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Dear Parent/Carer

I would like to start this week's letter by saying a huge thank you to the vast number of students who have approached this weather-challenging week sensibly and with maturity. Students have had to follow wet weather procedures to ensure their safety around the site and some of the usual lunchtime activities will not have been able to take place in the usual manner. Thank you to all those who demonstrated their resilience and acted in solidarity with the college family for the common good.

On Monday, we started the week looking ahead to Advent and planning our Advent actions for CAFOD and reflecting solidarity and the common good. Half of the Year 11 geography students took part in the Salford Quays visit. The postponed visit is currently being re-arranged to ensure all the students have the opportunity to collate the data required. Most year groups have received their rewards certificates this week. Once again, Year 8 is being re-arranged following the need to postpone on Tuesday morning. Well done to all the students who received a certificate or were flagged due to their positive conduct points or 100% attendance. They should all be very proud of their achievements. Thank you to the parents who attended the SEND coffee morning. It was a fantastic opportunity for quality discussion around the students' passports and strategies. Well done to all those who participated in the college swimming gala on a very chilly Thursday morning.

As we move into the next assessment fortnight, I encourage all the students to prepare well and demonstrate their true capabilities and potential. This will enable all the staff to respond appropriately to all that needs to be done.

On the back of the Year 12/13 assessment fortnight that has just concluded, there are a number of conferences and visits to enrich the sixth form curriculum in the week ahead, namely Biology in Action, a geography conference and a design and technology visiting speaker.

This Sunday, we celebrate the feast of Christ The King, which is the final Sunday in the liturgical year and designated as National Youth Sunday. A number of our students will be supporting the liturgy at St Mary's, Leek. You are more than welcome to join them. In the Gospel this weekend (John 18:33-37). Jesus reminds us "… I came into the world for this: to bear witness to the truth; and all who are on the side of truth listen to my voice."

God Bless

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