

9 February 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this finds you well.

This half-term has passed by rapidly and thank you for your continued partnership in all that we have achieved together. Please find below some important dates and information:

### **Denominational Inspection (Section 48 Inspection)**

The Academy was inspected for two days, Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> and Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February. As you will be aware outcomes of the inspection are a matter of confidentiality until the publication of the report. I expect to receive the report during the final week of February and I will share it with all parents. The purpose of a section 48 inspection is to inspect the quality of the Catholic life of the Academy which involves relationships, behaviour and the personal development of students, the quality of Catholic worship in the Academy and the quality of teaching in Religious Education. Effectively, the inspection is a judgement on the ethos of the Academy and as such this is of crucial importance to all of us as it is a judgement on our very identity.

I am delighted and very proud of our students and staff who warmly welcomed the inspectors and demonstrated St Michael's at its very best and I hope this is reflected in the outcomes in the report.

### **Acting Assistant Principal**

I am very pleased that Mrs Carey has been appointed as Acting Assistant Principal and therefore she joins the senior leadership team of the Academy.

### **Parental Newsletter**

We are about to launch our new newsletter to parents which will be issued every half-term and is produced by a large team of student reporters. We are very thrilled by their work and all parents will receive a copy after half-term.

### **Important Dates**

- **Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2018 from 4:00-6:30pm:** Year 10 Parents' Evening
- **Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2018 from 4:00-6:30pm:** Year 8 Parents' Evening
- **Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2018 from 4:00-6:30pm:** Year 7 Parents' Evening
- **Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> June 2018 at 5:30pm:** Year 8 Curriculum Parents' Information Evening

### **End of Term Arrangements**

Please note that the Academy closes for the Easter holiday on Holy Thursday, 29<sup>th</sup> March at 12.30pm. The bus companies have been informed of this amendment.



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I am very proud of the many achievements of our students this half-term and thank them for their hard work and contribution to our ethos.

With all good wishes,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Andrew Ramsey". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the end of the name.

**Andrew Ramsey**  
**Principal**