Friday of each half-term. For appropriate arrangements to be made, the final date for the Principal's celebratory breakfast will be the Friday prior to the end of term.
200	Pastoral Lead Praise Postcard Toast/oatcake voucher	
350	Leadership Pastoral Lead Praise Postcard Hot chocolate and cake voucher	
500	A letter of commendation from the Principal Invitation to a celebratory Principal's breakfast Entry into an end of year raffle to win a prize	
750	A letter of commendation from the CEO £10 shopping voucher Values and Expectations Pupil Leader Badge	

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Top 25% of Pupils	An invite to attend a special end of year reward trip	The top 25% of pupils in each year group who receive the highest number of conduct points and are on by the final Friday in May.

Today, students explored the importance of e-safety during their Pastoral and Citizenship lessons. They focused on staying vigilant online and ensuring that they stay safe in all aspects of what they do, looking specifically at phishing, social media, online gaming and their digital footprint.

In the week ahead, we have a number of sports fixtures and we wish the students participating well. It is also the annual combined schools' Mass on Thursday, 12th October at 6pm at St Gregory's in Longton.

In the gospel on Sunday, we hear the parable of the tenants in the vineyard (Matthew 21: 33-43). In the parable, we are reminded that God's ways are not our ways. Life may not be mapped out how we think, so we need to watch out for the bend in the road.

God Bless

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Mrs Waugh

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