



Living life to the full at Carmel College

Compassion
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This fortnight at Carmel College

Updates for W/C 11th Nov ember – 22nd November 2024 - - [We are in the season of Ordinary Time](#) November is the month of the Holy Souls

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

Date	Event
13th November 2024	Silksworth Ski Lessons
18th November 2024	Care Home Visit – Intergenerational Reading Scheme
18th November 2024	Silksworth Ski Lessons
19th November 2024	Sixth Form Open Evening
19th November 2024	Silksworth Ski Lessons
19th November 2024	Vertu Motor Arena – Apprenticeship Show Y12/Y13 (50 Students)
26th November 2024	Academic Mentoring Day
27th November 2024	Year 11 Mock Exams Begin
4th December 2024	Year 13 Mock Exams Begin
9th December 2024	Care Home Visit – Intergenerational Reading Scheme
16th December 2024	Christmas Liturgy
16th December 2024	Christmas Jumper Day
17th December 2024	Mass of Thanksgiving with Bishop Stephen
18th December 2024	Christmas Lunch Day
20th December 2024	Carmel Christmas House Party! Carmel closes for Christmas break



Academic

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We have had a wonderful return to Carmel following the half-term break. Mrs Kane has been leading assemblies with year groups reflecting on our recent OFSTED success and giving thanks for our wonderful community. Our Year 11 and Year 13 students are now preparing for their upcoming mock examinations. Year 11 mock exams will commence on 27th November and run until 10th December, while Year 13 A Level mocks will take place from 4th December until 13th December. In addition, some vocational external exams are scheduled for January. Year 11 students will be receiving their mock timetable very soon. You can also view the full mock exam timetable [here](#) [insert link].

Academic Mentoring Day (AMD) is an opportunity for you to join your child for an appointment with their academic mentor to discuss their progress academically and socially so far this year. By following this [link](#) you can book your appointment and ensure a time that best suits you.

Life to the Full

Our Enrichment timetable is now in place. View it [here](#).

Fun House Friday details have been shared with all students; from creative workshops like Remembrance Poppy Making and Advent Wreath Making to exciting competitions such as table tennis, debating, and an open mic music event. These activities not only provide a chance for students to showcase their talents but also help to build friendships, teamwork, and school spirit. For more information, students can speak to their House Captains or look out for details in school. We encourage everyone to take part and enjoy these enriching experiences!

Carmel Community & Our Centenary!

Plans are well underway as we mark our centenary of outstanding Catholic education in Darlington, beginning in 1924 with the formation of St. Mary's Grammar School for Boys and continuing with the amalgamation in 1974 with the Immaculate Conception, where the girls joined to form Carmel College. We are in the process of collating a special display from our archives and are seeking any photos or memorabilia that people may wish to share. We are particularly interested in photos from school trips, classroom scenes, and any items of historical significance.

Our first event in this centenary celebration will be a Mass of Thanksgiving, celebrated by Bishop Stephen at 6:30 pm, followed by the unveiling of a permanent timeline display in the atrium. After the Mass, there will be a drinks reception and a special centenary concert, where some familiar faces from Carmel's past may return to join the festivities. Tickets for this event will be available shortly.

Although we're only in November, we're already working towards our Advent Christmas Hamper Appeal. Each form group has been asked to provide a specific item, which students have been informed about. These contributions will help create over 100 hampers, which will be distributed to those in need across Darlington. We ask that you be as generous as you can, putting our faith into action as we approach the Advent season.

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