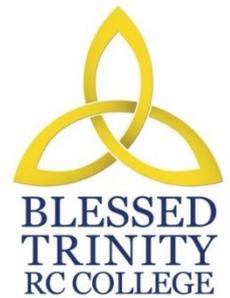


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12 December 2016

Dear Parent



As the Christmas season draws closer, may I take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support for the work we are undertaking at Blessed Trinity. It seems a long time ago now, but in August we celebrated another excellent set of GCSE results and recognised the achievements of our ex-pupils at Senior Awards Evening last month. We welcomed our new starters in Year 7 in September and it is fair to say they have settled-in extremely well! They, along with our older pupils, contribute greatly in making our school such the vibrant community it is.

Advent

Already in the season of Advent, all year groups have celebrated their Advent Mass, either in school or at St. Mary's Parish church. Further to this, we have been invited to participate in the Silent Night Community Carol Service, organised by Churches Together. It will take place on **Thursday 15 December from 6:30pm – 7:30pm** at the Elite Training Centre, Turf Moor, Burnley Football Club. Doors open from 6:15pm so please join with us as we celebrate the wonder of Christmas in readings and in music. It promises to be a magical event featuring performances from our pupils.

Christmas Parcels

Once again we are seeking your support in donating goods to make up Christmas food parcels for the needy and vulnerable in the community. This year these will be distributed through the food bank. Our pupils will be calling on some elderly people, who would welcome a visit at Christmas, with a card and chocolates.

Progress Evenings

Following very positive feedback, we will continue to hold our Parental Progress Evenings at Burnley Football Club. So far this year, two have been held for Year 11 and Year 9. Many thanks to those of you have taken the time to complete our parental questionnaires, the results of which have been very positive and can be viewed on our school website.

Holidays

Also available on the school website is the holiday pattern for the 2017-2018 academic year which has now been approved by Governors. Paper copies are available from pupil reception if required.

End of Term

The last day of term, Wednesday 21 December 2016, is a non-uniform day and pupils can donate £1 for this privilege. All monies raised will go to CAFOD. School will close at 12.30 pm and buses have been arranged for this early finish. School will re-open for all pupils on **Thursday 5 January 2017 at 8.45 am**.

May I wish you and your families a very Merry Christmas and a healthy and Happy New Year. Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R. M. Varey'.

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