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Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year!

Term two has got off to a good start despite the freezing weather! Thanks for your help in getting all of our students back into school for the start of the new term, they have had a really positive week. Our students have reflected this week on 'new beginnings' and the exciting opportunities that lie ahead.

'You are never too old to set another goal or to dream a new dream.' C. S. Lewis

A few bits and pieces this week to keep you updated...

Information for parents of Year 11 students

We have sent a separate letter today with information about mock results, revision support, the Year 11 prom and final events, leavers hoodies and also a revision workshop for parents to help them further support their child. If you have any other queries let us know!

Update – school closure.

Some Year 9 students left to start their next school at the start of term, others are leaving Holy Family and joining The Snaith school next week. All our love and best wishes go with them and we thank their families for all their support for Holy Family School. Further students leave the following week.

Other schools have started to get in touch to organise transition at different points over these last two terms. If you have not heard anything about a place at another school or a planned starting date by the end of next week please let us know and we will chase this with the local authorities and receiving schools.

I have requested another meeting with the local authority SEND teams to chase up decisions on placements for our students with EHCPs. Some decisions are at the panel stage so hopefully we will have the outcomes of these shortly. We will contact you once we know any more information and we would appreciate you letting us know if the SEND team inform you of any decisions.

Discussion on SEND provision in this area

We have been asked to advertise a Teams meeting with Keir Mather MP on Thursday 16/01/25 at 4.30pm for anyone who would like to be involved in this parent forum discussion.

Please email Keir Mather's office for a link if you would like to join the meeting:

keir.mather.mp@parliament.uk

Supporting our students...

We recognise how difficult it has been, and will be, for some of our students as their friends leave. We are continuing to access support from the Wellbeing in Mind team so please do not hesitate to get in touch if you feel your child needs further support.

We are meeting with the team next week to plan more sessions for parents.

Donations of uniform are also gratefully received to help those students who are still in school.



Support for staff...

We thank you for all the lovely cards, messages and 'thank you'treats for staff in school. Your kindness is really appreciated. This is a challenging time for everyone in our community but especially our students and staff. Lets continue to support each other throughout this year.

Finally this week...

On Monday was the feast of the Epiphany and in our staff meeting we reflected on the Catholic tradition of blessing our homes by marking them, this year, with '20 + C + M + B + 25' in chalk. This symbolises the year and the initial of the three wise men: Casper; Melchior and Balthasar. We prayed for our school to be blessed for these final two terms.

'Lord, bless all who work and study in our school. Help us to share care and compassion with each other. Continue to make this a place of welcome and strength, of blessing and of friendship. We pray that everyone who passes through our doorway may find a family and home lit by the light of love. Amen'

We send our blessings to all of your homes for 2025.

Have a lovely weekend,



Mrs D. Mitchell
Headteacher