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Dear Parent/Carer

As we say farewell to Year 11 and Year 13 over the next few days and weeks, we begin to welcome our students preparing to join Painsley in September, either in Year 7 or indeed Year 12. We are busy beginning our work in preparation for September and we are putting the final touches to the cultural capital week during the penultimate week of the academic year. We will be sending information over the next few days.

This week, we held our Year 11 celebration morning. Year 11 shared in memories of the last five years, shared a brunch together and celebrated their Mass of thanksgiving. It was lovely to look at college photographs from Year 7, 9 and 11. Whilst some of them have changed, others look just as they did when they joined us in September 2019! We encouraged Year 11 to live by The Painsley Way as they move onto the next step in their journey, whether that be at our sixth form, another provider or an apprenticeship.

Our Year 8 footballers played in the District cup final on Monday at Stafford Town football club. The boys played really well but unfortunately lost 4-2 to Excel Academy. The team have won the County Cup and league this season so they should be proud of all their achievements.

Year 9 took part in their Bright Futures morning. This was a crucial time for Year 9 to consider their future pathways. Year 12 went to the UCAS exhibition at Staffordshire University to consider the options open to them. Year 12 biology students completed fieldwork in North Wales. It is so important to receive those first-hand experiences.

In the week ahead, we welcome our incoming Year 6 students from non-feeder primary schools to begin our transition programme, Year 7 will visit Dovedale as part of the geography field studies, the Lourdes group will reflect and give thanks for their time on pilgrimage together, Year 12 economics students will take part in the management team games at Keele University and Year 8 will have chance to go to the Big Bang fair.

Please see below a charity walk taking place at Painsley on Monday, 24th June in thanksgiving for Will Simpson and in memory of Mrs Roberts. It would be wonderful if as many members of the Painsley family could take part as possible. Sponsorship forms are available in school for any students wanting to take part.

In the gospel this weekend (Mark 4:24-36), Jesus shares the parable of the mustard seed, recognising that faith begins small but can grow into the largest tree, which can do so much good.

God Bless

Mrs Waugh

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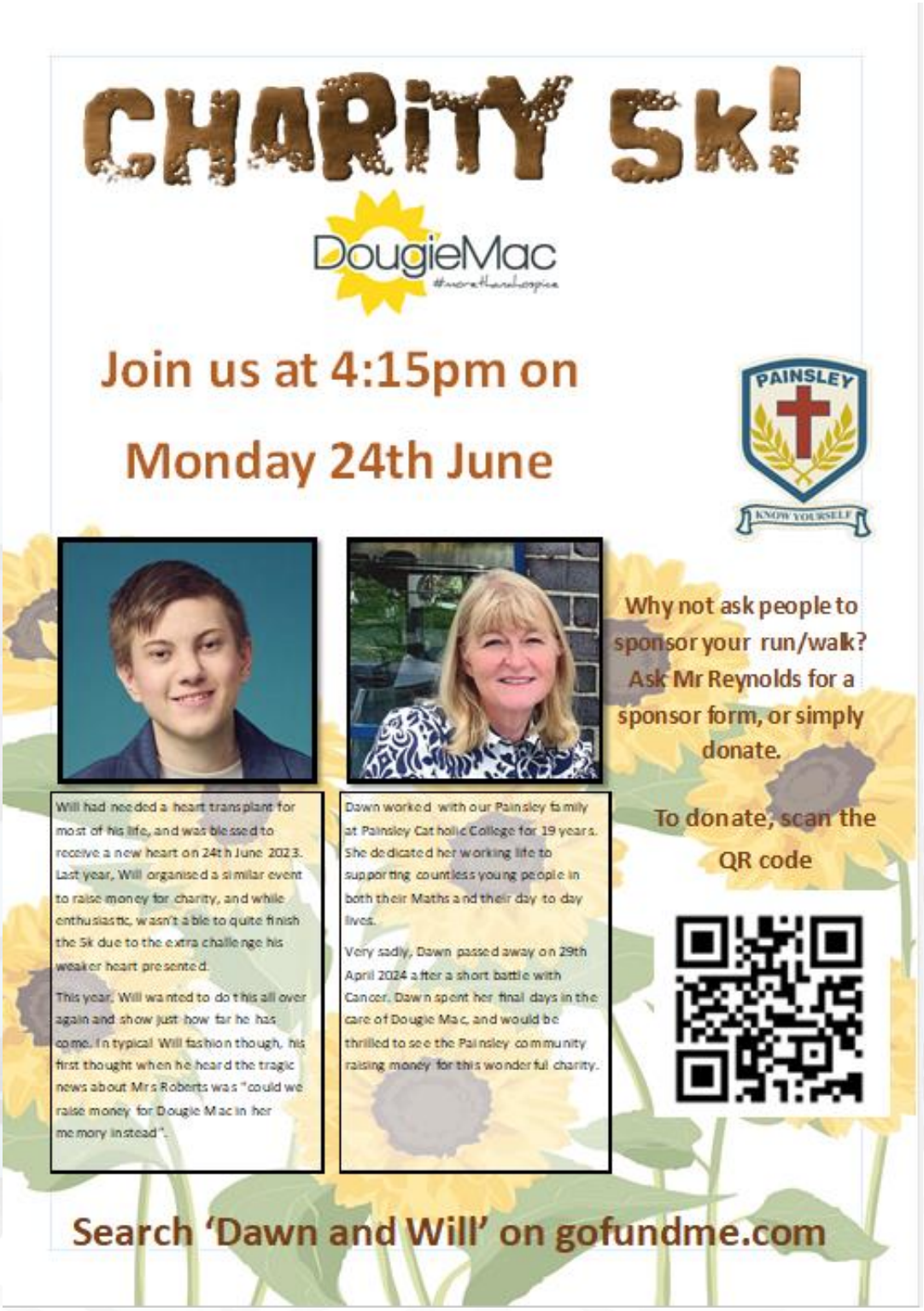

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