

Dear Parents/Carers

We celebrated our Year 7 to Year 10 rewards evening last night with a packed school hall full of students, their families and school staff. It was a wonderful evening that celebrated the gifts and talents of our students and it was fantastic to see so many students selected for awards by the different subject departments across the school.

Our school is full of incredible students and the challenge for teaching staff at our superb school is often only being able to select one student for each award. Congratulations to all the Award Winners last night and to all the students who work so hard in school to do the simple things well that leads them to great success. Last night we reminded the school community of our Outstanding GCSE results last year, our highly academic curriculum, and all the additional opportunities that are on offer in school and it is clear that through the determination of students and staff that all the students in school are afforded the opportunities of a great education.

I was very pleased last night to have the opportunity to thank our talented and professional school staff and our supportive parents/carers for all they do for the school and the students.

This week has also seen the appointment of our Head Boy and Head Girl, and our Deputy Head Girls and Deputy Head Boy. The selection process was very competitive this year due to the number of applications and the high quality of the students in Year 10. All the students who applied deserve recognition for the high standard of their applications and interviews. Well done and thank you to each one of them.

I am very pleased to inform you that for the next academic year the following students were appointed to these important roles:

Head Girl – **Pippa SM**

Head Boy – **Charlie G**

Deputy Head Girls - **Daisy N** and **Kaja S**

Deputy Head Boy – **Logan D**

Congratulations to these outstanding Year 10 students.

The full list of winners from rewards evening is included at the end of this letter but I must mention that we concluded rewards evening with the prestigious Headteacher's Award which is also called the Mission Statement Award because it is presented to a Year 10 student who has gone above and beyond in the contribution they have made to the school culture and Catholic ethos.

The winner of this award is an outstanding student and a well-deserved winner, congratulations to **Daisy N** who was presented with the Headteacher's Award last night.

End of Term

A reminder that the school year ends on Tuesday 23rd July, school will close at 12:15 for the start of the Summer Holidays.

The school reopens on Wednesday 4th September for all students.

Additional Sporting Activities

Well done to the Year 8 students who organised a Live Fifa Pro Clubs Match on the school pitches after school this week, it was a great occasion and lots of fun, thank you to the PE staff who facilitated and supervised the event.

Well done as well to the Year 10 Students who competed in a very competitive Year 10 sports day this week.

Artificial Pitch Bid

I am pleased to announce that thanks to the hard work of school staff over a number of years that the School has secured over £700,000 grant funding from the Premier League, The FA and Government's Football Foundation, to build a full size floodlit 3G Artificial Pitch on the school site. This project will make a huge difference to the sporting facilities available for the students and we are so excited about the future of sport here at St Thomas More RC College thanks to this investment. The project is also been supported with a £120,000 investment from Tameside Local Authority, thank you on behalf of the community to everyone involved with the bid. The project will also support local sporting organisations as the pitch will be available for hire to community groups.

Rewards Assemblies

As we near the end of term students in each Year group will have a reward assembly to celebrate the successes of the year group and individual students. Year 10 have already had their assembly as they begin work experience on Monday but it was great to see the excitement as there was a £100 Voucher prize draw for all the Platinum Badge Holders with **Harry O'C** winning the £100 prize.

The top achievement points collector in each year group also receives an automatic £50 Voucher as well as an entry into the £100 prize draw and the achievement point £50 winner was **Daisy N**.

Reminder: Year 10 Work Experience

Year 10 Work experience takes place from Monday 15th July to Friday 19th July, students should have all the details that they need for a successful week but if parents/carers have any questions or queries then please contact school to speak to Mr Wright.

Year 10 Students will return to school on Monday 22nd July in full uniform and be in normal lessons on the Monday and Tuesday, there will be one session on Monday 22nd July where students will complete a review of their work experience placement.

Reminder: Celebration Event

Monday 22nd July will be our celebration Event for students in Year 7 to 9.

