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Dear Parent/Carer

I am pleased to inform you that your son/daughter is now able to register for the **Sacrament of Confirmation** through the Archdiocese of Liverpool. Registration is available online at: <a href="https://liverpoolcalled.co.uk/confirmation">https://liverpoolcalled.co.uk/confirmation</a>

The deadline for registration is **Thursday 13 February 2026**.

Please note that the Confirmation process is <u>not</u> organised by school. We are simply acting as the initial source of contact to ensure that all pupils are aware of the opportunity. All preparation and arrangements are coordinated by the Archdiocese and your local parish. If you have any enquiries about the process, please contact your parish priest directly.

Most of our Year 8 pupils who have already made their First Holy Communion go on to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, and we would hope to see the same with this current cohort. Confirmation is a vital step in a young person's faith journey: it strengthens the grace of Baptism, deepens their relationship with Christ, and empowers them with the gifts of the Holy Spirit to live out their faith with courage and commitment. It is both a personal milestone and a celebration for the wider Church community.

Preparation for Confirmation is organised in deanery areas. For most of our pupils, this will be within the **Wigan and Leigh Deanery** and so the preparation classes are usually held either at school or at St Oswald's so that it is easier for the children to access. A small number of pupils who live outside this deanery will be confirmed at different times and on different days. If this affects your child, you will be able to discuss any concerns with your assigned Confirmation Co-ordinator once they are allocated in February/March.

We encourage you to register your child by the deadline so they can take part in this important sacrament and continue their journey of faith.

Yours faithfully

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Maria Ruane School Chaplain