

# Weekly Newsletter



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Dear parents/carers,

It is impossible to get to this stage in the year without mentioning the students who are at the end of the national exam season. Many of these young people have worked so hard, have put in the extra time and effort, and have committed to being the very best version of themselves. I am thankful to our teachers and support staff who have offered countless hours of additional support to help lay the ground for a successful exam season. I am a firm believer that 'luck' has nothing to do with exam success. Hard work, dedication, belief, motivation and critically, consistency over time are the characteristics of those who come through the exams with a sense that they have achieved their own high standards and can enjoy the sense of pride and fulfilment that comes with doing their very best. I know that in the coming weeks you will continue to encourage, motivate, and praise our children so that they feel cared for and supported through this exciting stage of their education. Over the next week we will celebrate Mass together as a Year 11 and a Year 13 and then we will continue to celebrate at the two proms. These important life moments allow form tutors and the year group some time to pray, reflect, celebrate, and enjoy themselves before they take the next step in their exciting journey knowing they will always have BTHCC in their hearts.



I hope you have had a good week and that you are enjoying the time of year. Early summer is a great season with longer days, warmer weather, and more sunlight. My thoughts at the time drift to thinking about and reflecting on the role I play in our BTHCC and how I can better serve the children who come here, their families and my colleagues. I focus on the countless positive interactions that I have with our children and the colleagues who I work alongside. I cannot believe it is nearly a year since I joined the BTHCC family, and I thank God for the joy of running such a beautiful college.

Thank you for your continued support and I do hope you enjoy reading about this inspiring and motivating college.

**Mrs C S Hogg**



# WHAT'S GOING ON - WEEK 17TH-21ST JUNE

Day	What is going on
Monday	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Year 13 Leavers Mass - Sixth Form</li><li>• Year 10 Assessments (all week)</li><li>• Year 12 Assessments (all week)</li></ul>
Tuesday	Wear a football shirt for £1 to celebrate England playing in the Euros
Wednesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Wednesday Word</li><li>• Year 13 Prom</li></ul>
Thursday	Year 12 trip to Spain 
Friday	INSET DAY
Saturday	Year 11 Prom

# KENYON HALL FARM TRIP

Year 10 Food and Nutrition pupils had a lovely day at Kenyon Hall Farm on Monday. The focus was on food production, sustainability and seasonality. They got to see first hand where their food comes from and how much work goes into it's production. The highlight was of course, the tractor ride, and the strawberry picking session. Many thanks to Miss Metcalfe, Miss Ritson and Mr Evans for a fantastic day out for our pupils.



# ART TRIP

Students in Years 10 and 12 attended the MMU degree show to view the work of final year students across a range of disciplines. They collected lots of ideas and inspiration for their own projects and had the chance to see the range of creative courses on offer at University. They had the chance to talk to some students and ask questions about the work and what life was like at University. It was a brilliant trip and everyone came away inspired and eager to incorporate some of the techniques and ideas they had seen into their own projects.



# REFUGEE WEEK

Refugee Week is the world's largest arts & culture festival celebrating the contributions, creativity and resilience of refugees and people seeking sanctuary.

In English the students have been enjoying visiting the library to read texts about different refugees. We want to education our pupils about the dangerous and hardship that refugees face and show the resilience of refugees and people seeking sanctuary ❤️



Some of our year 7's enjoying reading about Malala a refugee from Pakistan. Malala brought global attention to the threat to girls education in Pakistan and was the youngest Nobel Prize winner 🇪🇺❤️



Well done to our winners of 'The Crossing' and 'I am Malala.'

# EUROS

On Thursday we supported England in the Euros by wearing football shirts for a £1 donation. We are raising money for Cafod, the Catholic Agency for Overseas Development.



# YEAR 11 LEAVERS MASS

On Wednesday night we welcomed Year 11 students and their families back into college to celebrate Mass with us. It was wonderful to acknowledge these amazing students and we wish them all the best for the future.



