Painsley Catholic College

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Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been a wonderful start to the academic year. On the back of exceptional results awarded to our students in the summer in both Year 11 and Year 13, on the admission of 230 Year 7 students, who have settled in exceptionally well and 130 students, who have joined us in the sixth form and engaged in numerous induction activities, we had a marvellous feeder school retreat day and college Open Evening this week. It is amazing to see our college thriving and the students flourishing as a result!

I am delighted to share with you more details of our Mission Week, which we are looking forward to taking place from Monday, 15th – Friday, 19th September 2025.

A mission week is a special opportunity for the whole school community to reflect on its values, celebrate its identity and renew its mission. Ours will mark the beginning of our celebrations of the 60th anniversary of Painsley Catholic College. The anniversary will be celebrated throughout the year and especially during our Whole College Mass in June 2026. During the Mission Week, we will deepen our ongoing mission and ethos.

During the week, every year group will participate in Mission Week in different ways, as set out below. Every year group will lead fundraising activities on one day during the week and students are invited to bring cash to school to participate in these, with all money raised going to Fr Hudson's Caritas. Students are invited to attend in non-uniform on their year group fundraising day for a donation of £2, which will also go to Fr Hudson's Caritas. All monies will be collected in cash on the relevant day (Monday Year 7 only, Tuesday Year 8 only, Wednesday Year 9 only, Thursday Year 10 only and Friday Year 11 only). As a reminder, on non-uniform day all other hair, jewellery and make-up rules apply and clothing should be appropriate for a learning and prayerful environment.

Monday – *Welcome to our whole college mission week for every year group led by the RISE team and senior chaplaincy leaders (P1 – Year 7, P2 – Year 8, P3 – Year 9, P4 – Year 10, P5 – Year 11. Sixth form choose to join a year group).*

Lunchtime – Year 7 Fr Hudson's fundraising activities and non-uniform day.

Tuesday *- Year 7 – The Happiness Show part 1 (P1 – Hall, P2 – Classroom), Year 8 – The Happiness Show part 1 (P2-Hall, P3-Classroom), Year 9 – The Room (P3 – Hall, P4 – Classroom), Year 10 – The Room (P4 – Hall, P5 – Classroom).*

Lunchtime – Year 8 Fr Hudson's fundraiser and non-uniform day. Year 11 Adoration/Reconciliation/Time with the RISE team.

Wednesday – *Year 9 – The Room part 2 (P4 – Hall, P5 – Classroom), Year 10 The Room part 2 (P3 – Hall, P4 – Classroom), Year 11 and Sixth Form Masterpiece part 1(P1 – Hall, P2 – Classroom).*

Lunchtime – Year 7 and 8 Adoration/Reconciliation/Time with the RISE team. Year 9 Fr Hudson's fundraising and non-uniform day.

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Thursday – *Year 7 – The Happiness Show part 2 (P1 – Hall, P2 – Classroom), Year 8 – The Happiness Show part 2 (P2-Hall, P3-Classroom), Year 11 and sixth form Masterpiece Show part 2 (P4 – Hall, P5 – Classrooms).*

Lunchtime – Year 9 Adoration/Reconciliation/Time. Year 10 – Fr Hudson's fundraising activities and non-uniform day.

Friday – *Reflection on our whole college mission week for every year group in the hall led by the RISE team and representative from Fr Hudson Caritas (P1 – Year 7, P2 – Year 8, P3 – Year 9, P4 – Year 10, P5 – Year 11. Sixth form choose to join a year group).*

Lunchtime – Year 11 and sixth form – Fr Hudson's fundraising activities and non-uniform day.

As part of our celebrations to mark **60 wonderful years** of Painsley Catholic College, we are delighted to invite you to a special **Mission Week Event for parents, carers, grandparents, governors and friends of Painsley**. We invite all to join us on Wednesday, 17th September at 6.00 - 7.00pm, followed by refreshments at our main hall, with donations to Fr Hudson's Caritas. This is a wonderful chance to meet other families, connect with staff and be part of a key moment in our college's history.

To help us plan for the evening, please reserve your place via the link below, which can also be found on our social media or contact our main reception to make them aware of the number who will be attending:

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/painsley-catholic-college-mission-week-parent-event-tickets-1669071119649?utm-campaign=social&utm-content=attendeeshare&utm-medium=discovery&utm-term=listing&utm-source=cp&aff=ebdsshcopyurl

We look forward to welcoming you next week and indeed throughout the year as we continue our journey as Painsley Catholic College, part of the St Gabriel the Archangel Catholic Multi-Academy Trust.

God Bless

R. A. Waugh

Mrs Waugh