

Parent Bulletin 07/11/25

Heavenly Father,

*We thank You for bringing us together at the start of this new term.
Bless our teachers, our friends, and everyone in our school community.
Help us to work hard, to use our gifts and talents, and to support one another with kindness
and respect.*

Guide us to make good choices, to stay safe, and to grow in faith and wisdom.

May this term be filled with learning, joy, and success,

And may everything we do bring glory to You.

Amen.

Welcome Message

Welcome back to the first week of the new half term. This week, there have been a number of exciting activities taking place across the school. Year 11 students have begun their mock exams, demonstrating focus and determination. We welcomed Angela Rayner MP for a special visit, where she spoke with our School Council. This week also saw the launch of our updated mobile phone policy, aimed at supporting a more focused learning environment. Additionally, our Year 7 students came together for their Welcome Mass.

Assembly Focus

This week's assembly theme was centred around standards and expectations. As we welcomed students back after the half-term break, the focus was on ensuring everyone returned feeling refreshed and ready to learn. Staff reinforced the importance of high standards in behaviour, uniform and attitude to learning.

Year 11 Mock Exams

Year 11 pupils have made a strong start to their mock exams this week, which will continue until Friday 14th November for most subjects. Spanish speaking exams will take place separately between Monday 17th and Friday 21st November. These assessments are a vital opportunity for students to prepare for their final GCSEs and identify areas for improvement. To support their revision, pupils are encouraged to make full use of the Year 11 SharePoint folder, which contains a wide range of resources and materials provided by their classroom teachers as well as the Padlet link.

KS4 Padlet





Mobile Device Policy

This week saw the successful launch of our new mobile phone boxes across school. The initiative has already had a positive impact, with pupils reporting feeling less distracted and more focused during the school day. In a pupil voice meeting, students shared their thoughts on the change. A Year 10 pupil commented that she could “focus much more on her work,” while a Year 11 pupil noted a significant drop in distractions and described the policy as “hugely beneficial.” It’s encouraging to see such a strong and supportive response from our pupils as we continue to promote a calm and purposeful learning environment.

Visit from Angela Rayner MP

We were delighted to welcome Angela Rayner MP to school this week for a visit. During her time with us, she met with members of our School Council and spoke about her career and the importance of finding inspiration in future pathways. Pupils had the opportunity to share their interests and proudly spoke about what makes our school community so special. Pupils stated they enjoyed learning about Angela’s journey and felt inspired.

No More County Lines

Next week, we are welcoming an organisation called ‘No More County Lines’ into school to deliver important sessions to pupils across all year groups. These workshops are designed to help students understand how to protect themselves in the wider community from risks associated with organised crime, including drug-related activity and grooming. Each session is carefully tailored to be informative and age-appropriate.

Catholic Life

Year 7 Welcome Mass

Today we celebrate our Year 7 Welcome Mass at St Mary’s Church in Dukinfield. This special occasion marks an important moment in our Year 7 pupils’ journey as they continue to settle into life at secondary school. We are looking forward to sharing this celebration with our students, staff and members of the wider school community. We hope that all parents and carers who are able to attend enjoy the service.



Harvest

This half term, we are pleased to be launching our annual Harvest collections in support of a local church and food bank. We will be inviting pupils to donate essential supplies that can help families in need during the winter period. We will be sharing checklists with form groups to guide donations, and we would be grateful for any support you can offer towards this important initiative.

Retreats

The school is currently planning the Year 7 RE Retreats, which will take place later this half term. These retreats offer pupils a valuable opportunity for spiritual reflection and time away from their usual classroom routines to explore themes of faith and community. Further details will be shared with families in the coming weeks, and we look forward to supporting our Year 7 students in this enriching experience.

Attendance

Ensuring that your child attends school each day is essential to their progress and academic achievement. We thank you for your support in ensuring that your child has excellent attendance.

Best form attendance this week:

- 7 Teresa
- 8 Assisi
- 9 Assisi
- 10 Kolbe
- 11 Ward

The attendance of the whole school continues to be in line with national average.

ASAPs – Celebrating Achievement

We continue to celebrate pupil success through our All Saints Achievement Points (ASAPs) system. Pupils earn ASAPs for positive behaviour, effort, and contributions to school life. Once a pupil reaches 1,000 ASAPs, they will be awarded a Bronze Badge to recognise their achievement. The current highest score is an impressive 891, held by Oscar D in Year 9 – well done, Oscar. We are excited to see who will be the first to reach 1,000 ASAPs this year!

Some of our star pupils this week are:

- Daisy B - 7 Teresa
- Zoey T - 8 Carlo Acutis
- Jack J - 9 Assisi



- Ahmad M - 10 Assisi
- Emily B - 11 Ward

Well done everyone!

Save the dates:

- **Carol Concert - Thursday 11th December 2025**
- **Options Evening - 5th February 2026**

Final message

Thank you for your continued support. Have a wonderful weekend.

Best wishes,

Ms Gilligan