



Carmel College

WEEK COMMENCING 23RD JUNE 2025-4TH JULY 2025
WE ARE IN THE SEASON OF ORDINARY TIME

LIFE TO THE FULL FORTNIGHTLY UPDATE

IMPORTANT MESSAGES FOR PARENTS AND CARERS

[Click here](#) for the College calendar

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

Carmel Parking Pledge – Keeping Everyone Safe

Please park safely and respectfully around Clare Avenue and Hillclose Avenue, keeping driveways, junctions, and crossing points clear, avoiding double parking, and helping students cross safely.

When using the Carmel College One-Way System, enter from the Hummersknott end, park on the left facing downhill, use the nearside door for students to exit, and avoid parking on 'School Keep Clear' markings, driveways, verges, or pavements—exit via Carmel Road. [Click here](#) for more information.

CATHOLIC LIFE

Week Commencing:
Monday 23rd June 2025
Week 12 Ordinary Time Year C

THEME FOR THE WEEK:
The Eucharist - Luke 9:17
The Solemnity of Corpus Christi

"They all ate and were satisfied" (Luke 9:17)

On the Feast of Corpus Christi, we reflect on Luke 9:17, where Jesus feeds the multitude with five loaves and two fish. This miracle not only demonstrates Jesus' divine compassion and power, ensuring that all who were present were satisfied, but also embodies the Catholic belief in the Eucharist as the source of spiritual nourishment. As we live out this Gospel message, we are called to show mutual respect and kindness, ensuring that everyone is cared for and valued. Additionally, this story exemplifies Jesus' ability to use simple things to bring about profound change, reminding us that the Eucharist is a powerful sacrament that transforms us and unites us with God and one another.

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PEAST DAYS AND MEMORIALS THIS WEEK:
Friday 27th - The Sacred Heart of Jesus
Sunday 29th - The Solemnity of the Ascension
Monday 30th - The Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ

Week Commencing:
Monday 24th June 2025
Week 13 Ordinary Time Year C

THEME FOR THE WEEK:
Foundation of Faith: Matthew 16:18
The Solemnity of St Peter and Paul

"You are Peter, and on this rock I will build my Church" (Matthew 16:18)

On the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul, we reflect on Matthew 16:18, where Jesus declares Peter to be the rock upon which He will build His Church. This passage underscores the importance of responsibility and leadership within the faith community. It highlights the Catholic belief in the primacy of the papacy and the role of the Bishop of Rome as the successor to St Peter. The foundation of faith is built upon the teachings of Jesus and the apostles, emphasizing the importance of order, responsibility, and steadfastness in our spiritual journey. This foundation of faith, established by Jesus and continued by His apostles, is the basis for our faith and our relationship with God.

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Feast of the Ascension (Thursday 29th May – during half term) (Acts 1:1-11)—As we break for half term, we celebrate the Ascension of the Lord. Jesus returns to the Father and entrusts His mission to us: “You will be my witnesses...” (Acts 1:8). Though no longer visible, Christ remains with us through the Spirit, calling us to live with courage and hope.

Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul (Matthew 16:18)—“You are Peter, and on this rock I will build my Church.” Jesus entrusts Peter and, through him, the Church, with His mission. Peter and Paul, once flawed and afraid, became bold witnesses of the Gospel. Their lives remind us that God calls us, despite our imperfections, to lead, serve, and proclaim with faith and courage.

Follow the Sunday Mass readings [here](#).

KEY DATES AND UPCOMING EVENTS

Date	Event
23.06.25–27.06.25	Y12 Work Experience
23.06.25	Y7 Summer Disco
25.06.25	Middlesbrough College Trip (Y10)
27.06.25	Y13 Leavers' Ball
30.06.25	Y12 Geography Trip
30.06.25–03.07.25	Y8 Culture Trail to Newcastle
01.07.25	Darlington College Trip (Y10)
01.07.25	Maths Inspiration Trip
02.07.25–04.07.25	Diocesan Youth Festival (Y10)
07.07.25	GCSE Y10 Geography Trip
07.07.25	Y11 Prom
08.07.25	Town Sports
08.07.25	GCSE Y10 Geography Trip
09.07.25–11.07.25	Shrek Summer Musical
09.07.25	Science & Geography Trip (Y12)
09.07.25–11.07.25	Shrek Summer Musical
10.07.25	Trust Sports Event
16.07.25	End of Year Mass (Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel)
17.07.25	Break for Summer
14.08.25	A-Level Results Day
21.08.25	GCSE Results Day
02.09.25	College Reopens (Y7 and Y12)
03.09.25	College Open to All Students

VICE PRINCIPAL FOR PASTORAL CARE

Designated Safeguarding Lead

MRS S THORNTON



PASTORAL TEAM

ASSISTANT VICE PRINCIPAL (BEHAVIOUR)

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead

Mr K McCann



DIRECTOR OF SIXTH FORM

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead

Mrs L Parnaby



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ACADEMIC

 **Assessments Completed** – All end-of-year assessments across KS3, KS4, and KS5 are now complete. Students are using lesson time to review their work, address misconceptions and improve their responses with teacher support.