# WELLBEING

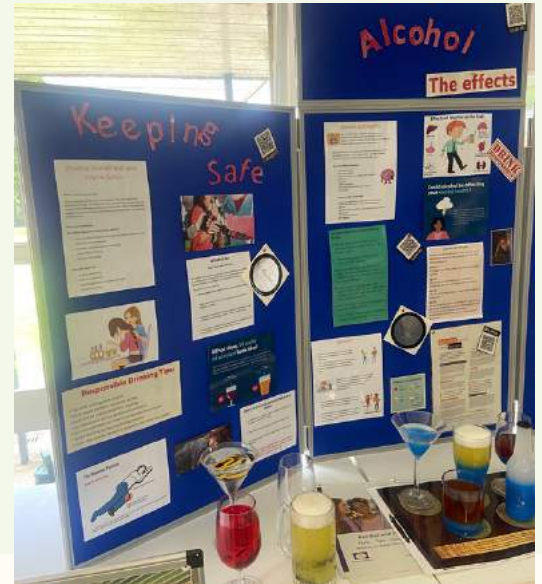
Thank you to Joanna for visiting us on Wednesday and inspiring us with your love for running and a training programme as we get ready for our 'Ultimate Challenge' in October when we run the Manchester half marathon and the Manchester marathon next year.



## SCHOOL NURSES



Trafford school nurses have been in today to talk to the students about the effects of alcohol and the dangers around mis-use.



## STUDENT SHOUTOUT

We are so proud of Felix in Year 8 who is part of a curling team and they have just won the North West Curling competition.



# DESIGN OUR COLLEGE MURAL

Calling all students (Year 7 - 12) 🗣️

We are running a very exciting competition in college! We are looking for a student to design our college mural 🎨

The mural must be BTHCC and must reflect our Catholic Social Teachings.

- Care for God's creation
- Dignity of the human person
  - Option for the poor
  - The common good
  - Peace
- Dignity of participation
  - Solidarity

The winners will work with the artist Ethan Lemon [About | Ethan Lemon Art](#) to create the design for our college mural.

All entries must be received by 3rd July 2024

All designs to be handed in to reception in the 6th form – if anyone needs paper or pens please do see your teachers.



# YEAR 13 LEAVERS MASS



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*We extend a heartfelt invitation to you and  
your family to join us for the Yr13 Leavers'  
Mass*

**MONDAY 24TH JUNE**

*In the Sixth Form at 4pm  
Followed by light refreshments in the cafe*




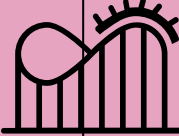

# EUROS



Wear a football  
shirt for  
**£1**  
TUESDAY 25TH  
**We are raising  
money for the  
work of CAFOD  
oversees**



# DATES FOR THE DIARY

Date	Event	Time	Location
24th June - Monday	Year 13 Leavers Mass	4pm-6pm	G3/4 
26th June - Wednesday	Year 13 Prom	7pm-11.30pm	Hilton - Manchester
29th June - Saturday	Year 11 Prom	6.45pm-11.30pm	AJ Bell Stadium 
3rd July - Wednesday	Year 7 Induction evening parents	6pm-8pm	Sports Hall
9th July - Tuesday	Key Stage 3 Awards Evening (year 7 & 8)	6pm-7.30pm	Sports Hall 
10th July - Wednesday	Key Stage 4 Awards Evening (year 9 & 10)	6pm-7.30pm	Sports Hall
15th July - Monday	End of year trips 	All day	Year 7 - Nerf (arrival back to school approx. 3.30pm) Year 8 - Blackpool Zoo (arrival back to school approx. 4.30pm) Year 9 & 10 - Blackpool Pleasure Beach (arrival back to school approx. 4.30pm)
16th July - Tuesday	Key stage 3 Sports Awards (year 7,8 & 9)	6pm-7.30pm	Sports Hall
19th July - Friday	Sports Day	All day	3G 

PRESENTING:



ETH'S

ESPORTS TEAM

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