



# Welcome to Year 7 Parents' Information Meeting



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# Our Mission at EMS

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English Martyrs, as a **community**  
centred in Christ strives to **develop**  
the **talents** of **each** person

‘May they all be one’



# Year 7 Family Welcome Liturgy



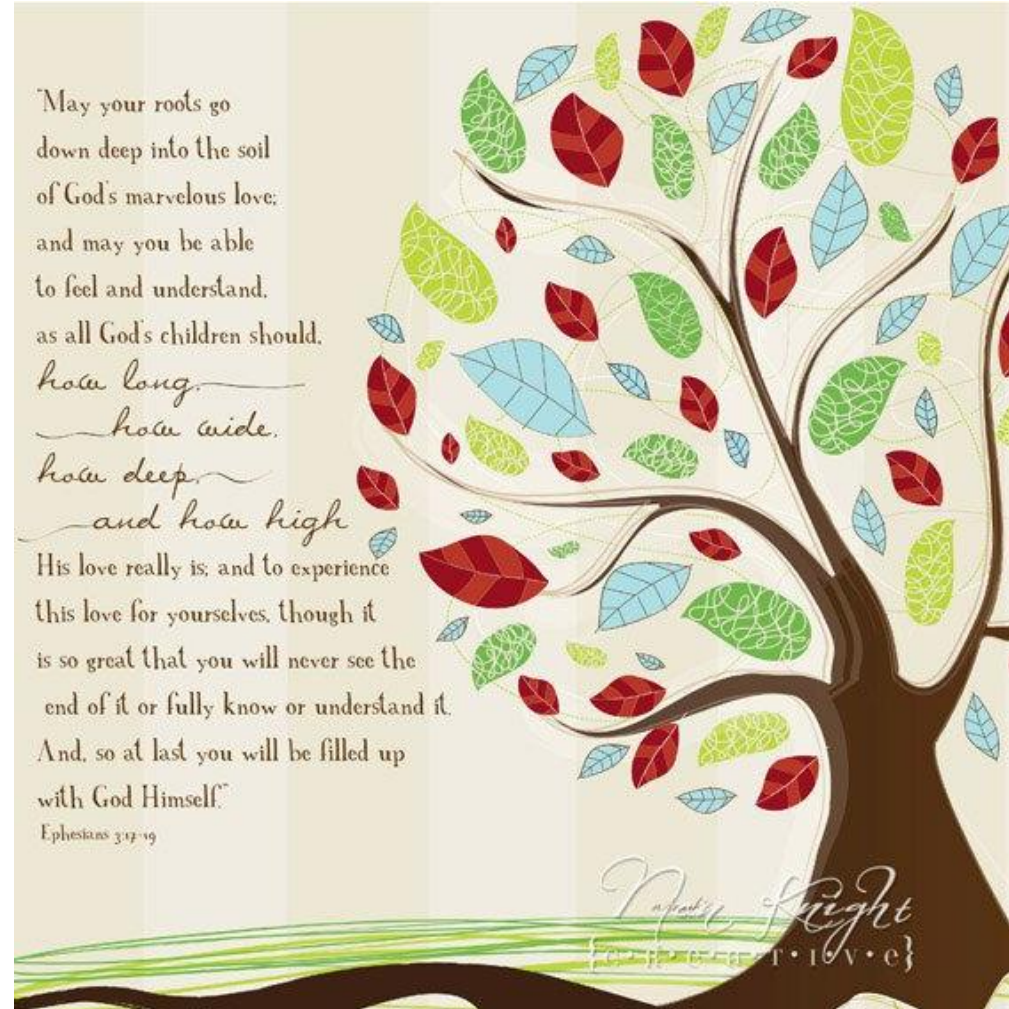
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In the name of the Father  
and of the Son  
and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen**