As usual the day involves permission for Year 7-9 to wear appropriate non-uniform and a period of time spent on enjoyable activities on the school field such as inflatables or team sports. More details about the day will be sent in due course.

As usual Year 10 will have their celebration event next half term before they begin their Year 11 Mock exams, in previous years students have been to the cinema, gone ten-pin bowling or gone out for a meal as a year group.

*Please be aware that as usual students who are in overall negative MORE points will **not** be able to participate in school events such as this and students in negative points will not be able to take part in the celebration activities on the school field on Monday 22nd July. Students in Year 7-9 on Monday 22nd July in negative points will be able to wear appropriate non-uniform but they will complete*

appropriate learning activities inside school rather than taking part in the event on the school field during their year groups allocated time.

Top of the Achievement Points League

Well done to all the students who are getting so many positive achievement points in school, fantastic effort!!

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Year 7 Total					
Aidan F 6980	Jacob B 7620	Abbie H 7310	Ellis P 5990	Eleanor L 6220	Erin L 6540
Year 7 Weekly Winner					
Charlotte H 180	Zuzanna F 170	Abbie H 150	Ellis P 150	Aerin L 120	Erin L 120
Year 8 Total					
Miracle O 7150	Doreen A 7720	Maria B 6850	Florence S 6840	Carrie M 9310	Evie B 6980
Year 8 Weekly Winner					
Lucy M 80	Christopher M Erin C 80	Oliver D 100	William J A Finley D Isabelle P Evelyn S Oliver T 100	Carrie M 130	Ole M 160
Year 9 Total					
Olivia K 6350	Sam A 6190	Dominik C 5890	Leyton W 5890	Alice O'C 5125	Anna R 5630
Year 9 Weekly Winner					
Isla C 130	Kiara M 120	Dominik C 100	Dylan H Daniel S 100	Alice O'C 80	Anna R James H Eva P Gracie M 40
Year 10 Total					
Eid A 6470	Luca H 5220	Ben F 5940	Daisy N 7110	David W 6460	Megan T 6240
Year 10 Weekly Winner					
Eid A 40	Luca H 40	Ben F 70	Daisy N 60	Jonjo C 70	Megan T 40

Reminder Uniform (pre-loved)

We are aware that the cost of school uniform can be a significant consideration for parents/carers so last year we reviewed our school uniform policy with affordability in mind, the updated policy is available on the school website policy documents page.

For parents/carers who are finding purchasing uniform challenging we can on occasion offer financial support, but each year we go further and seek to provide good quality second hand uniform for free or a small school fund donation.

If you do have any unwanted uniform at home that is in good condition then please do consider donating it to school for redistribution, we are especially interested in blazers, jumpers, ties and school PE Kit.

Any items for donation can be brought to the school office. The Pre-Loved Uniform Event has been arranged for Friday 16th August – 9.00am to 12.00pm.

Thank you to all those that have already donated items of uniform.

Finally

Please remember that you can contact school each weekday Monday to Friday either by calling 0161 336 2743 or emailing admin@stmcollege.org.uk during normal school hours, if you do want to visit school to talk to a member of staff that can of course be arranged but do please contact school prior to your journey so that mutually convenient time and date can be arranged for an appointment.

God bless

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2024 Year of Prayer

As you may be aware in the Catholic Church 2025 has been designated as a Jubilee Year by Pope Francis with 'Pilgrims of Hope' as the theme.

The Holy Father has therefore asked that 2024 be year of prayer, as a preparatory year for the Jubilee.

Cafod Prayer of the Day

Send us, O Lord, filled with your Spirit,
equipped by your grace,
to make present your love in the world
through the witness of our lives.

Amen.

Key Parent/Carer Dates

Please note some dates particularly trips may provisional and subject to change.

