

# NEWSLETTER



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The Chapel is open to all pupils for private prayer at 8.10am and at lunchtimes. Mass is on Friday at 13.55pm.

## THEME OF THE WEEK – BEING A CHRISTIAN

The Catholic school has been called 'an oasis'; a place, in the desert of this world, where people can experience the loving care and values taught by Jesus. Often, in our cities, life is hard and dangerous but the Catholic school should strive to be a community where there are different, higher values; where each unique God-loving individual is accepted, or it isn't Christian and Catholic.

## GCSE RESULTS

Congratulations to all our students who left in year 11 last year and all those still in years 8 -11 who passed GCSE examinations. St. Monica's continues it's rising trend for the twelfth year in a row. Students in year 11 achieved a record 94% 5A\*-C and 76% 5A\*-C including English and Maths. 15% of students (32) achieved 9 or more A\*/A grades.

The younger students in the school were not to be outdone. 190 students, as young as year 7, entered GCSE examinations early in Polish, Italian, Mandarin, French, Science, ICT and Performing Arts, recording a staggering 100% A\*-C pass rate.

## HOLIDAY PATTERN 2010/11

TERM	CLOSE	OPEN
START OF NEW SCHOOL YEAR		WEDNESDAY 1 SEPTEMBER 2010
AUTUMN HALF TERM	FRIDAY 22 OCTOBER 2010	MONDAY 1 NOVEMBER 2010
CHRISTMAS	FRIDAY 17 DECEMBER 2010	TUESDAY 4 JANUARY 2011
SPRING HALF TERM	FRIDAY 18 FEBRUARY 2011	MONDAY 28 FEBRUARY 2011
EASTER (inc. May Bank Holiday)	FRIDAY 15 APRIL 2011	TUESDAY 3 MAY 2011
SUMMER HALF TERM	FRIDAY 27 MAY 2011	TUESDAY 7 JUNE 2011
SCHOOL CLOSURES FOR SUMMER	FRIDAY 15 JULY 2011	

**MONDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> JUNE INSET DAY**

## SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Information sheets about the SVP group can be obtained from Mrs Crutchley in room 19. There will be a meeting for year 10 students who would like to become members of the Saint Monica's Saint Vincent de Paul society in room 19, Friday 10th September, 3.05 pm.

*Mrs Crutchley*

## PARKING

Could we remind all parents who collect children at the end of the school day not to park in the school entrance or in the bus stops. This compromises the Health and Safety of our pupils and carries a fine. If you are collecting pupils by car, please arrange to collect pupils at a location a little further away from the school or after 3.10 when most pupils have left. Thank You

## PFTA MEETING AND AGM

The first PFTA meeting of the year and the AGM will be held at 6.00pm in school on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> September in school all Parents welcome.