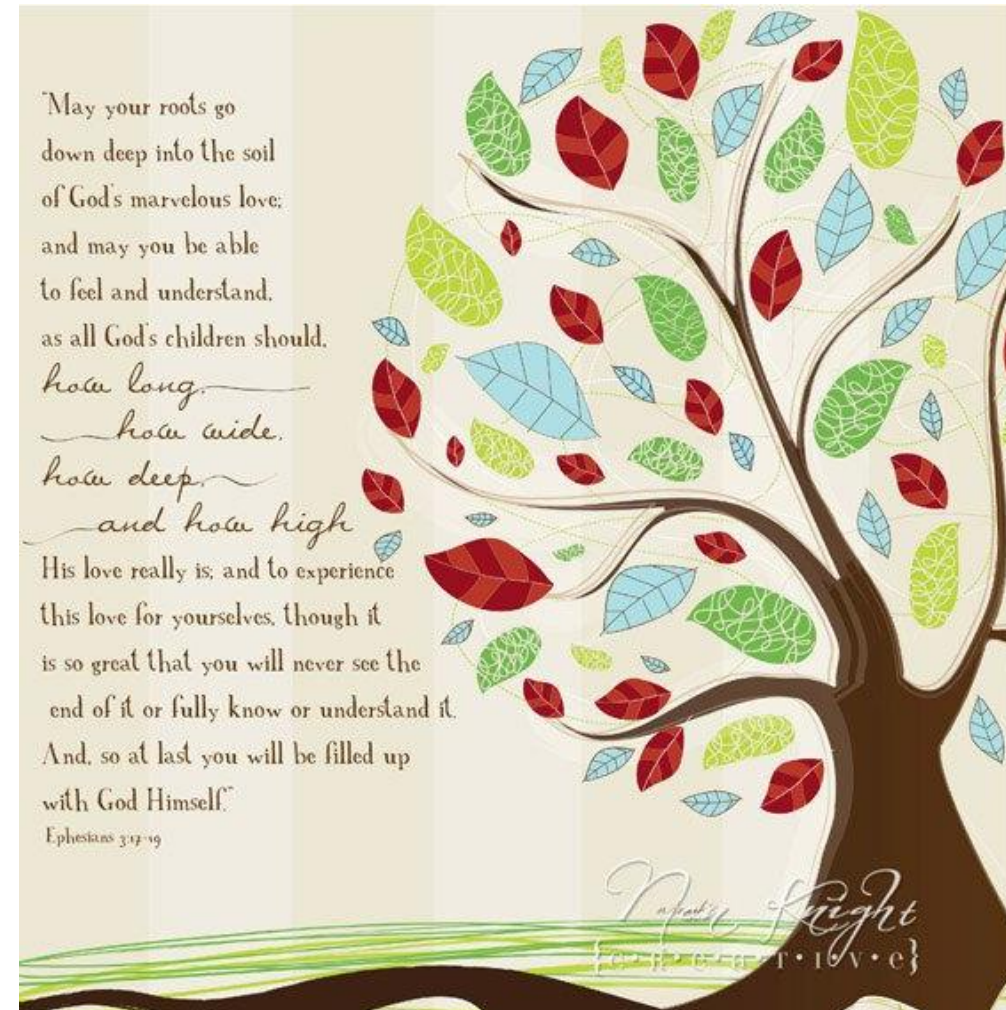




Lord Jesus Christ....

... Jesus, inspire us to do our best

Amen

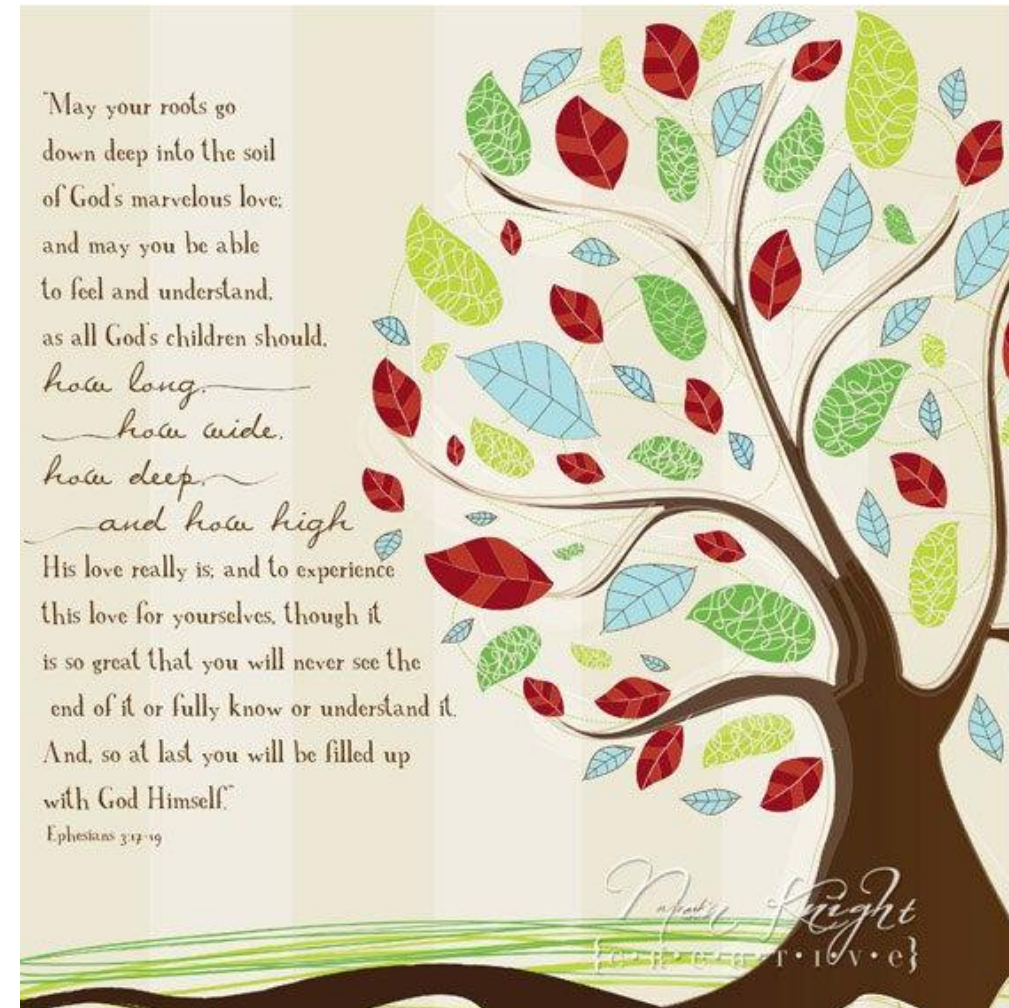


# A reading from the letter of Saint Paul to the Ephesians



... The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God**



# Act of Dedication



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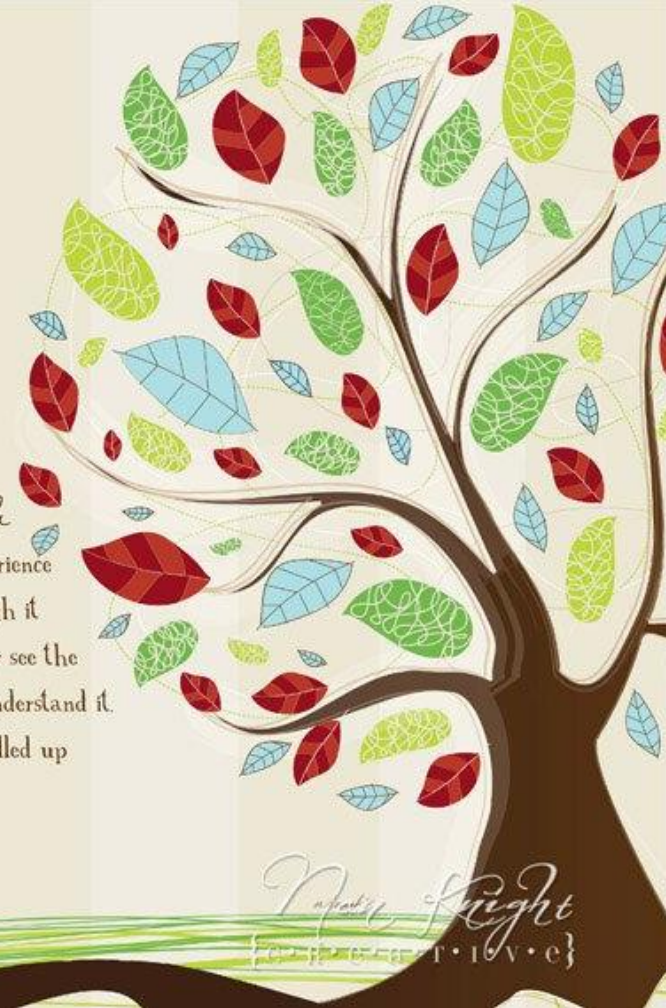
**We are,**

**With the help of God**

May your roots go  
down deep into the soil  
of God's marvelous love;  
and may you be able  
to feel and understand,  
as all God's children should,  
*how long,*  
*how wide,*  
*how deep,*  
*and how high*

His love really is; and to experience  
this love for yourselves, though it  
is so great that you will never see the  
end of it or fully know or understand it.  
And, so at last you will be filled up  
with God Himself.

Ephesians 3:17-19





# Intercessions



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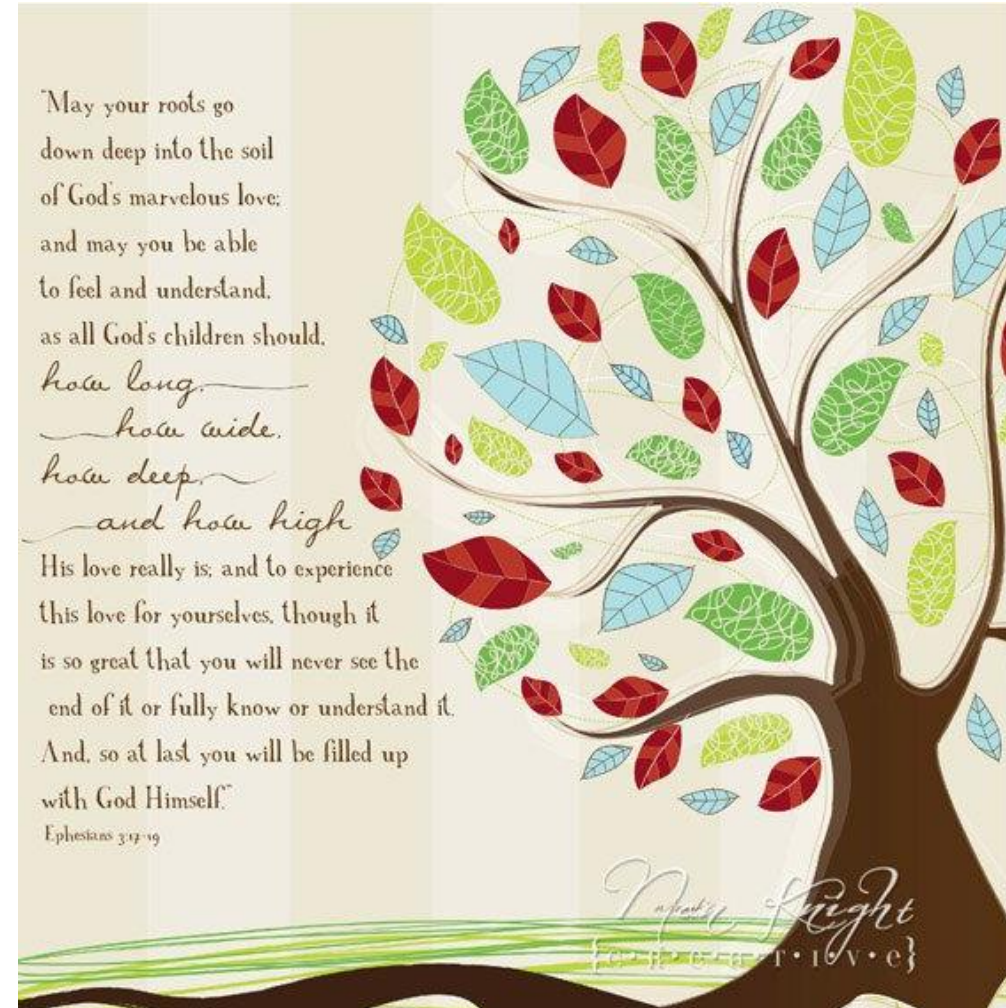
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**graciously hear us**

