### Dear Parents/Carers

Year 9 had a Pathways Assembly this week led by Miss Taaffe to further guide the students on how they can make good choices for their Option subjects that they will study in Year 10. Year 9 are getting lots of information from subject staff about course content at GCSE and possible future pathways and careers, please do ask them to have a look at their Pathways Passport that they received at the end of Assembly.

Year 11 had additional Mock Examinations in Maths and English on Monday and Tuesday so had form time assembly instead along with Year 10.

I spoke to Year 7 and Year 8 about the importance of our school community and how vital it is that students are kind to each other so that our school can be a happy and productive place, where all students can get a great education.

# Year 9 Parents Evening

Thank you to the parents and carers who attended Year 9 Parents evening last night it was great to see so many positive messages being given about the excellent work of our Year 9 students.

Thank you as well to parents/carers for the lovely comments that we received on the feedback form, staff in school do work exceptionally hard for the students in school and their education and it is fantastic to read such positive comments in the feedback as a result.

# **Reminder Lent Charity Focus**

There are lots of activities taking placing in school as form groups try to raise as much money as possible for our "Eight is Great" Lenten Charity Drive for the Christie Cancer Hospital. Please remember that parents and carers are able to make donations if you are able through parent pay online.

# Reminder Confirmation Programme at St Mary's and St John Fisher.

### Students in Year 8 and above

The Confirmation Programme for 2025 is due to begin in St Mary's and St John Fisher Parish soon. If your child is currently in Year 8 or above and wishes to receive this Sacrament then we would like to invite you, along with them, to a short introductory meeting **on Thursday 3rd April, 7:30pm, in the hall at St Mary's, Denton**. This is to complete the necessary forms to enrol your child on the programme and lay out the timetable for the following weeks. Please register your interest with your OWN parish, either, St Mary's, Denton; Holy Family, Dane Bank; or St Joseph's, Reddish, before Thursday 27th March. The confirmation team look forward to welcoming you.

### **Reminder Careers Fair**

We are delighted to announce we are hosting our annual Careers Fair on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> March in the school hall.

We have secured an array of providers ranging from companies like Jet2.com through to local providers of apprenticeships, technical qualifications and A-Levels. This is a great opportunity to speak to industry professionals, speak with institutions first-hand and for your child to begin considering their future journey.

*This is open to all pupils and their parents and carers. It begins at 2:45pm until 3:45pm. Key Stage Four pupils will exclusively be attending the event from 1:45pm until 2:45pm.* 

## **Reminder Year 11 Revision**

This will now be the last full half term before the GCSE examinations begin in May so it is vitally important that Year 11 students are completing lots of revision at home in the evenings during the week and at the weekends. It isn't always the easiest task for Year 11 students to revise consistently and regularly at home so any support and encouragement provided by parents/carers could be crucial in securing the best possible grades for your child. Thank you for your support in this, these next few weeks are a hugely important time for Year 11 students and any sustained revision that they can do at home in the next few weeks will be a superb preparation for their exams.

Please note that the Summer 2025 GCSE Timetable is available to download on our school website and also on Satchel One.

### St Thomas More RC College Fantasy Football League.

Thomas H in Year 9 continues to sit at the top of the school league with 1887 points.

Clayton L in Year 8 wins Week 29 with 100 points

There is still time to join the league as there are weekly winners for every gameweek and there is always the chance to win the whole league and take the trophy off reigning champion Mr Turner!

Once students have created a Premier League account and a team at <u>Fantasy Premier League</u>, <u>Official Fantasy Football Game of the Premier League</u> they can join the school mini league named;

St Thomas More League

The league code is; v25n52

Alternatively, you can click on the link below to join the league. <u>https://fantasy.premierleague.com/leagues/auto-join/v25n52</u>

### St Thomas More RC College Achievement Point League

Magnificent points collecting by all our committed students week after week!

Remember that you can log into satchel one to check your child individual achievements and successes at any time as the parent page is updated daily, if you are unable to log in for any reason please contact school for help. <a href="mailto:admin@stmcollege.org.uk">admin@stmcollege.org.uk</a>

Please note: The achievement point list below is collated and calculated at approximately 11am each Friday. This can mean that sometimes students may have slightly different points totals by the end of the day on Friday which are not reflected in the figures printed. Please do rest assured though that the points total and students highlighted are accurate at the time of production of the list.

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Year 7 Total								
Valentina FN	Erin K	Ella F	Maddie D	Abigail B	Connor M			
5340	5070	4630	5790	4450	4780			
Year 7 Weekly Winner								
Valentia FN	Jason T	Mikayla C	Maddie D	Abigail B	Una L			
140	200	Ella F	210	90	220			

		Harry M 120							
Year 8 Total									
Aiden F	Albie N	Abbie H	Milena R	Charlotte L	Erin L				
5760	4300	5390	5380	5730	5630				
Year 8 Weekly Winner									
James M	Zuzanna F	Logan W	Franek S	Charlotte L	Annie W				
Darcy D	180	Abbie H	220	200	160				
210		190							
Year 9 Total									
Brooke D	Chris M	Thomas H	Iris L	Carrie M	Ole M				
6150	4910	4750	3650	4820	4640				
Year 9 Weekly Winner									
Lucy M	Jack R	Emily G	Iris L	Carrie M	Ole M				
Orla C	Erin C	Oliver D	140	140	Alfred K				
200	170	Thomas H			Erica S				
		90			130				
	Year 10 Total								
Olivia K	Jack R	Dominik C	Kaitlyn F	Harry C	Reve MM				
5860	4280	5110	5350	6210	3980				
	Year 10 Weekly Winner								
Olivia K	Finlay W	Dominik C	Lauren L	Harry C	Jakub O				
240	Harley M	220	150	210	120				
	150								
Year 11 Total									
Eid A	Caitlyn McC	Pippa SM	Daisy N	Mia Rose L	Megan T				
4350	3510	4140	5530	3990	3660				
Year 11 Weekly Winner									
Ruby S	Luca H	Max M	Daisy N	Chris S	Cadhla B				
Alex P	110	130	190	Mia Rose L	140				
Eid A				David W					
130				90					

# Finally

Please remember that you can contact school each weekday Monday to Friday either by calling 0161 336 2743 or emailing <u>admin@stmcollege.org.uk</u> 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.

Please Note: If you have an appointment to meet with a member of staff in school, then please ensure that you are on time to the meeting, on the rare occasion a parent/carer is more than 15 minutes late to a meeting then due to the busy nature of schools the meeting will be cancelled and will need to be rearranged at another time and/or date.

If you are offered an appointment time for a meeting with a member of staff in school, then please ensure that you have confirmed your attendance at the meeting in advance either verbally or in writing to prevent the meeting time being rebooked. God bless

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#### 2025 Jubilee Year for the Catholic Church

2025 has been designated as a Jubilee Year by Pope Francis with 'Pilgrims of Hope' as the theme. This week we pray for our school community!

### Prayer

### **School Community**

O Lord our heavenly Father,

We pray for our whole school community.

We thank you for each person who works and learns here.

May this school be a place of fulfilment, of hope and of happiness for each one of us.

We ask that you are with us day by day in our life together.

Help us to do our best and to care for each other,

so that all who come here feel the special nature of our community.

Amen.