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Prayer

Dear Heavenly Father,

As we begin the new week and a new year we ask that you would allow us to serve you in total excellence. We ask that you would remove all distraction, hindrances, break any strongholds and let us serve you selflessly.

Lord, let us seek your guidance in all things so we can give you our very best in everything. If we get to a place where we are not giving you our best please correct us and lead us back to the path of excellence.

Father, we ask that you would strengthen us in our moments of weakness. Let us be so empty of our own desires so that you can fill us with your Holy Spirit and your perfect will for our lives. We repent of all of our sins and anything that would keep us from serving you wholly.

All this we ask in your Son Jesus' name, Amen.



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How did we get there?

- Student representatives were asked some initial questions
- MS Forms shared with all students via Satchel One
 - 327 responses
- MS Forms shared with all tutors to complete in form time



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Definitions

- Excellence: the quality of being outstanding or extremely good
- Hardworking: (of a person) tending to work with energy and commitment; diligent
- Resilient: able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions
- Welcoming: behaving in a polite or friendly way to a guest or new arrival
- Respectful: have due regard for someone's feelings, wishes or rights



What do you think an English Martyrs' student should be like? A selection of quotations from our students



Should be polite to everyone around. And follow the school motto "may they all be one" - Y I I

Good mannered and well disciplined, nice to everyone and shows kindness and respect – YII

An English Martyrs student should be a person who is well behaved, listens in lessons, confident, respectful towards others, listening to others ideas, helpful to others, kind and caring —Y8

An English Martyrs student should have correct uniform, always listen to the teacher, full concentration on the lesson, kindness, sportsmanship and caring for others – Y7

Should be happy, cheerful and should have a good attitude as well as being empathic. A student at English Martyrs should also be hard-working, respectful and should be punctual - Y7

Students should be very caring towards others and look out for others. They should be friendly face to those around them and always try their bests in whatever they do. - Y13

A kind, welcoming, helpful team player - Y10





RESPECTFUL



HARDWORKING





RESILIENT

WELCOMING



Excellence



Excellence - to strive to be the very best in everything we do



Always being smart with excellent uniform

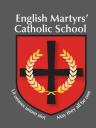
Excellent behaviour

On time for lessons

Striving for academic excellence

Taking pride in work, uniform









Hardworking - to be committed to putting effort into all work to make the best progress.



'Hard work always pays off; but mere talk puts no bread on the table.' Proverbs 14:23

