



St. Joseph's School and Sixth Form

Becoming fully human in Christ

24th September 2021

Dear Parents and Guardians,

The first few weeks of our new school year have gone very well. Students have settled into school and, in spite of increased COVID measures, we have been able to hold a growing range of activities. Training and even competitive games are up and running in football and netball, and we are also opening up lunchtime clubs (e.g. maths and languages). Hopefully, we will soon have a full range of activities available.

Our new Year 7 students have been amazing! Collectively, they've gained over 7,700 achievement points. This is unprecedented. Mrs Johnston has asked me to make special mention of Ioan, Oliver and Abbysek who have earned over 100 points apiece! I have also heard that Isabella has been chosen for County Netball trials next week and Amira has had a letter from 10 Downing Street after raising her concerns about the refugees from Afghanistan. Very impressive indeed! Head of Year, Mrs Johnston says: "So many new, wonderful friendships being formed - they are a wonderful year group!"

From our youngest students to our most senior ones: congratulations to Antoni, Ffion, Jacob, Lewis, Michal, Orakanya and Shannon! They have successfully completed the *Step-up to Swansea* course at Swansea University. This is a unique opportunity for these Science students who will be guided during their participation by Ms. Williams.



Finally, you may have heard of outline plans for a national vaccination programme for 12-15 year-olds. I have sent you separate correspondence about this, which is all we know at the moment. I will, of course, keep you informed as soon as we receive any information specific to our school.

Thank you for your continued support.

Best wishes,

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