

Our Lady and St Chad Catholic Academy

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Dear Parents and Students,

Thank you for being part of our Catholic community at Our Lady and St Chad Catholic Academy during this academic year.

There have been many individual successes that I hope you have shared. Students have moved up into their new academic year group, beginning work for September with great maturity.

Further academic success has been shared at Post-16 with Our Lady and St Chad being placed in the top ten in England and Wales for results in the Sixth Form.

This same national recognition is currently being celebrated by the Academy's Elite Dance Group who are now not only West Midlands Champions, but Champions of England and Wales after winning the national schools dance competition 'The Great Big Dance Off'.

During recent months, these academic and wider curriculum achievements have also included:

- Best ever Music Tour to Italy.
- Pilgrimage to Lourdes.
- Winners of two out of three National Enterprise Challenge awards.
- Student Leaders acknowledged across the country.
- Maths success at the United Kingdom Mathematics Trust Maths Challenge.
- ❖ 160 further students passing their Peer Mentor training with high praise.
- Black Country Games Champions in handball and dodgeball.
- City Rounders Champions.
- Winners of the regional Public Speaking Competition at Princethorpe College good luck to Dylan at the National Finals this summer.

The talents of students, staff and families have been rewarded with some phenomenal achievements this year.

That said, it is the day-to-day successes in the classroom and the incredible display of our core values; Truth, Justice, Charity, Forgiveness, Respect and Peace that are the heart of the school.













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Our students break up for their summer holidays on **Friday 22nd July 2016** at **12:30pm**. It is hugely important that students attend on this day to ensure they receive key information for the new school year in September.

Students return to school as follows:

Tuesday 6th September - Year 7 and Post-16 interviews Wednesday 7th September - Year 7, Year 11 and Post-16

Thursday 8th September - All years.

Please be reminded that we are a cashless school from September. Therefore, bus tickets, uniform and PE kit can only be purchased online via www.olsc.org (school shop). School meals accounts will need to be topped up using ParentPay.

I would like to take this opportunity to publically thank our staff; so many work with resilience, professionalism, kindness, an incredible passion and a tireless determination.

We wish two long standing members of our community, Mr A Harris and Mrs A Starr a happy and healthy retirement and thank them for years of commitment.

Finally, thank you to all families for working together with staff and leaders at Our Lady and St Chad Catholic Academy.

We care deeply about our young people and are proud of their gifts and talents.

With one more week of hard work remaining, may we take this opportunity to wish you a safe and happy summer.

Kindest wishes and prayers,

Miss T H L Ellis Principal

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