

St Mary's Catholic High School, Leyland

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14th September 2021

Dear Parent / Carer,

YEAR 7 Friendship Day 8th October 2021

As part of our commitment to nurture pupils on their journey of faith and friendship, we would like to invite your child to a special 'Friendship Day'. This day will provide the opportunity for them to bond with the rest of their year group and tutors, making new friends and strengthening old friendships.

It will be a busy day and will include lots of fun and games, a short liturgy in church and an 'LSM's Got Talent' style activity. This is a **NON UNIFORM DAY** so pupils may wear their own clothes. However, please ensure that clothing is appropriate as it is a school day and the majority of the day will be spent in church. To participate in this event, we ask that each pupil pays £2.00 towards the cost of the day. This payment should be placed in an envelope together with the attached reply slip marked 'Friendship Day' and returned to the main office by **Monday, 27th September 2021**.

Brief Itinerary:

On Friday, 8th October 2021, please ensure that your child goes directly to **Leyland St Mary's Catholic Church (Broadfield Walk, Leyland PR25 1PD)**. They should arrive for 8:50 a.m. for a 9:00 a.m. start. If your child gets the special bus to school, they should report to St Mary's School reception promptly, from where they will be taken by school mini bus to the church.

Please make sure your child brings a packed lunch and snacks and drinks. We will arrange packed lunches for those pupils eligible for free school meals. In addition, cold drinks and biscuits will be served at break time.

Activities will finish at St Mary's Church by 2:50 p.m. Pupils may be collected from church at 3:00 p.m. or make their own way home if they live in the vicinity and you give your permission for them to do so. If your child gets a special bus home from school, a minibus will take them back to school in time for the bus at 3:00 p.m.

Please also note that 'Friendship Day' is part of our new and exciting Personal, Social, Health, Citizenship and Economic Education (PSHCEE) curriculum.

If you have any questions regarding 'Friendship Day' please do not hesitate to contact me on the above telephone number.

Thank you for your support and God Bless.

Yours sincerely,

Anthony Cave
School Lay Chaplain

Miss Wilson
Year 7 Pastoral Leader

Year 7 Friendship Day

(Reply slip FAO: A Cave)

I give permission for my child(name) Form:.....
to participate in the 'Friendship Day' taking place at St Mary's Catholic Church on Friday, 8th October
2021. I enclose £2.00 to cover the costs of the day.

I have previously completed a Medical Form for my child and:

(please tick the appropriate response)

- I can confirm that the details remain unchanged.

- the details are out dated and I require a new Medical Form to complete before this visit departs.

You are reminded that the school has a code of conduct for the use of mobile phones and that you signed a **'Use of Mobile Devices Agreement'**. **Use of mobile devices on Educational Visits is prohibited and pupils will receive sanctions if they are seen with a mobile device.** Upon request, this agreement can be sent to you in order that you are aware of the expectations.

Signed (Parent / Carer) Date: