



The Friday Letter

Dear Parents/Carers,

Our Year 11 students are now embarking on the final GCSE and BTEC examinations. I am sure that all of us can remember how stressful and worrying this intense period of important examinations was when we were taking our examinations. As a school community our prayers and thoughts are with all of them and we wish them well.

On Wednesday and Thursday this week our year 11 Art students sat their final 10 hour exam and I am pleased to hear from our staff about how well prepared they were and how well they focused throughout the exam. Well done!

Absence Calls


Please remember to call the school office on 0121 360 6383 ext:1133 before 09:30am on each day your child is absent from school. Our Safeguarding Policy states we MUST know where all the children are each day they are absent, this includes absences for illness and any medical appointments. Your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated.

Year 8 Retreat to The Briars



On Wednesday 29th April, 23 Year 8 students embarked upon a trip to 'The Briars Retreat Centre in Derbyshire. The trip was shared with 32 Students from De Lisle School, Loughborough and was led by a team of 10 young adults who lead games, discussions, prayers, walks and mass. All of these activities were done in small groups where students spent time with people they might not spend time with in school. It was a lovely opportunity to take time out of our daily lives and to reflect on different aspects of our life and who we are. Throughout the time there, the students were able to build confidence, self-esteem and a personal relationship with God. Our students thoroughly enjoyed their time there with each student having a unique experience - Jack Cassidy said "My favourite thing on the trip was Mass because everyone was relaxed and it was calm and everyone had a chance to think about their faith" whereas Conor Kirby said "My favourite part was our affirmation service where it was peaceful and calm and

everyone got a chance to hear about how amazing they are and all the talents they have.”
We are all hoping to return next year!

Dates for your diary	
Week beginning 8 th May - Year 8 Test Week	
Tue 19 th to Fri 22 nd May - Kenelm Trust Retreat Yr10	
Week beginning 25 th May – Half-term	
Week beginning 1 st June - Year 7 Test Week	

Have a great weekend.

Yours sincerely,

Christina Stewardson

Superstar of the week

Erica Vicente (7W2)

for always working really hard and for all her improvement in English.

Nominated by Miss Bygrave

Subject:	Person and Reason:	Class	Nominated by:
Physical Education	KS3: Courtney Steele for superb leadership in Challenge PE	Challenge	Mr Matthews
	KS4: Charlie Bath for a massive improvement in his GCSE Theory Mock.	Yr 9 GCSE	
Maths	KS3: Caitlin Smith for consistent attitude to learning.	7W2	Mr Badmos
	KS4: Liam Delaney for a consistently excellent attitude to learning.	10W	Mr Ives
English	KS3: Tia Benjamin , for excellent effort, listening, and questioning.	7W2	Mr Allen
	KS4: Mya Ying , for thoughtful poetry responses.	9C	Miss Hennessy
Science	KS3: Sapphire Allen - continued hard work and excellent attitude in lessons	7W2	Mrs Riley
	KS4: Mariam Amjadi - A fabulous homework revision poster on crude oil.	9C	Miss Patterson
Media	KS4: Petra Chinyere for an outstanding Music Video analysis.	10Med	Miss Easthope

R.E.	KS3: Dylan Green for being so enthusiastic and encouraging his classmates during mass preparation.	7W2	Miss Grattidge
History	KS3: Chloe Darby , for consistently working hard in lessons and showing maturity in her attitude to learning.	8w2	Miss Mcnamara
	KS4: Connor Campbell , for showing excellent effort in his controlled assessment	10	
Geography	KS3: Abby Conlon - Fantastic attitude in Geography	7ew	Mrs Biddle
	KS4: Oliver Callaghan - A fantastic improvement and excellent test score	9opt 2	
Drama	KS3: Tyler Prosser - for always trying his best in his Drama lessons.	7W2	Mr Kearns
	KS4: Konnie Slattery - for her commitment in rehearsals and Drama lessons.	9op4	
Spanish	KS3: Torrion Webber for pushing herself to achieve her very best with her speaking presentation. Well done.	8E2	Mr Beckett
	KS4: Liam Matthews for achieving 37/40 in his GCSE Reading Paper	9C	Mrs Gatton
LSC - Numeracy	KS4: Jay Donnelly for a brilliant attitude to learning	10Ne	Mr Darby
LSC - Literacy	KS3: See Superstar of the Week		
Chaplaincy	KS3: Connor Kirby for being such an outstanding student whilst on the Briars Retreat. Well done Connor!	Year 8	Miriam Gannon
	KS4: Jordan Booker for always being so helpful and smiley.	Year 9	Lucy Hurley