



St Thomas More Catholic School Parents' Newsletter

13 September 2019

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Monday, 16 September 2019

- Year 11 Mass (09:10-10.10)

Tuesday, 17 September 2019

- Year 12 & 13 Mass (09:10-10.10)

Wednesday, 18 September 2019

- Year 10 Mass (09:10-10.10)
- Parents' Meeting - Spanish Trip (17:00-17:30)
- Duke of Edinburgh Award Parent Information Evening (18:00-19:00)

Thursday, 19 September 2019

- Year 13 English Trip to Settings in Mrs Dalloway

Friday, 20 September 2019

- Duke of Edinburgh Award (Bronze) Induction Meeting

BOYS' FOOTBALL

The Year 7 team have been preparing for their first game of the season as they look to dominate the Haringey football league this year. The new cohort are fortunate enough to have Tottenham Academy player Shakil Nicolaou and Watford Academy player Kaleve Maxwell to lead the line. The boys have been training this week to prepare for their first game of the season against Fortismere.

CLUBS

All sports clubs have commenced this week for all year groups. Pupils are encouraged to attend.

REFLECTION ON GOSPEL READING: LUKE 14:25-33 CONSIDER THE COST

The people in the large crowd that Jesus addressed in today's Gospel were deeply committed to loving and honouring their parents. That's why Jesus' words must have been shocking to them saying that they must turn from their parents (some translations even say "hate"). The point Jesus wanted to make was that nothing, not family nor possessions, could interfere with a person's choice to follow Jesus. Followers of Jesus were to carefully calculate their commitment. Jesus meticulously helped them understand this process by comparing it to a builder who carefully planned out the structure to be built before breaking ground or to a military leader who calculated the size of his army versus the opponent's. The follower must be willing to pay the price of discipleship before making the choice so that he/she doesn't quit the commitment.

Prayer

Lord, help us to follow you always, and give us the strength to carry on when we are struggling. Help us to make the effort to do things God's way, so we will be able to share in your glory at the end of time. Amen.

Words of the Week

Monday – Teeming – Verb- Be full of or swarming with.

Tuesday – Concur - Verb- Be of the same opinion; agree; happen or occur at the same time; coincide.

Wednesday – Laborious– Adjective- Requiring considerable time and effort.

Thursday – Recuperate– Verb- Recover from illness or exertion; regain.

Friday –Resonate- Verb- Produce or be filled with a deep, full, reverberating sound; to be filled with a particular quality.

INTRODUCTION

We would like to welcome the New Year 7 group and our new Sixth Formers. We hope they have both settled in well to St Thomas More life.

SPLENDID PRODUCTIONS

The GCSE and A-Level Drama pupils watched a performance of Dr Faustus and then took part in workshops with Splendid Productions. This was an excellent opportunity to gain experience of live theatre and introduced the pupils to a number of new performance skills.