Event	Date
Rewards Evening Year 10-7	11 th July 2024
Sports Day Week	15 th July to 19 th July 2024
Work Experience Week	15 th July to 19 th July 2024
Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Qualifying Expedition	19 th July to 20 th July 2024
Celebration Day	22 nd July 2024
GCSE Results Day	22 nd August 2024

Reward's Night Award Winners

Year 7	Attitude to Learning		Year 7	Achievement
Art	Alfie I		Art	Charlotte L
CPSHE	Ellis P		CPSHE	Caitlin T
English	Archie O'N		English	Darcey D
Geography	Sophia B		Geography	Zuzanna F
History	Abbie H		History	Lucy R
Computing	Erin L		Computing	Steven C
Mathematics	Isabelle P		Mathematics	Poppy S
German	Hugo S		German	Abbie H
French	Eleanor L		French	Charlotte H
Music	Thomas G		Music	Jacob B
Physical Education	Eion A		Physical Education	Aiden F
Religious Education	Iris P		Religious Education	Eleanor L
Science	Tanzil A		Science	Aidan F
Technology	Ellis P		Technology	Zuzanna F
Year 8	Attitude to Learning		Year 8	Achievement
Art	Jessica M		Art	Willow M
CPSHE	Evie B		CPSHE	Timmy S
English	Oliver D		English	Harmony W
Geography	Priyah F		Geography	Florence S
History	Lucy W		History	William J A
Computing	Oliver T		Computing	Jamie W
Mathematics	Doreen A		Mathematics	Morganna T D
German	Miracle E		German	Doreen A
French	Christopher M		French	Will H

Music	Harvey H		Music	Florence S
Physical Education	Jessica F		Physical Education	Evie B
Religious Education	Will H		Religious Education	Brooke D
Science	Lucy M		Science	Thomas H
Technology	Maria B		Technology	Ruby R
Year 9	Attitude to Learning		Year 9	Achievement
Art	Dominik C		Art	Alice O'C
CPSHE	Rehana K		CPSHE	Olivia K
English	Harry C		English	Isla C
Geography	Leyton W		Geography	Oliver H
History	Isla C		History	Jakub K
Computing	Heidi R		Computing	Sam A
Mathematics	James H		Mathematics	William T
German	Beth M		German	Phoebe S
French	Poppy W		French	Reve M
Music	Isabella B		Music	Jack R
Physical Education	Annie M		Physical Education	Harry T
Religious Education	Alice O' C		Religious Education	Jack R
Science	Ruby L		Science	Lauren L
Technology	Isabella B		Technology	Paul K
Year 10	Attitude to Learning		Year 10	Achievement
CPSHE	Lola H		CPSHE	Mia-Rose L
Art	Meida K		Art	Shayne M
English	Lexy S		English	Poppy M
Geography	Mollie R		Geography	Pippa S M
History	Megan T		History	Ethan C
Computer Science	Ben F		Computer Science	Kim F
Mathematics	Jess K		Mathematics	Amy E

Creative Media	Mollie R		Creative Media	Maddie M
German	Kaja S		German	Pippa S M
French	Ethan C		French	Megan T
Music	Max Reid		Music	Charlie G
Physical Education	Mollie R		Physical Education	Frankie D
GCSE PE	Logan D		GCSE PE	Aiden F
Sport Studies	Harry O'C		Sport Studies	Zach B
Religious Education	Harley M		Religious Education	Tom S
Physics	David W		Physics	Pippa S M
Chemistry	Jessica R		Chemistry	Amy E
Biology	Caitlyn M		Biology	Kim F
Combined Science	Flavius D		Combined Science	Kaja S
Textiles	Jess K		Textiles	Eva B
Food	Luca H		Food	Tyler C
Product Design	Kendrea O		Product Design	Rubee C
Health & Social Care	Daisy N		Health & Social Care	Cadlah B
Drama	Caoimhe D R		Drama	Max M
4C's / Mission Statement / Headteachers Award	Daisy N Year 10			
MORE Points Award				
Year 7				
Jacob B				
Abigail H				
Year 8				
Carrie M				

Chris M				
Year 9				
Olivia K				
Sam A				
Year 10				
Daisy N				
Eid A				