Effort

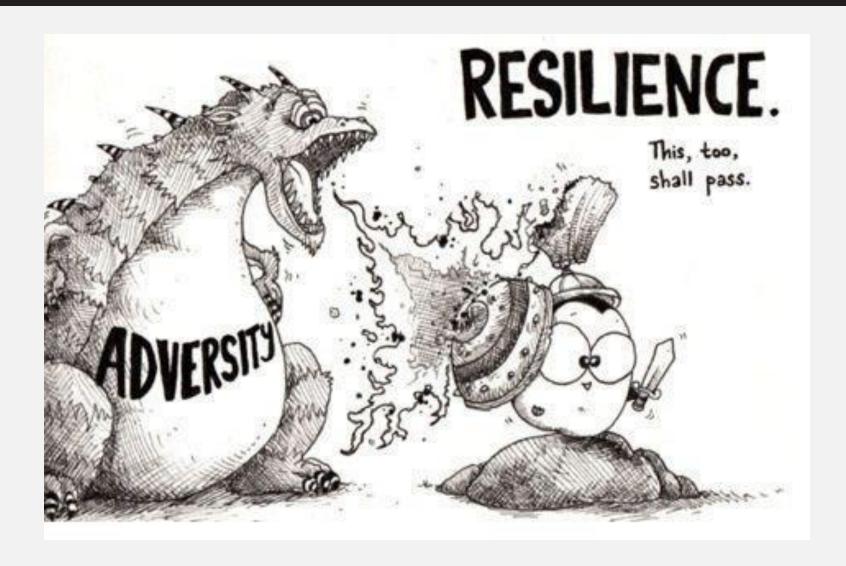
Commitment to making progress

Meeting deadlines

Showing initiative in doing more









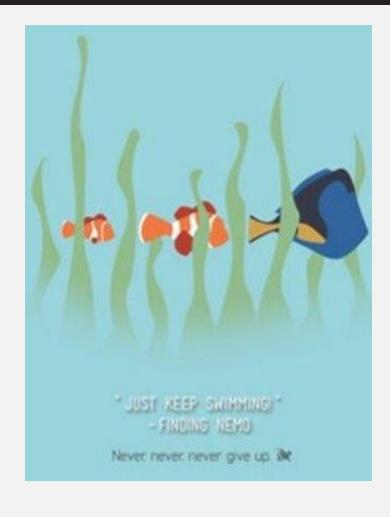
Resilient

James 1:2-4

'Count it all joy, my brothers, when you meet trials of various kinds, for you know that the testing of your faith produces steadfastness. And let steadfastness have its full effect, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking in nothing.'

Resilient - to show determination and perseverance, even when things are challenging





Determination

Never give up

Keep trying

Perservering



Welcoming



In Romans 15:7 Paul writes, "Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God."

Welcoming - to always show kindness to everyone we meet and be willing to help



Let us build a house
Where love can dwell
And all can safely live
A place where
Saints and children tell
How hearts learn to forgive

Built of hopes and dreams and visions
Rock of faith and vault of grace
Here the love of Christ shall end divisions

All are welcome, all are welcome All are welcome in this place

Let us build a house where prophets speak And words are strong and true Where all God's children dare to seek To dream God's reign anew

Here the cross shall stand as witness
And a symbol of God's grace
Here as one we claim the faith of Jesus

All are welcome, all are welcome All are welcome in this place

Let us build a house where love is found In water, wine and wheat A banquet hall on holy ground Where peace and justice meet

Here the love of God, through Jesus
Is revealed in time and space
As we share in Christ the feast that frees us

All are welcome, all are welcome All are welcome in this place

All are welcome

Kindness

Inclusive

Helping others



Respectful

Romans 12:10

• Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor.

Philippians 2:3

- Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves.
- Love your neighbour as you love yourself.



Respectful - to show respect to everyone we encounter and act in a polite, honest and well-mannered way.





To all

Honesty

Self-respect

Polite and well-mannered



Our School Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ

Make me a better person

Considerate towards others

Honest with myself

Faithful to you

Help me to find my true vocation in life

And so to find happiness myself

And bring happiness to others

Amen.





HARDWORKING





RESILIENT

WELCOMING

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Scenarios

- A student is walking round the school and notices some litter (that does not belong to them) on the floor, they pick it up and put it in the bin.
- A student arrives at the canteen and looks a little upset with her head down. A
 fellow student notices and calls her over, inviting her to sit down with them and
 asked her what is wrong.
- A visitor is in the school and a student opens the door open for him, saying "good morning".
- A student is sitting an assessment in a lesson and really cannot remember the answer to a question, he continues with his paper but keeps thinking about it. At the end of the assessment, he goes back to the question and tries again.
- A student repeats a homework because they did not get all questions right and they
 want to learn from it.



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Form Time

Excellence

Week Commencing: 09/01/23



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Week Commencing: 09/01/23 Excellence





- <u>EXCELLENCE</u> One of the Greatest Motivational Speech Videos <u>Ever (Success) HD - YouTube</u>
- •Watch the video.
- •Discuss and complete the MS Forms.
 - •What examples of excellence did you see in the video?
 - •What did the video say about what excellence is?



New Praise System

• Praise - All praise points will be linked to our English Martyrs' Way Values.





Praise Points (+1)

Students will receive one positive point in any of the following categories below:

- Excellence in Lessons (+1)
- Excellence around the school (+1)
- Respect (+1)
- Hardworking (+1)
- Resilience (+1)
- Welcoming (+1)
- Spiritual Life (+1)



Special Recognition Praise Points

• Outstanding Contribution in Lessons (+2).

This is a special recognition, given to one or two students only per lesson.

This could be for outstanding answers to questions, producing an exceptional piece of work (or both).

Outstanding contribution to school community (+2)

This could be for participation in events, singing, playing music, doing a reading at mass, reading a poem or being successful in your respective sports team.. E.g scoring a goal or saving a penalty.