



**HAGLEY CATHOLIC
HIGH SCHOOL**
SEMPER FIDELIS

“Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.” Matthew 28:19

Friday 10 September 2021

Dear Parent(s)/Carer(s) and students

It really is lovely to be able to write you all again after the summer break and the start of the new academic year, but equally to welcome our new Year 7 families to my fortnightly letters.

This week’s staggered return to school has gone very smoothly and I would like to thank you for your patience and understanding in supporting this so that Year 7 got the personalised induction they needed, and the Asymptomatic Testing Site could run smoothly.



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by living and learning in Christ.”

As you might expect I have held assemblies with all year groups (with the exception of Year 13) this week and in these assemblies, we have talked about the importance of the virtues and values of Hagley and the culture that makes our school the special place of learning, faith and family that it is.

We discussed the culture of POWERful learning and behaviour that we want every member of our community to be part of. A POWER that is built around being Positive, Organised, Willing, Effective and Respectful. In eliciting these learning behaviours I am confident that that students will maximise their opportunities and potential to be their very best self, demonstrating their desire to be a valued and dedicated learner and member of our Hagley family each and every day.

In building this POWERful culture I reminded the students of the power placed on the disciples of Christ at Pentecost when charged with making “disciples of all nations” and the responsibility they were given to make the Church what we know it is today. It is from such small seeds that greatness grows, and we are all charged with the same task at Hagley to ensure it remains the most amazing school that we know it is, always striving to be its best self and a little bit better each and every day.

Students will live out their faith by being:

- Hopeful/faith-filled
Attentive/discerning
- Wise/learned
- Generous/grateful
Eloquent/Truthful
- Curious/Active
- Compassionate/loving

Positive
Organisation
Willing
Effective
Respectful

Students will demonstrate these qualities to be a POWERful Hagley Learner:

- Be attentive/ready
- Have pride in work
- Arrive on time
- Have all equipment
- Completed all homework
- Have eaten/drunk/toileted
- Sit up/be ready to learn
- Follow instructions
- Complete all activities
- Ask and answer questions
- Track the speakers
- Be the best me
- Do not fidget with equipment
- Listen to others
- Follow instructions

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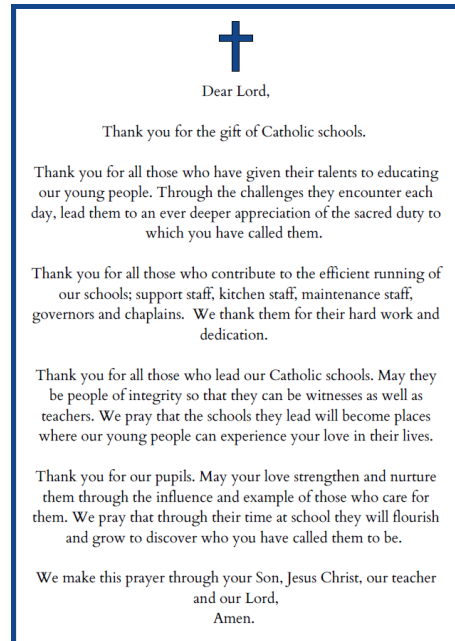
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Lateral Flow Device Testing

As mentioned, on our return to school this week all consenting students have had two LFD tests at our Asymptomatic Testing Site. This additionally burdensome logistical operation has gone very well in no small part thanks to the attitude and behaviour of the students but also the fabulous team of school staff and volunteers who have worked to operate our site, my very public thanks goes out to them all. Students have now been sent home with a home test pack of seven tests (Years 8, 9 and 10 on Monday). Students are again encouraged to take two tests per week (Sundays and Wednesdays) and record their results via the links at the top of our website that can be found [here](#).

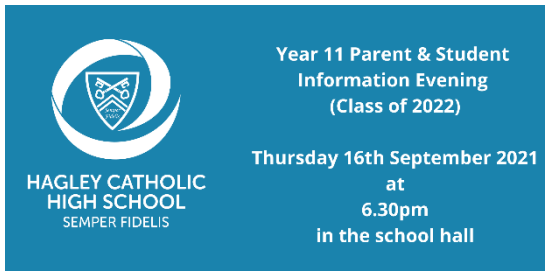
Education Sunday

This Sunday is Education Sunday, and the adjacent prayer card has been shared with all Diocesan schools. I hope you might find time recite this prayer over the weekend.



Parent and Student Information Evenings

Last night we had our first parent and student information evening with our new Year 12s, the first such meeting since February 2020. It was fabulous to have our extended family with us in school again and set out our stall for the two years ahead of KS5 study. I am pleased to report that our numbers have increased this year by 15% and is a really positive indication of the fabulous post 16 provision at Hagley. However we are always happy to welcome more students and our admission window remains open should you know anyone who might be interested.



