

18<sup>th</sup> March 2024

Dear Parent/Carer

## Re: Spring Term Week 10 Headteacher Update

As we approach the final stretch before the Easter holiday, I wanted to take a moment to remind all parents/carers, but especially those with children in Year 11, that less than two weeks are remaining. It's imperative that our Year 11 children are well underway with their revision plans, ensuring they are fully prepared for the upcoming GCSE exams. Some of our children have already completed their first "real" GCSE examination in Food and Nutrition, marking the beginning of a significant period. This week, we have the Art examination, another milestone in their academic journey. Encouraging your children to stay focused, organised, and committed to their studies during these crucial weeks will undoubtedly contribute to their success. Thank you for your ongoing support.

A reminder on Thursday this week, 21<sup>st</sup> March, we have our Year 7 Parents' Evening taking place via School Cloud. Dr Guscott has already written to you if you have a child in Year 7 with full details on how to book appointments in advance of this evening. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Dr Guscott directly.

Yesterday, a team of staff ran the Nantwich 10k to raise money for CAFOD. We all donned our Cafod vests or T-Shirts to highlight the purpose of our run. All members of staff completed the race in various times and all for a good cause. A huge thank you to everyone who has already sponsored us and should you still wish to, the link is available <u>here</u>. There are various pictures on X, formerly Twitter, should you wish to see our athletes in action!

Yesterday was the fifth Sunday of Lent, the Gospel beckons us to contemplate the profound message of transformation encapsulated in the metaphor of a grain of wheat falling to the ground and yielding a rich harvest through death. This powerful imagery reminds us of the cycle of renewal and growth inherent in the journey of faith. In our Catholic school family, this message resonates deeply as we strive to nurture the potential within each child. Just as the seed must undergo a process of transformation to bear fruit, so too must we embrace moments of self-reflection, sacrifice, and renewal in our lives. As we continue to navigate through Lent, may we approach each day with a spirit of openness and resilience, knowing that through our trials and tribulations, we sow the seeds of a richer and more abundant harvest.

Have a great week and if you need anything please do not hesitate to get in touch <u>headteacherpa@stjamescheadle.co.uk</u>

Yours faithfully

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