

"The Lord Jesus said, "Come to Me, all you that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." (Matthew 11:28)

Friday, 27 October 2023

Dear Parent(s), carer(s) and students,

My sincere apologies that it has been three weeks since I last wrote. My intention is always to write to you every fortnight but a small accident and fractured radial head in my arm got the better of me by the end of the last week and I just didn't have a letter in me.

As you might imagine there has been much going on in school in that time, one of the highlights being an in school retreat for Year 7 on Tuesday of this week. Dan and Emily from <u>One Life Music</u> (<u>One Life Music</u> - <u>Facebook</u>) led their annual retreat on the theme of "I belong" and a day of reflection, prayer and building on our culture of belonging, as well as reflecting on the last few months, since joining the Hagley family, and on their hopes and dreams for the future and who God is calling them to be. Once again Dan and Emily gave the students the most wonderful day and we are eternally grateful to them for their support of us and our school community.

Family Mass

On Thursday 19th October we welcomed over 200 to the Annual Family Mass. The Mass is a celebration of the Hagley family, and the readings and music were led so confidently by many of our Year 7 students. Following Mass, the Year 12 students going to Lourdes in May 2024 served refreshments, raising over £155 towards their pilgrimage fund. Thank you to everyone who donated.

If you wish to contribute to the Lourdes pilgrimage fund, you may like to consider joining the 200 club. Numbers cost £3 per month, or £36 per year, with two numbers being drawn each month. First prize is £100, and second prize is £50. All profits from the 200 club support the Lourdes pilgrimage fund.

If you would like to join the 200 club, this can be done via ParentPay, or please contact Mrs Kirk (<u>ckirk@emmausmac.com</u>) for further information.

DJ required

The students going to Lourdes next May would like to organise a charity disco in school for one of our year groups and were wondering if there is a parent, or if anyone knows someone, who might be prepared to support such an event. If you think you can help or know someone who can, please contact Mr Miastowski at <u>rmiastowski@emmausmac.com</u>.



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Breast Cancer 'Wear it Pink'

Last Friday, many staff and students donned pink ties, socks and other fashion items in support of Breast Cancer's Wear it Pink Day. Thank you to everyone who contributed, raising £156.46 and awareness for this important cause.

Parish Mass

After half-term, Hagley students and staff will be joining the parish of Our Lady and All Saints Catholic Church in Stourbridge at the 5pm Mass on Saturday 18th November. The Mass is being offered for the Hagley family past and present and is poignant as it falls on the 30th anniversary of the minibus accident. All are welcome to join us.



Fundraiser for the Little Princess Trust

At the heart of our school are our virtues and values and this half term we have focused on being **grateful and generous** and challenged each of us to live this out. Oscar in Year 7 is a living example of this and on Tuesday 30th October he is getting all of his hair cut off for charity to support the Little Princess Trust (littleprincesses.org.uk) who make wigs from donated hair for children who have lost their hair due to cancer treatment. If you would like to suport Oscar you can do so via his just giving page at this link: <u>Iwona</u> Croft is fundraising for Little Princess Trust (justgiving.com)

Thanks in advance for anything you can donate.

Tutoring

Our former Head Girl, Molly, currently studying medicine at Sheffield University is offering virtual tutoring. If anyone is interested please contact my PA, Mrs Taylor, (<u>principalpa_hchs@emmausmac.com</u>) and we will put you in touch with Molly.

Vacancies

We do currently have vacancies to work at Hagley and have adverts out for a Site Officer, Learning Support Assistant and Exam Invigilators. You can find more info at this link: <u>Emmaus Catholic Multi Academy - Vacancies</u> and if you do know anyone who might be interested please do point them in our direction.



6th Form Café!

Coming soon!

6th November!

Serving Hot Foods, Drinks, Desserts & Snacks in the 6th form Common Room

Break & Lunch times!

Sixth Form Cafe

After half term we will be finally opening our Sixth Form Café in the Sixth Form Common Room, serving drinks, hot meals, snacks and desserts at break and lunch times.

In the coming weeks our caters AiP will be working with the Sixth Form Committee to develop the menu and to collaborate on the branding.



That just leaves me to wish you all every blessing, to thank you for your support this half term and to wish you a wonderful week ahead. We look forward to seeing all the students back in school on Monday 6th November.

Yours sincerely

Mr J Hodgson Principal

Forthcoming Events and Calendared items

Autumn 2:

06th November - Autumn Term 2 begins 10th November - Y7 Briars Retreat 10th November - Y10 autumn reports issued 13th November - Y11 PPEs begin 23rd November - Y13 Parent's Evening (Virtual) 24th November - Y9 autumn reports issued 27th November - Y13 PPE's begin 01st December - Y8 autumn reports issued 15th December - Y7 & Y12 autumn reports issued 15th December - Y13 PPE results issued 19th December - Y11 PPE results issued 21st December - Christmas Mass 22nd December - Break up for Christmas