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E-Briefing for Parents, Carers and Students Friday 22nd January

Prayers and Reflections

The theme of our week for next week is 'Good News' and we all are keen to welcome as much good news as possible at this moment in time. We will also be marking Holocaust Memorial Day on Wednesday 27th January.

Lord God and Father,
Deepen our respect for everything you have made,
And help us to share in securing the maximum good
Of every person who is alive in your world.
We ask this in the Name of your Son Jesus Christ.
Amen



Final Foodbank Total

Now the final bags have gone, I am delighted to confirm that we had collected 586.2kg for the Foodbank - over half a tonne of donations as well as 20 boxes of food for the SVP and our local parishes. A fantastic achievement which reflects the generosity, compassion and concern shown by our school community - shining a light on faith into action which makes a real difference to the lives of people in our wider community.

Remote Learning Update

Form Period Reminder

As mentioned previously, the school day starts at 08.45 with Form Period. It is most pleasing to hear the positive feedback that students have given about their Form Periods and, as a school, we value this time highly.

It is such an important part of the day's learning, and time is spent focusing on the pastoral curriculum, engaging with Sacred Space, meeting with the Form Teacher, providing pastoral support, and checking on how learning is going.

Mr Johnson



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Helping your child to learn at home

My Wycherley has updated the <u>remote learning page</u> on our website to include many hints and tips for parents, carers and students. He has also created an <u>updated video</u> for you to watch which includes many helpful strategies for you to use, and also dispels some common myths surrounding remote learning by explaining the current research underpinning effective learning at home.

Year 11 Sixth For Offer Letters

Students in Year 11 who have applied to St Nicholas Catholic Sixth Form for September 2021 should have now received their official offer letters from Mr Bradley. If you have any questions or concerns please contact Mr Bradley at school to discuss further.

GCSE & A Level Exams

Ofqual and the DfE have released details of the joint consultation process for examinations this year. This consultation will be open for two weeks starting on 15 January 2021 and ending on 29 January 2021 at 23.45. We have written to all students and families in Years 11 and 13, and there are links below should you wish to find out more and/or participate in this most important of consultations.

DfE Webpage with link to online consultation form

Consultation Form

Please let us know if we can help

Whilst we hope that everyone is coping well with the present situation, this is a difficult time and we appreciate that there may be some families who are undergoing hardship because of changes in work or personal circumstances. So that we may support our St Nicholas family we have registered as a referral organisation for local Foodbanks. Usually this would mean issuing vouchers for people to use at their local distribution centre. However, in present circumstances, we are able to process an on-line referral and arrange an appointment for you to collect a three day emergency food package from an agreed centre. For those who are self-isolating, a delivery can be arranged instead, subject to volunteer capacity. Please do contact us (who/how) if we can be of help in this manner. As always, our conversation and any information that we need to pass on to the Foodbank, will be treated with the utmost confidentiality.

Mairie