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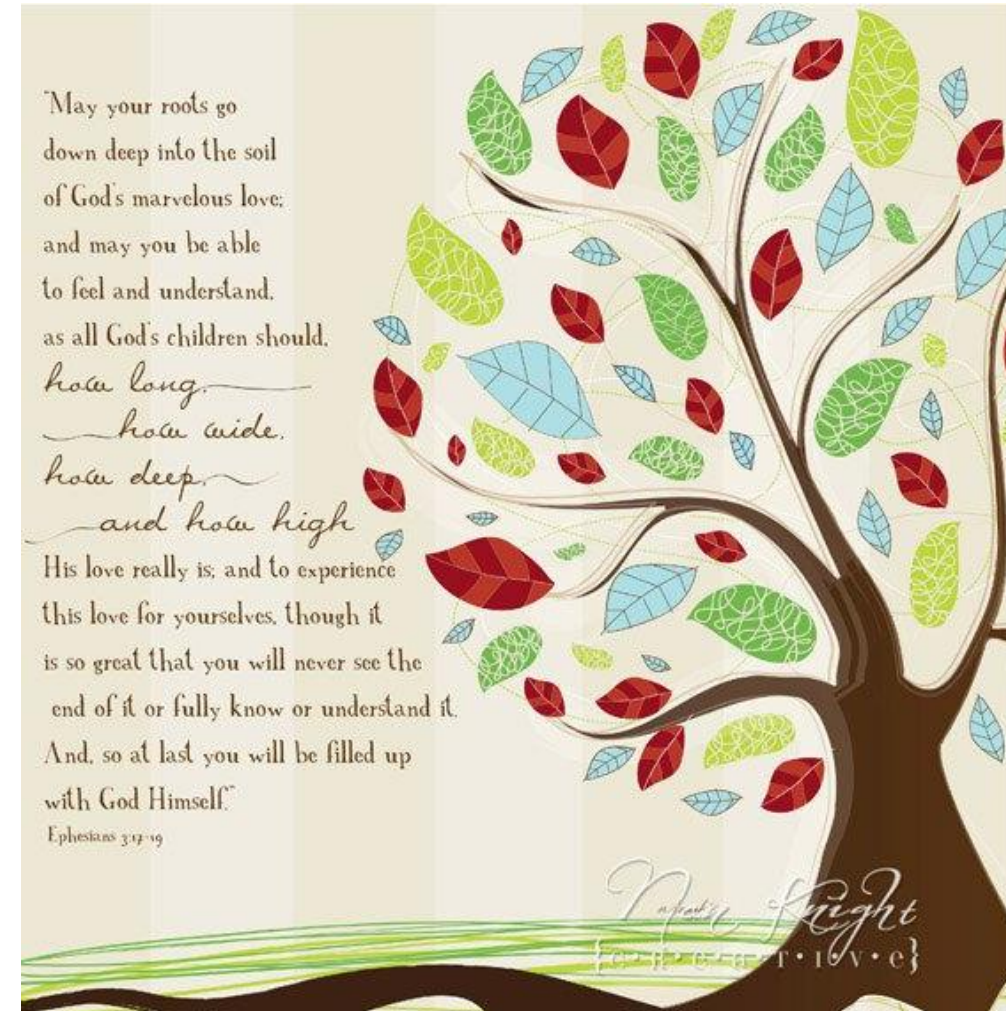
# Concluding prayer and blessing



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And may God the Father,  
Son and Holy Spirit  
enfold us and bring us,  
at day's end, safely home.