 **Consolidation & Next Steps** – The final part of this term is focused on consolidating learning from this academic year and preparing students for the year ahead.

 **Reports** – Academic and pastoral reports are currently being finalised and will be shared with families shortly.

 **Public Examinations Concluded** – The final external exam took place on Friday 20th June. We are incredibly proud of our Year 11 and Year 13 students for their resilience and hard work. 🙏 We wish them every blessing as they begin their summer break and take their next steps.

 **Year 12 Mocks** – Year 12 students have completed their in-class mock assessments. These will support conversations with teachers at next week's Parents' Evening.

 **Year 12 Work Experience** – From Monday 23rd – Friday 27th June, all Year 12 students are out on work placements, gaining valuable experience in a wide range of careers.

 **Year 12 Parents' Evening – Tuesday 1st July | 4:00–6:30pm**

 No appointments needed.


 Please do not arrive at Carmel before 4pm to allow our students and school buses to depart safely.

 Refreshments will be on sale, with all donations going towards our Sixth Formers' Project Peru appeal.

Come along to meet with subject teachers, celebrate progress, and discuss mock results and next steps.

PSHE

 **Curriculum Complete** – Students have now completed all modules of our bespoke PSHE programme for this academic year, covering a wide range of personal, social, emotional, and health topics designed to support their growth and wellbeing.

 **Focus on Gratitude & Oracy** – In their final PSHE sessions of the year, students are developing their oracy skills through a focus on gratitude.

They will be: Reflecting on what they're grateful for/Practising public speaking/Building confidence in communicating clearly and respectfully.

 These sessions are designed to help students become more articulate, self-aware, and thoughtful – key traits for lifelong learning and positive relationships.

☀️ We are proud of the progress students have made this year in PSHE and look forward to continuing to nurture confident, compassionate, and resilient young people.



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PASTORAL


 **Uniform Matters** – Thank you for supporting our uniform policy, which promotes pride, equality, and a sense of community. Please ensure your child continues to follow these key expectations:

Shoes – All black, no logos or coloured markings/ Trousers – Grey only (not black or skinny fit)/Skirts – Blue tartan with black tights or navy socks/Hoodies – Not permitted / Jewellery – One small ear stud per lobe + a watch – no other piercings or tattoos



 **Donate Pre-Loved Uniform** – If your child has outgrown their uniform or finished Year 11, please consider donating clean items to Main Reception. These will go to our ReNew Shop, supporting families and promoting stewardship of the environment.

 **PE Kit Donations Welcome** – Outgrown PE kits are also gratefully received – they'll help other families while reducing waste. Thank you for your generosity!



 **Visit the ReNew Shop** – **Affordable, good-quality uniform is available for all families. It's open regularly and supports both sustainability and inclusion.**

 **Attendance = Achievement** – Students with 95%+ attendance consistently achieve stronger outcomes.

 Every day counts – thank you for ensuring your child attends and arrives on time.

 **Safeguarding at Carmel** – **Safeguarding is at the heart of all we do. We are committed to a safe, nurturing environment where every child feels known and protected.**  **Our dedicated Safeguarding Team is always here to help and support.**

 **Warmer Weather Reminder** – Bring a reusable water bottle each day/ Apply sunscreen before school/ Take care in the sun, especially during outdoor activities

 **Term Dates & Attendance Reminders** –  Please do not book holidays during term time – every day of learning matters. We finish for the summer on Thursday 17th July. School will be closed to all students on Friday 18th July. If your child has a medical appointment, please provide evidence (e.g., a letter or appointment card) so we can authorise the absence.

 Click here to read our latest Online Safety Newsletter – helpful tips and updates to keep your child safe online.

LIFE TO THE FULL


We encourage all students to take part in at least one enrichment activity each week – it's a great way to grow in confidence, make friends, and live Life to the Full.

 [View our Enrichment Timetable here](#)

 **Sports Day** – A fantastic day of sunshine, teamwork, and fun! Huge congratulations to St Cuthbert's, crowned this year's champions 

 **Year 9 Celebration Lunch** – Thank you to all who helped make Friday's formal lunch such a special event – especially the individuals and businesses who supported us.

 **Year 7 Summer Disco** – We're excited to welcome Year 7 to their Summer Disco on Monday 23rd June – all in support of Project Peru

 **Year 8 Culture Trails** – Next week, Year 8 students begin their Cultural Trails to Newcastle, exploring faith, art, and local heritage.

The final weeks of term are packed with celebration, enrichment, and memories still to be made!

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