



# Living life to the full at Carmel College



Compassion



Confidence



Honesty



Justice

## This fortnight at Carmel College

Updates for W/C 27<sup>th</sup> November- 08<sup>th</sup> December – The Season of Advent begins on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December.

### Important Messages for Parents

- Click [here](#) for the College calendar
- Click [here](#) for more information on the importance of good attendance
- Click [here](#) for our parking pledge
- Please remind your children that chewing gum is prohibited at Carmel College.

### Key Dates and Upcoming Events

Event	Date
Academic Mentoring Day	Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> November
GCSE Mock Examinations begin	Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> November
Year 13 Mock Examinations Commence	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> December
Christmas Liturgy and Celebration	Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> & Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> December at 6.30pm
Last day of Autumn Term	Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> December
Students return from Christmas Break	Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> January 2024
Parliament Trip to London	Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> January 2024
February Half Term Break – School Closed	Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> February 2024
Students return to College from February Half Term	Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> February 2024
Y7 RE London Trip	02 <sup>nd</sup> – 04 <sup>th</sup> April 2024
Year 11 Prom Date	Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> July 2024

**Week Commencing: Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November 2023**

**THEME FOR THE WEEK: 'Christ is our King!'**

LINKED CST PRINCIPLE: Honesty  
LINKED BHGET VIRTUE: Resilience

**FINAL WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME WEEK 34 YEAR A: Christ the King! Matthew 25:31-46 'I was naked and you clothed me; sick, and you visited me.'**

**WORLD RELIGIONS AND CULTURAL EVENTS:** 1ST WORLD AIDS DAY, 2ND DECEMBER INTERNATIONAL DAY FOR ABOLITION OF SLAVERY, 4TH WILDLIFE CONSERVATION DAY

**FEAST DAYS AND MEMORIALS THIS WEEK:** 5th Feast of St Andrew, 1st World Aids Day, 2nd St Francis Xavier, NOBANTS DAY 2ND DECEMBER

**Week Commencing: Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December 2023**

**THEME FOR THE WEEK: 'Humility.'**

LINKED CST PRINCIPLE: Responsibility  
LINKED BHGET VIRTUE: Self Belief

**ADVENT WEEK 1, YEAR B Mark 13:33-37 'If he comes unexpectedly, he must not find you asleep.'**

**WORLD RELIGIONS AND CULTURAL EVENTS:** INTERNATIONAL VOLUNTEERS DAY 5TH DECEMBER, 9TH DAY OF COMMEMORATION AND DIGNITY OF THE VICTIMS OF THE CRIME OF GENOCIDE, 10TH HUMAN RIGHTS DAY, 10TH ANNUAL RIGHTS DAY 7TH- 10TH JEWISH FESTIVAL OF HANUKKAH

**FEAST DAYS AND MEMORIALS THIS WEEK:** 28th St Nicholas, 1st St Andrew, SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY PATRONAL FEAST DAY OURS, (Please pray on the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception), Blessing of Advent Wreaths and Christmas Tree (Celebration of the beginning of Expectation to meet or visit possible: Parochial Services)

## PSHE and Well-Being

Please click [here](#) for the latest copy of our online safety newsletter

- Attendance continues to be an important focus, with a weekly prize draw for those with 100% attendance. Your child could win a £5.00 Amazon voucher.
- Jewellery reminder - no hoops, rings, bracelets or necklaces.

## Extra-Curricular Opportunities

- Academic Mentoring Day on Tuesday 28th November- Bookings for AMD appointments are now open by following the link: <https://carmel.schoolcloud.co.uk/>
- Y7 & Y8 Retreat places have now been allocated - £20 deposit and letters due in by 30.11.23
- Learning Mentors are available to support year 11 with homework and revision every lunchtime and after college on Tuesday and Thursday

## Wider College Events

Click [here](#) for to see our most recent news and images of students 'Living life to the full'.

- Please support us in raising funds for our school PTA club. You pay a one off fee of only £10.00 to be entered into a termly prize draw. 1<sup>st</sup> prize is £75.00, 2<sup>nd</sup> prize is £50.00 and 3<sup>rd</sup> prize is £20.00. You can enter via the "My child at School" app. Item found in the products section. Good Luck!
- We are looking forward to having our Christmas Liturgy and Celebration on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December at 6:30pm. Tickets are on sale via my child at school app. Always a wonderful start to the season.
- Christmas Hampers - Student donations will be collected during PSHE on **Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November** - Hampers will be donated to families in need by the (adult) SVP. Some will go to asylum seekers in Darlington. Our aim is to make at least 100, so every student's donation is vital.

### HOME AND SCHOOL COMMUNICATION

Please ensure you have downloaded our school communication apps, 'Class charts and My child at school' for us to successfully communicate any changes and achievements for your child.

Please call the school office on 01325 254525 if you need any assistance.

### CARMEL COLLEGE HOUSE SYSTEM – SCORES ON THE DOORS.

St Cuthbert's are leading the way with 5624 points, St Bedes following closely behind with 5530, only 94 points difference.

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Respect



Responsibility



Resilience



Self Belief