**Amen**



# Our School Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ

Make me a better person

Considerate towards others

Honest with myself

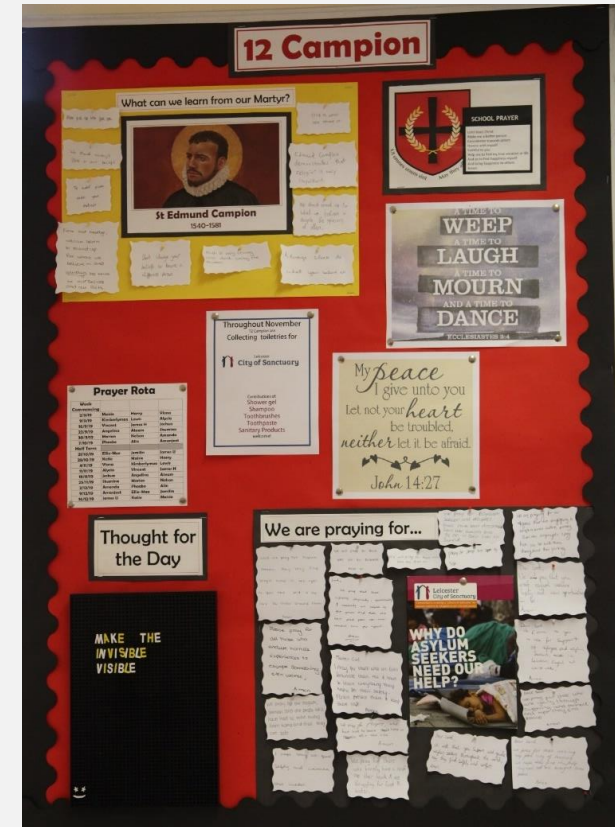
Faithful to you

Help me to find my true vocation in life

And so to find happiness myself

And bring happiness to others

Amen



*Each form has its own prayer board as a focus for prayer during form time.*



# Examination Results

## A Level Results

- 25% of students achieved A\*–A grades — up 9% from 2024
- 55% achieved A\*–B grades — also up 9% from 2024
- 84% achieved A\*–C grades — an improvement of 4% from 2024

For the tenth consecutive year, 80%+ of our students have achieved A\*–C grades/

83% of students have gained places at their first-choice universities, including many at coveted Russell Group universities.





# Year 13 Destinations

## Notable destinations include:

- Oxford University – Medicine
- Loughborough University- Chemical Engineering
- Queens University Belfast- Biomedical Science
- University of Bath- Pharmacy
- Liverpool John Moore's- Bio Chemistry
- University of St Andrews- Mathematics
- University of Leicester- Medicine
- University of Leicester- Medicine
- University of Birmingham- Pharmacy
- University of Warwick- History & Politics
- De Montfort – Psychology
- Birmingham University- Marketing
- Aston University- Law
- University of Leicester- Software Engineering.

# Examination Results

## GCSE Results

**75%** of students achieved **five or more 4+ grades** (Including English & Maths).

**57%** of students **achieved 5+ (Strong Pass)** in English & Maths

**76%** of students **achieved 4+ (Pass)** in English & Maths

We have been delighted to welcome over 115 Year 11 students into our Sixth Form (along with applicants from other schools) as they embark on the next stage of their education.



# Year 7 Pastoral Team

Head of Year – Mr Boonham

## Form Tutors

7 Champion – Miss Chatterson/ Miss Makda

7 Clitheroe - Miss Sole

7 Fisher - Ms Kousar

7 More - Mr Khushalbhai

7 Sherwin – Mr Edwards

7 Ward – Mrs Bhakta

Mrs Webster – Director of Inclusion/SENCO

Mrs Singh- Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL)

Mr James Noakes – School Chaplain

Pastoral Support Team



# Pastoral Support Team

The overall Pastoral Team includes SLT, HOY, Form Tutors & Pastoral Support Team.

Our **Pastoral Support Team** is there to support everybody, their job role covers a wide range of activities from mentoring, making wellbeing calls to assisting in First Aid and generally being a friendly face for students to speak to if they need it.



