Dear Parents/Carers

Black History Month

October is Black History Month and is a momentous occasion to recognise and celebrate the invaluable contributions of black people to British society.

The Black History Month Website:

Describes the theme for this year's Black History Month as follows:

"Black people have always been at the forefront of social justice movements, fighting against oppression and paving the way for change. However, despite their countless contributions to society, the achievements of black women, in particular, have too often been overlooked or forgotten. That is why, this year, we will be celebrating the exceptional achievements of black women."

The title of this year's theme is "Celebrating our Sisters"

In school there have been form time activities and enrichment tasks in subjects like history to celebrate our diverse culture. Mrs McEnroe has been very impressed with the following students and their contribution to this important event saying that these students had gone the extra mile.

Well done to:

Year 7 Oliva N and Amelia F

Year 8 Isla N

Year 9 Sam A

Superb effort from these students.

Theatre Trip

This week Ms Emery took a group of Year 9 students to the theatre to watch the ground-breaking production of "The Ocean at the End of the Lane".

The students had a fantastic time and were excellently behaved, it really is a pleasure to be able to take our students on such trips as it contributes to their wider knowledge of the world which is so very important for long term success in a wide variety of areas.

Top of the Achievement Points League

I went round classes again on Friday with a little gift to reward those students in the top two places in each year groups achievement point league, the amount of points students are receiving are just phenomenal. Well done to our league leaders but also to all the students who are working so hard in school and accumulating so many points.

Year 7: **Abbie H** - 7O 930 net points and **Aiden F** – 7T 870 net points

Year 8: Maria B - 80 990 net points and Christopher M - 8H 850 net points

Year 9: Leyton W - 9M 940 net points and Dylan H - 9H 840 net points

Year 10: Daisy N – 10M 960 net points and Oliver M – 10M 830 net points

Year 11: **Annabel Mc** 11S 880 net points and **Oliva T** – 11A 840 net points

Year 11 Parents/carers: Year 11 Information Evening

Thank you to all the parents/carers who attended the Year 11 Information Evening on Monday. It was really useful to be able to provide those key messages that will help support Year 11 students over the course of this important year.

It was great to see so many parents and carers in school, thank you again and I hope you found it useful.

St Thomas More RC College Fantasy Football League

Don't forget to remind your son/daughter to make any changes to their team before the first Premier league match of the weekend on Saturday which is Luton vs Tottenham at 12:30.

We have a new league leader this week who is...... ME!!!!!!

H Brophy in with 460 points

And !!!!!

There are four winners for game week 7 because they were all so close with superb high scores, a small prize on the way to these students on Monday if they haven't received them already

Segun O -- 87 points

Logan W -- 86 points

Jay P -- 85 points

Jack K - 84 points

There is still time for students or staff to join the league.

Students just need to create a Premier League account and a team at <u>Fantasy Premier League</u>, <u>Official Fantasy Football Game of the Premier League</u> then they can join the school mini league named;

St Thomas More League

The league code is; wojosv

Alternatively, you can click on the link below to automatically join the league.

https://fantasy.premierleague.com/leagues/auto-join/wojosv

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

H Brophy