



# St. Anthony's Girls' Catholic Academy

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Friday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Dear Parent/Carer,

We continue to have had a very positive start back to the term with excellent behaviour and attitudes from our students. In particular, we would like to commend students in Years 11 and 13, who have completed external BTec exams this week, their attitude towards these exams has been superb!

### **Covid Update**

We are continuing with our COVID-19 Schools Infection Survey (SIS2), which assesses the level of immunity to COVID-19 in school children. You will receive further information from the ONS in the coming days which will provide full details of the survey and support you in registering your child's participation. Please register your child if you are happy for them to be involved.

Students between the ages of 12 and 15 will be able to receive their second dose of the covid vaccination in school this term, you will be shortly receiving consent forms which should be returned to school by Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> January.

### **Catering Team Update**

This week in school students and staff have really enjoyed our new menu and we have also begun some initial Student Voice so that students have some direct input into our catering provision. We have already seen a significant increase in the number of students purchasing lunch and are currently working on the dining arrangements to ensure a timely service, please bear with us as we adjust our systems.

### **Year 11 Reports and Revision**

Mrs Craik, Executive Headteacher met with all Year 11 students during assembly time this week to highlight the importance of the upcoming external exams in summer term and how staff are here to support students in achieving their potential. Information was provided about revision sessions that will be commencing from Monday 17<sup>th</sup> January and we appreciate your support in ensuring your child attends.



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Staff will be providing academic and pastoral written reports for students and these will be available via e-mail from Friday 21<sup>st</sup> January. The reports will contain advice about which learning areas students need to focus on and how to make progress.

If you have any questions or would like any support, please get in touch with your child's Year Leader.

## **Year 7 Relationships and Sexual Education**

On Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> January students in Year 7 will be taking part in a series of sessions as part of our provision of the relationships and sexual health statutory curriculum. Our school is committed to ensuring all our students have support in the understanding of healthy relationships.

Students will take part in activities outside of lessons to develop their knowledge and understanding of the emotional and physical changes they are experiencing due to puberty. They will also develop their knowledge about conception, this will simply reinforce what they have learned in science and in primary level RSE. It will also compliment the PSHE education students receive in their CIAG lessons. All resources used are designed for use in a Catholic School and approved by the Catholic Education Service.

## **Bishop Chadwick Catholic Education Trust: Inspirational Teacher Award**

Please see information attached about how you and your child can nominate a member of our staff for the BCCET Inspirational Teacher Award. Deadline for entry is: Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April 2022.

## **Support for Parents/Carers coping with Adolescence and Teen Behaviour**

The Anna Freud National Centre for Children and Families are offering a number of opportunities this term for parents/carers to participate in a series of webinars and workshops. They are offering a session specifically for dads/male carers. Information has been sent to all parents/carers and is available in the Safeguarding section of our website.

## **Food Bank**

Please remember we have our own Food Bank to support any family in need. Please contact Mrs Lanaghan or Mrs Collins via Westburn Reception should you require a food parcel. This information will be treated in strictest confidence.



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