



22nd March 2024

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Here are this week's messages.

Irish Pilgrimage Trust



Today a cheque for £250.00 was presented by the Principal to Siobhan Duffy for The Irish Pilgrimage Trust. Both our Classroom Assistant, Siobhan and Cahan (Yr. 11) will be part of a travelling party to Lourdes over the Easter break. Thank you to everyone who supported with the fundraising and best wishes to Siobhan and Cahan.



EcoDwell Team

Congratulations to our EcoDwell Team who were the winners of the "best logo" and "most fun group to talk to" categories at the TechKnow Club HTML Coding Final in W5, Belfast this week.

Our thanks to Caolan McKendry, Ambertail Games who mentored the team in preparation for the competition.



Absence

Parents/guardians are reminded that they must contact the college if their child is going to be absent from school. A lot of time is being unnecessarily spent following up with parents/guardians who have failed to report their child's absence. Thank you for support with this.

COD Jazz Festival Workshop

Thank you to Mr Doherty for organising the COD jazz festival workshop on Tuesday this week. It was a great opportunity for our pupils.

Vaping

Thank you to the PSNI who delivered talks to all of the year groups today on the impact of vaping. The talks were to help educate about vaping dangers in an attempt to encourage pupils to quit if they are currently involved in vaping. Please talk to your son/daughter about avoiding vape use and look out for warning signs of addiction like increased secrecy, devices hidden around the house, and requests for money with no explanation.



Hip Psychology

Hip Psychology are visiting the college on Monday 25th March to deliver workshops on Study Skills and Choices, to all of our Yr. 10 & Yr. 11 pupils. Thank you to Mr Ball for organising this.

Collective Worship

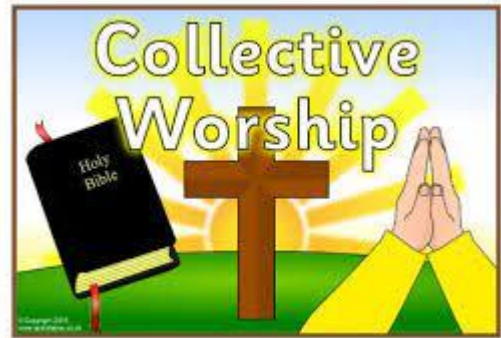
The themes for Collective Worship for the beginning of next term are as follows:

W/b Monday 8th April: 'Aspiration'

W/b Monday 15th April: 'The Annunciation'

W/b Monday 22nd April: 'St. Mark'

W/b Monday 29th April: 'Our Lady'



Key Stage 4 Maths

After school revision classes will be available weekly after Easter for Yr. 12 pupils starting on Wednesday 10th April.

Wednesday's 3.40-4.30pm in Room 2: All pupils taking M1 module only.

Thursday's 3.40-4.30pm in HE2 Room: All pupils making M6/7 module only.

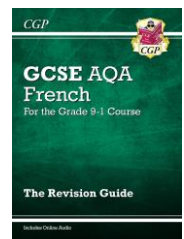
Key Stage 4 French

The GCSE French speaking examination will take place on Monday 15th April. There will be revision sessions taking place every Friday during lunch and after school on the following dates:

Wednesday 27th March 3.40-4.30pm

Wednesday 10th April 3.40-4.30pm

Friday 12th April 3.40-4.30pm



Key Stage 4 Health and Social Care

Mrs Lynch will be delivering after school revision sessions every Monday which will begin on Monday 8th April 3.45-4.45pm. Pupils will receive a revision pack to be used in school and at home.

Key Stage 4 Homework Club

A Key Stage 4 Homework club takes place in the LRC after school on a Monday and a Thursday from 3.40-4.25pm. This is a great opportunity for our pupils particularly those in Yr. 11 and Yr. 12 to remain behind after school to do revision for their public examinations in a quiet environment.

Key Dates

Some key dates:

Wednesday 27 March	Last Day of Term 2 (Full day)
Monday 8 April	Term 3 begins for pupils and staff members
Friday 12 April	GAA Blitz for Primary Schools
Friday 19 April	Year 9 Parent/Tutor Day
Thursday 2 May	60 th Anniversary Mass with the Bishop: All Welcome (<i>Chapel</i> , Time: 7.00pm)

Final Prayer

Last Sunday was the fifth Sunday of Lent which was the final Sunday before we enter Holy Week. The Gospel depicts Jesus encouraging his disciples to follow him and to give him first place in their lives. Lent is a time for reflection and putting God first, deepening our faith.

*Lord,
we praise You for the sacrifice Jesus made for us.
Help us love others the way Jesus does, unconditionally.
May we always seek to follow You, remembering the example of what Christ did for others.*

Amen.

Yours sincerely,



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