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CATHOLIC ACADEMY

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Wednesday 27th March 2024

Dear Parents / Carers

As we approach our Easter break I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for working with us in partnership to ensure we continue to provide the best possible educational experience for your children. I would also like to share some updates, information and reminders that I hope you will find useful.

Academic excellence continues to be enhanced by our extensive and well supported range of extracurricular events and opportunities which highlight the willingness of pupils to get involved, and the commitment of inspirational staff who choose to go the extra mile in organising such a wide variety of activities for the benefit of our school community.

Such success would not be possible without the continued support of parents and carers working together with school to ensure our young people maximise the fantastic curriculum and learning opportunities on offer at Our Lady and St Bede Catholic Academy, but also develop effective routines, resilience and other skills necessary to live fulfilled lives.

Attendance is a crucial part of academic progress, the higher the level of attendance, the greater the chance of success. The expectation is that all pupils achieve 100% attendance as it is proved that anything under this has a detrimental effect on academic achievement. We would wholeheartedly appreciate your support with this and ask that parents and carers continue to support us with attendance, uniform, equipment and conduct expectations and standards.

It has been a busy term for all our pupils but particularly for our Year 11 pupils who have approached their pre-public examinations in a mature, exemplary way. We are very proud of their continued efforts and continue to do everything we can to support them and maximise their chances of getting the grades they deserve.

As the exam season is fast approaching, we have put together a series of revision classes over the Easter break for our Year 11 pupils. This is a fantastic opportunity for your son/daughter to gain some high quality, focused revision from their teachers. Mrs Jarvis, our Director of Quality of Education will be sending a separate letter to parents which details the Easter revision timetable.

Finally, on behalf of Our Lady and St Bede Catholic Academy, can I wish all our families a Holy, healthy and happy Easter and I look forward to our return on Monday 15th April.

Best wishes,

Mrs M Wilkinson
Headteacher

