

Dear Parents/Carers

It has been a very busy and successful week in school this week. When I have visited lessons on tours of the school each day, I have seen the fantastic behaviour and excellent learning that the students have been demonstrating across the school.

The students and staff have made a fantastic start to the year and I do feel very privileged to lead such highly qualified and talented colleagues and conscientious students who are working so hard to make the most of the fantastic opportunity they are being given through the excellent education we provide here at St Thomas More RC College.

Year 7 Welcome Mass

Thank you to Father Peter Hapgood-Strickland and Sister Dolores who visited school on Thursday morning to celebrate Mass for the whole of Year 7 to welcome them to our Catholic Community.

Thank you to the student readers and musicians also who made it such a lovely and prayerful occasion. As always, I was very proud to hear Father Peter praise the excellent behaviour and the wonderful manners of the students during Mass. Well done Year 7.

Tameside LA School Admissions

Time to Apply Flyer

Tameside LA have asked all school to make parents/carers aware of their Time to Apply information for application deadlines for Reception, Primary and Secondary Schools.

The poster with all the information is available on the school website on the Headteacher's Letters Page in the News Section: <https://www.stmcollege.org.uk/news/headteachers-letters>

Open Evening: Early Finish

Our Open Evening for prospective parents/carers and students will take place on **Thursday 24th September 5.00pm to 7.00pm.**

As is usual practice school will close early on the day of Open Evening (24th September) at 12:15 to facilitate the organisation that is required to open the school to many hundreds of parents/carers and their children.

Further information will be provided about buses that are available for students to travel home in on the day in due course.

Achievement Point League

The weekly Friday Achievement Point League will return as it did last year in the next two weeks to give the students a head start on collecting those valuable achievement points before we start the weekly league. Very well done to the students who have already collected so many points in just a few days of the term.

Student Spotlight

Erin K Year 9.

Well done to Erin who has been selected for a StageBox, Acting and Singing Course. StageBox assess exceptional young performers from hundreds of global applications for their courses and places are highly competitive and awarded to those who demonstrate outstanding potential, commitment, talent, and aptitude, we are so proud of Erin for gaining a place. Bravo!

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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Prayer

Lord, we pray that we may live in such a way
that we value all that is good in our lives,
and never take anyone or anything for granted.

Amen