



# ST JAMES'

CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

4<sup>th</sup> May 2021

Dear Parent/Carer

## Re: Summer Term Week 4 Headteacher Update

Firstly, we are delighted that we will be ending our year with a celebration of our curriculum with Curriculum Excellence Week (CEW). This will be an opportunity for our Years 7 to 10 to be immersed in a variety of different activities within a multitude of subject areas. There will also be a Careers Day with the opportunity for students to explore different careers and experience a range of activities. Years 7 and 8 will have the opportunity to visit Chester Zoo and Years 7 to 10 will be going to Alton Towers. More information about these two trips will be shared with parents and students in the coming weeks. After what has been a very challenging year for all, it will be a great opportunity to end the term celebrating our three values of Family, Faith and Excellence and we hope it will be a most enjoyable experience for all.

On Friday I wrote to Year 11 parents informing them of key dates including arrangements for a leavers' assembly, results day and prize evening. If you are a parent of a Year 11 child, I would ask that you have familiarised yourself with the content. If you have missed this letter or any other; all letters are available on the school website.

Thank you to all of our Year 7 parents who completed the feedback following the Year 7 Parents' Evening last Thursday. The feedback we receive is truly valued and it is lovely for staff to read the exceptionally positive feedback and comments. As always, the results from the parental feedback will be shared on the school website <http://www.stjamesheadle.co.uk/parental-voice/>. We are hoping to have the Year 7 feedback live on the website towards the end of the week.

Yesterday the image of a garden was shared in the Gospel. Jesus reminds us of this when he says: "Just as a branch cannot bear fruit on its own unless it remains on the vine, so neither can you unless you remain in me". Our Lord warns us to remain closely united with him, as is the branch to the vine, if we hope to bear fruit worthy of heaven. Christ has promised to remain beside us during life if we stay close to him. This week let us take the opportunity to remain closely united with Jesus especially during any challenging times.

Have a lovely week and if you need us, you know where we are [headteacherpa@stjamesheadle.co.uk](mailto:headteacherpa@stjamesheadle.co.uk)

Yours faithfully

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