

TRINITY CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

(Science and Sports College)

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Letter [L]

13th January 2017

Dear Parents & Students,

I do hope you all had a very pleasant Christmas vacation. I wish you and yours every happiness and success for the New Year.

1. On behalf of myself and my children, I would like to thank all members of our school community for the cards, condolences and good wishes that we received following the death of my beloved wife Carla. I was also deeply touched by the very generous donations to our Henrietta Fund at Trinity which caters for families in need. We shall be confirming the final figure in due course. Many of the donations were via Parentpay whilst I am doing my level best to issue receipts for those who gave cash and cheques. If you did not receive one, please contact my PA Mrs Sally Parry. This money is specifically for any family in need. Should you need such assistance, I assure you your request will be dealt with confidentially and sensitively. We received so many cards, emails and letters following the death of Carla, it's virtually impossible to answer each and every one of them. Nevertheless, I have asked for a triduum of Masses to be offered for yourselves and your families. Once again, many thanks.
2. **Important Notice: students who use the 679 Bus Route:** from 10th January 2017 the 679 bus route, which runs between Goodmayes or Ilford and Woodford Wells to serve Trinity Catholic High School, will now depart from its origin about 10 minutes early to compensate for traffic congestion along its route. Students who use this bus should now catch their bus at least 10 minutes earlier every morning.
3. Saturday School will recommence on Saturday 21st January: it will be based on the Upper Site and run between 9.00am and 12.00pm.
4. Friday 20th January will be a non-uniform day at Trinity Catholic High School. Students may wear sensible non-uniform in return for a fee of £1.00. All proceeds to the School Fund.



5. We start a new term and a new year. We will be emphasising certain aspects of pastoral care, conduct and discipline throughout the school, around the school and outside the school. We shall be concentrating on the following:

Uniform

Punctuality

Commuting

Conduct in lessons

The quality of homework returned

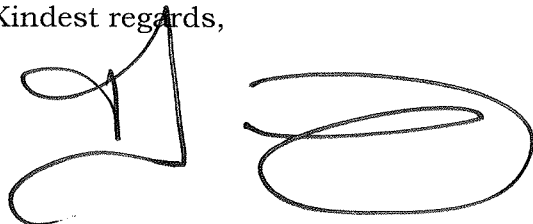
The use of our journal

I would be grateful if parents would use the latter to its full advantage. I also draw your attention to 'Operation Buzz-Bus.' Most of our students travel to and from school in a most decorous and mature manner. Some don't. Accordingly, members of staff will be boarding certain buses, we will be appointing Sixth Form monitors along the different routes and the bus companies are offering their total support in providing camera footage of students who cause disruption on public transport, annoy the public and so bring our school into disrepute. Nevertheless, this is only a minority. I have been around the school and find the students delightful. It's lovely to see them again.

6. Bad weather warning. If the snows do sweep in and there is doubt over whether our school will be open or not, please contact our website as early as possible. If the school is going to close, (a very, very rare event) it will be posted there.
7. Appointments. I would just like to remind parents of certain appointments Governors confirmed in their meetings last term:
Miss Ann Corry: First Deputy
Mr James Cantwell: Acting Deputy and Director of Upper Site
Mrs Christine Lowther: Acting SENCO
Mrs Laura O'Boyle: Acting Head of RE

Myself and colleagues on the Governing Board will be in discussion with the Diocese over three of these posts for the long-term.

Kindest regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'P.C. Doherty', written in a cursive style.

Dr P.C. Doherty OBE
Headmaster