

# WELCOME FROM HEAD

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### Welcome to this edition of our newsletter.

As we move forward, this series of communications will focus on celebrating the many successes of our pupils in sport, music, Catholic Life, Personal Development, and more.

I hope you continue to find these updates both informative and encouraging. Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Warmest wishes, Mrs Wilkinson

# **CATHOLIC LIFE**

### **Mini Mission**

This term, we welcomed 90 amazing children from our feeder primary schools for our Summer Mini Mission! It was a joyful day full of songs, dancing, games, prayer and reflection — all centred on our Catholic ethos and values.

The most inspiring part? The entire day was pupil-led by our incredible Key Stage 3 Faith Leaders, who shared their faith with confidence, compassion and creativity.

A beautiful reminder that our mission to "know God and know ourselves" starts young and is lived out in love.

# **Pilgrimage To Walsingham**

Eight of our pupils travelled to Walsingham in Norfolk on pilgrimage, accompanied by our Chaplain and Fr Mark. Known as England's Nazareth, Walsingham has been a place of Catholic pilgrimage for centuries — a sacred space for prayer, reflection, and growing closer to Mary and Christ.

Our pupils embraced the experience with joy, deepening their faith through prayer, walking pilgrim routes, and joining with others from across the country. It was a powerful opportunity for faith formation, and we're so proud of how they represented our school.





# **CATHOLIC LIFE**

### **Confirmation**

32 of our pupils received the Sacrament of Confirmation in a beautiful Mass celebrated by Bishop Stephen at English Martyrs and St. Peter & St. Paul Parish, Roseworth this term.

We were especially blessed as two of our dedicated staff were also received into the Church and confirmed – a powerful witness of faith.

Huge thanks to Fr Mark and the parish community for guiding and preparing our young people to understand the meaning and mission of Confirmation.

# Diocesan Festival

What an unforgettable few days for our pupils at the annual Diocesan Youth Festival organised by YMT! J Music, L dancing, S laughter, prayer, deep reflection and a joyful celebration of faith — all shared with 71 of our amazing pupils.

A huge thank you to Liz our chaplain and the incredible staff team who made this possible.



# STUDENT SUCCESSES AND PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

### **Culture Day**

# Culture Day 2025 – A Celebration of Diversity! + ?

Last week, we celebrated our second annual Culture Festival – a joyful, vibrant day filled with music, dance, language, food, and tradition from 18 different countries, all represented by our incredible pupils!

Planned and led by our inspiring Multicultural Club, with the brilliant guidance of Ms. Jawaid, today was a true example of our Catholic mission in action – to recognise the dignity of every person and celebrate the beauty of God's creation in all its diversity.

Learning about other cultures helps us grow in respect, compassion, and global understanding – values at the heart of our school mission and the wider mission of the Catholic Church.



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# STUDENT SUCCESSES AND PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

### **Oxford Visit**

This week, a group of our amazing Year 10 pupils visited Oxford University with Miss Anderson and Mr Wardman.

From exploring some of the city's most iconic buildings to learning all about higher education at Jesus College, our pupils embraced every moment with curiosity and ambition.

We're incredibly proud of how they represented the school – asking thoughtful questions, engaging with university life, and showing that they're ready to aim high and dream big.

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# <u>STEM Trip</u>

Today students in year 7 took part in STEM NetZero at the Atmos Building in Darlington — and WOW, what an experience!

They explored renewable energy, got hands-on with exciting STEM challenges, and met real scientists and engineers working to build a greener future.

From wind turbines to hydrogen power, the day was packed with fun, learning, and big ideas. The future is bright and it's in their hands!

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### <u>Y10 Results Day</u>

A big well done to our amazing Year 10 students who have received their mock exam results yesterday Your hard work and determination are clear to see – this is a key milestone on your journey to Year 11 success!

Top Tips for the Summer:
Review your mock papers – what went well and what can improve?
Make a light revision plan – little and often keeps knowledge fresh!
Read for pleasure – it builds vocabulary, focus and imagination.
Don't forget to rest, recharge and enjoy time outdoors!

# **Y10 College Visits**

This term, every one of our Year 10 pupils took part in an exciting series of visits to Stockton Sixth Form, Middlesbrough College, and SRC, exploring a range of hands-on courses and getting a real taste of post-16 options.

In addition, over 100 pupils visited Durham University, where they experienced campus life and explored the possibilities that higher education can offer.

From engineering to health care, media to motor vehicle, our pupils threw themselves into each session with enthusiasm and ambition.

A huge thanks to Mr York for organising.







# Y7 Boys Football -2nd Place

# Y8 Boys Football -1st Place





# Y9 Boys Football -1st Place

# Y10 Boys Football -1st Place





# Y7 & Y8 Girls Football -1st Place



Y9 & Y10 Girls Football -1st Place





### **Stockton School Athletics**

Year 7 Boys – 5th Year 8/9 Boys – 1st Year 10 Boys – 4th Boys Overall – 1st

Year 7 Girls – 4th Year 8/9 Girls – 5th Year 10 Girls – 1st Girls Overall – 3rd

### School Overall - 2<sup>nd</sup> Place



# Netball

# Year 7

Year 7 won the Stockton Schools Tournament. They came third in the BHCET tournament.

# Year 9

Year 9 came second in the BHCET tournament. Lola L won the Virtues medal.



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