**Mrs B. Collins**

Mental Health



**Mr S. Hagan**

Pastoral Support  
Assistant



**Mr E. James**

Mentor /  
Pastoral Support



**Mr J. Johnson**

Pastoral Support  
Assistant



**Mr J. Noakes**

Chaplain



**Mr C. Rhodes**

Pastoral Support  
Assistant



# Spiritual Life

Morning Prayer

Mass

Assemblies

Charities & fundraising

Retreats



# Our Expectations

Uniform & Equipment

No Mobile Phones

Exemplary Behaviour

Homework

100% Attendance

Apply yourself to your  
studies

Get involved in the wider  
school community



# Co-curricular Activities

## Enrichment

Art Club  
Biology, Chemistry and Physics  
Olympiads  
Brilliant Club  
Chess Club  
Creative Writing Club  
Debating Society  
Design Club  
Henrietta Lacks Society  
High Flyer Programme  
Magic, Mentalism & Memory Club  
Maths Challenges  
Science Club  
Study Club

## Performing Arts

Brass Ensemble  
Dance Club  
Drama Club  
Guitar Ensemble  
Jazz Band  
Junior Choir  
Orchestra  
Schola Cantorum  
School Musical Rehearsal  
Senior Choir  
Steel Pans Group  
Woodwind Ensemble

## Sport & Outdoor Activities

Athletics (mixed)  
Badminton (mixed)  
Basketball (mixed)  
Cricket (mixed)  
Duke of Edinburgh Award:  
Bronze, Silver & Gold  
Football (boys' and girls')  
Indoor Cricket (mixed)  
Netball (mixed)  
Rounders (mixed)  
Running Club (mixed)  
Short Tennis (mixed)  
Table Tennis (mixed)  
Trampolining (mixed)  
Volleyball (mixed)



The curriculum is enhanced by a vibrant, wide-ranging co-curricular programme which provides a broad curriculum offer and supports student wellbeing.

- Each student should sign up to at least one activity.

# Year 7 Cooking

As part of Year 7 Design & Technology rotation, all year 7 will have the opportunity to do cooking this year.

The Design Technology department will provide the ingredients and the containers for transporting food home.

The cost of all this is **£17.50** for the entire year, which has proved to be more cost effective for parents than purchasing ingredients on a weekly basis.

We also hope that this will avoid unnecessary food wastage from excessive food products that would not otherwise be used at home. You can pay in full or in installments.

Students may also wish to attend afterschool cooking classes on **Wednesdays 3.00pm—4.15pm**. This will be a 4 week course costing only £6 altogether. Students can receive further information and sign up for these by talking to Mrs. Harris.

Both payments must be paid through **Arbor Parent App**.



# Next Parents' Meeting

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**Wednesday 24th September, 12.50-2.50pm**

Year 7 Campion, Clitheroe, Fisher- Parents' Afternoon Meeting the Form Tutors

**Wednesday 1st October, 12.50-2.50pm**

Year 7 More, Sherwin, Ward- Parents' Afternoon Meeting the Form Tutors



# Safeguarding



Mrs Singh

Designated Safeguarding  
Lead (DSL)



Mr Boonham



Mrs Collins



Mr Hawkes



Mrs Lewis





Mrs Webster

Tuesday - Friday



# Safeguarding

- **School website** – Our School  Safeguarding  Safeguarding/child protection policy.
- You can also download online safety tips for your child.
- We will always communicate with parents.
- Email [DSL@englishmartyrs.org](mailto:DSL@englishmartyrs.org)





# Praise & Rewards- The English Martyrs Way

- **Excellence:** We aspire to be better every day. Success is a journey and failure is part of the learning journey.
- **Hardworking:** (of a person) tending to work with energy, commitment and diligence
- **Resilience:** be determined to never give up, regardless of setbacks. To look for solutions when facing a problem.
- **Welcoming:** We recognise and celebrate diversity while being friendly considerate and welcoming to all.
- **Respect:** have due regard for (someone's feelings, wishes, or rights)



## THE ENGLISH MARTYRS' WAY



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### RESPECT

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### RESILIENCE

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### WELCOMING

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### HARD WORKING

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These are the values chosen by our students to represent the English Martyrs' Way.