A reminder that next Thursday is Year 11 Parent and Student Information Evening. This event is a booking only event and tickets are still available at the following link [Year 11 Parent & Student Information Evening booking link](#). We look forward to seeing you on Thursday to advise you of all matters to ensure success in the year ahead.

Summer Works

Over the summer we have had extensive works done to the school to renovate classrooms, provide a new staffroom, create a Sixth Form block and improve the signage around the site.

This investment in our school infrastructure and the facilities available to our students and staff is further indication of our commitment to providing the very best for our community and I do hope you and the students like the improvements.



Open Day

This week we have also launched our Open Morning for admissions in 2022 and the flyer below is now on our website and social media, and is being sent out to all feeder and local primaries in the coming days. If you know anyone interested in a Year 7 place for September 2022, please do let them know.

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OPEN MORNING

Saturday 9th October 2021 9:00am-12:30pm

We will be offering personal tours of the school site, an opportunity to hear from the Principal and staff, try out some of our facilities and discover the wonderful education that is awaiting you and your child, as part of the Hagley family.

Tours must be pre-booked via Eventbrite at: <https://tinyurl.com/4m8ns695>

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EMMAUS
CATHOLIC MAC

This is your personal invitation to join us at Hagley Catholic High School for our annual Open Morning on **SATURDAY 9TH OCTOBER 2021** from 9:00am to 12:30pm

Hagley is a Catholic school, totally universal in its approach, with the very highest levels of academic achievement, behaviour, progress and pastoral care.

We encourage applications from students of all faiths and backgrounds.

Hagley Catholic High School is part of Emmaus Catholic Multi Academy Company, a family of 10 schools.

Set in the village of Hagley adjacent to the train station with excellent transport links through Dudley, Sandwell, Birmingham and Worcestershire.

Why not make joining the Hagley family your choice for the next exciting stage of your educational journey

More details at www.hagleyrc.worcs.sch.uk/admissions

Ofsted Good Provider

Data Sheets

Thank you to all new Year 7 parents who have returned their data collection sheets to ensure accurate school records, if you still have these at home, please get them back to us in the coming week as a priority. Next week we will also be sending home data collection sheets for all other years that might not have received them in the summer term.

Drinks and Water Bottles

Please be aware that we do not permit energy drinks on site, and these will be confiscated from students who have them, especially when they are clearly marked "not suitable for children". Around the school site we have 5 water cooler fountains for students use and they must bring a water bottle to refill as we do not provide paper cups.

Communication

A reminder to all parents and carers that we have several forms of communication to keep you up to date with all that is going on at Hagley. Please do make sure you have the ClassCharts App on your mobile device or computer. Here you can see your child's attendance, timetable, house and behaviour points and receive notifications from school and teachers. ClassChart log ins for Year 7 students and parents will be sent out to in the coming week. If you have lost your log in, please do contact reception for it.

We are also very active on Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/hagleyrc>) and Twitter (@_HCHS) so please do follow us and make sure your email is up to date at school as this is our most common form of communication.

Free School Meals

I am very aware that the current climate will have put some of our family's jobs and livelihoods at risk. I do very much hope that this is not the case but do expect that sadly some of you may have lost your jobs. If this is the case, you may now qualify for additional support for your child through the Free School Meal scheme and regardless of which area/authority you live in you can apply for this scheme via this link: http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/info/20062/schools/684/applying_for_free_school_meals

Please remember that if you do qualify but your child does not want the free meal it is important you still apply, as additional funding comes into school to help us provide a better education for your child and all Hagley students.

Extra-Curricular Clubs and Timetables

Finally this week, I am delighted to be able to announce a more comprehensive range of extra-curricular activities than we have been able to offer in the past 18 months. Last night it was wonderful to see over 100 boys on the field for the Year 7 and 8 boys football team trials and at the end of the letter is a list of all the sports opportunities available this term with more to come. Next week Mr Button launches Warhammer Club and students should meet on Tuesday lunchtimes in L1 if interested. While there is further information about our Chaplaincy group provision below too. In the coming weeks more extra-curricular opportunities will be on offer from the likes of Music, Performing Arts, Computing and more.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

With every good wish.

