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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this letter finds you well.

As we near the end of another busy and very successful half-term I thought I would share with you some of the many achievements of our students here at St. Michael's. Our Year 11 students have had a fantastic and very settled start to their GCSE exams, well done to them all - we wish them much success.

We started the half-term with a group of students heading to Holy Island for a day's pilgrimage with the RE department. The weather was kind to them, and everyone had a wonderful day. As it is now the month of May, the month of Our Lady, we held our Marian procession for Year 7 students on Friday 10 May. This was a wonderful spectacle as the carriage bearing the statue of Our Lady was processed through the streets of Billingham.

Congratulations to those Year 7 and 8 students that took part in the Junior Maths Challenge this term. A record number of students achieved bronze, silver and gold awards, and one student made it to the national finals.

On the sporting front, Year 7, 8 and 9 were all entered into a mixed rugby competition and our Year 9 students were crowned champions. A team of Year 8 and 9 girls were entered for the national netball tournament in Swindon and for the second year running they were named Team of the Tournament.

Congratulations to Annabelle in Year 7 who has just published her first book – keep your eyes open for 'The Magic of the Enchanted Iron Mines'. A great read from a very talented young author.

We have also been busy welcoming the Year 5 students from each of our partner primary schools to St. Michael's. They have all been up to experience taster sessions in a variety of subjects with us and from speaking to these students, they absolutely loved their time at St. Michael's.

Mr. Butt, working alongside our Careers Lead Mrs. Iley, ran our first work experience for Year 10 students. Thank you to the families of students for your support with this. Overall, the feedback from our students was overwhelmingly positive.

For the entertainers in the school, we held one of our 'St. Michael's got talent' evenings at the start of May which drew a wide audience and performers played to a full house. Congratulations to Sonny in Year 11 who was voted the winner for 2024!

Please keep your eyes open over the next half-term as we celebrate St. Michael's 60th anniversary – we will keep you posted.

Alongside all of the above achievements, we continue to work closely with the many different agencies that support our young people both at school and in the wider community.

As school breaks up at 3.25pm on Friday 24 May, I would like to wish all our students and their families a lovely mid-term break.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs. C M Humble
Headteacher

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