Yours sincerely



Mr J Hodgson

Principal

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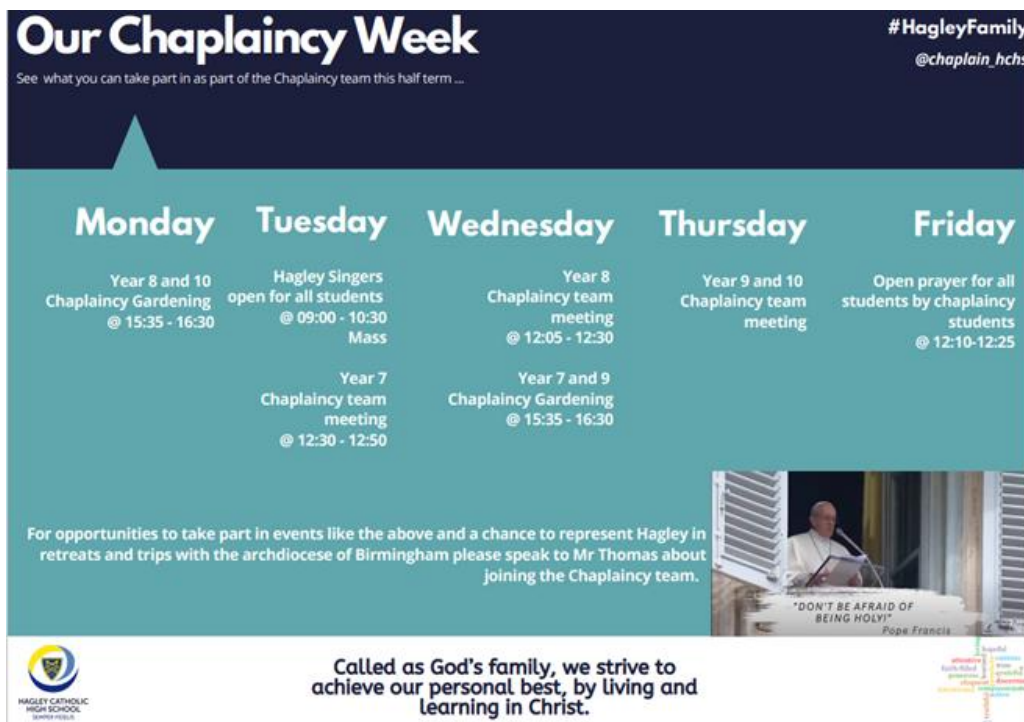
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Dates for your diary:

Thursday 16th September 2021 - Year 11 Parent and Student Information Evening

Thursday 7th October 2021 - Year 7 "Meet the Tutor" Parents Evening

Friday 8th October 2021 - School closed for Teacher Training Day




Our Chaplaincy Week
See what you can take part in as part of the Chaplaincy team this half term ...

#HagleyFamily
@chaplain_hchs



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Year 8 and 10 Chaplaincy Gardening @ 15:35 - 16:30	Hagley Singers open for all students @ 09:00 - 10:30 Mass	Year 8 Chaplaincy team meeting @ 12:05 - 12:30	Year 9 and 10 Chaplaincy team meeting @ 12:05 - 12:30	Open prayer for all students by chaplaincy students @ 12:10-12:25
	Year 7 Chaplaincy team meeting @ 12:30 - 12:50	Year 7 and 9 Chaplaincy Gardening @ 15:35 - 16:30		

For opportunities to take part in events like the above and a chance to represent Hagley in retreats and trips with the archdiocese of Birmingham please speak to Mr Thomas about joining the Chaplaincy team.



"DON'T BE AFRAID OF BEING HOLY"
Pope Francis

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SPORT & PE CLUBS – HALF TERM 1

Lunchtime Sports Clubs					
	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
Monday	Table tennis (Gym)	Table tennis (Gym) Girls Basketball/Volleyball (Sports hall)	Table tennis (Gym) Girls Basketball/Volleyball (Sports hall)	Table tennis (Gym) Girls Volleyball (Sports hall)	Table tennis (Gym) Girls Volleyball (Sports hall)
Tuesday				Boys Basketball/Volleyball (Sports hall)	Boys Basketball/Volleyball (Sports hall)
Wednesday		Girls Netball (Courts)	Girls Netball (Courts) Badminton (Sports hall)	Badminton (Sports hall)	Badminton (Sports hall)
Thursday	Trampolining (Gym)	Boys Basketball/Volleyball (Sports hall)	Boys Basketball/Volleyball (Sports hall)	Girls Netball (Courts)	Girls Netball (Courts)
Friday	Girls Netball (Sports hall)	Trampolining (Gym)	Trampolining (Gym)	GCSE/A-Level PE Intervention (E5)	GCSE/A-Level PE Intervention (E5)

Please note: Lunchtime clubs run from 12.10pm-12.50pm. Pupils must bring a packed lunch to eat in the PE department prior to the club and change into their Hagley PE kit to take part.

Afterschool Sports Clubs & Fixtures					
	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
Monday					
Tuesday	Boys Football Matches		Boys Rugby 'Come and Play' (SRFC)		
Wednesday				NEA Sports Club (Sports hall)	NEA Sports Club (Sports hall)
Thursday		Boys Football Matches		Boys Rugby 'Come and Play' (SRFC)	
Friday					

Please note: Boys' rugby 'come and play' events will start w/c 4th October 2021 at SRFC. Boys' football matches run in a league format which starts w/c 13th September 2021. Please visit the Halesowen and Stourbridge Schools Football website for more information. Team sheets will be shared each week giving details of the fixture. School sports clubs are held at Hagley and will run from 3.45pm – 5.00pm. Girls' fixtures will be added following the Dudley School Sport Association meeting on 17th September 2021.