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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



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# Praise Points (+1)

Teachers will award students with an English Martyrs Way Achievement point when they demonstrate any of the English Martyrs Way values below

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



# 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.**

# Praise Tracker



# Arbor Parent App

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We are cashless school. Payments to school, e.g. for food, school visits, music lessons etc. should be made using the Arbor App which is accessed via the school website, [www.englishmartyrs.org](http://www.englishmartyrs.org).

Payments may be made via debit or credit cards.

If you have any queries, please contact the school office.

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# Personal Development

The Personal Development programme is committed to offering a Careers, Reading and PSHE programme tailored to each year group so that each student is given a unique opportunity to explore the world of work, develop their unique gifts and skills which will enable them to build resilience and engage in teamwork.

This will guarantee that our students fully embrace “The English Martyrs Way.”

# Personal Development Programme

## Personal Development Plan 2025-26

	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
Advent 1 (8)	DEAR	Careers	PSHE	PSHE	Careers
Advent 2 (8)	PSHE	DEAR	Careers	Careers	DEAR
Lent 1 (6)	Careers	PSHE	DEAR	DEAR	PSHE
Lent 2 (5)	DEAR	Careers	PSHE	Careers	PSHE/Exams
Pentecost 1 (6)	PSHE	DEAR	Careers	PSHE	Exams
Pentecost 2 (6)	Careers	PSHE	DEAR	DEAR	Exams

Each half term there will be a theme, which will either be Drop Everything and Read, Careers or PSHE.

Self-regulated learning will be delivered immediately after the pastoral assembly, live to the whole year group.

# Drop Everything & Read (DEAR)

- Students will read books together throughout the year – during their Accelerate slot
- The stories are to be a shared experience, with the tutor.

Here are some of the books we'll be enjoying:





# Reporting Through Arbor Parent Portal

You will receive an email inviting you to set up the Arbor Parent Portal. Some of you may already have this if your child attended a primary school which used Arbor.

Through the Arbor Parent Portal, you can see information throughout the year about your child's attendance, punctuality, behaviour and achievements.

Please set up the Arbor Parent Portal as soon as you receive the email.



# Attendance = Achievement

Attendance	Grade Profile
>95%	6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 (10x6)
90-95%	6 6 6 6 5 5 5 5 5 5 (4x6 + 6x5)
86-90%	5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 (10x5)
<86%	4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 (10x4)



# Homework & Retrieval Practice

- All homework is published on Satchel One.
- Research-driven regular retrieval practice in and out of lessons
- Weekly spelling & Grammar tests
- Use of a computer and internet access at home
- Use of online programmes such as Sparx Maths, Educake and ActiveLearn



**Sparx Maths**



# Homework

## homework Plan



### Homework Setting:

Subject	Teacher	Day set	Deadline

You need to plan out when you are going to complete your homework, using the schedule below.

You need to also include when you will review work and revise e.g. making flash cards, completing past papers. This should be planned in throughout the year and not just in the run up to mock exams/exams.

### Study Schedule:

Day	3-4 pm	4-5 pm	5-6 pm	6-7 pm	7-8 pm
Monday					
Tuesday					
Wednesday					
Thursday					
Friday					

	Morning	Afternoon
Saturday		
Sunday		





# Homework Project Schedule

## Years 7 - 8 Homework Project Schedule (2025-2026)

Work set w/c	2 <sup>nd</sup> Week	3 <sup>rd</sup> Week	Year 7	Year 8
1 September	8 September	15 September		
22 September	29 September	6 October		Religious Education
13 October	27 October	3 November	History	Design
10 November	17 November	24 November	Religious Education	I.C.T.
1 December	8 December	15 December	Design	
5 January	12 January	19 January	Revision	Revision
26 January	2 February	9 February	Physical Education	Geography
23 February	2 March	9 March	Geography	History
16 March	23 March	13 April	Dance / Drama	Physical Education
20 April	27 April	5 May	I.C.T.	Music
11 May	18 May	1 June	Music	Dance / Drama
8 June	15 June	22 June	Revision	Revision

# Available on School Website:

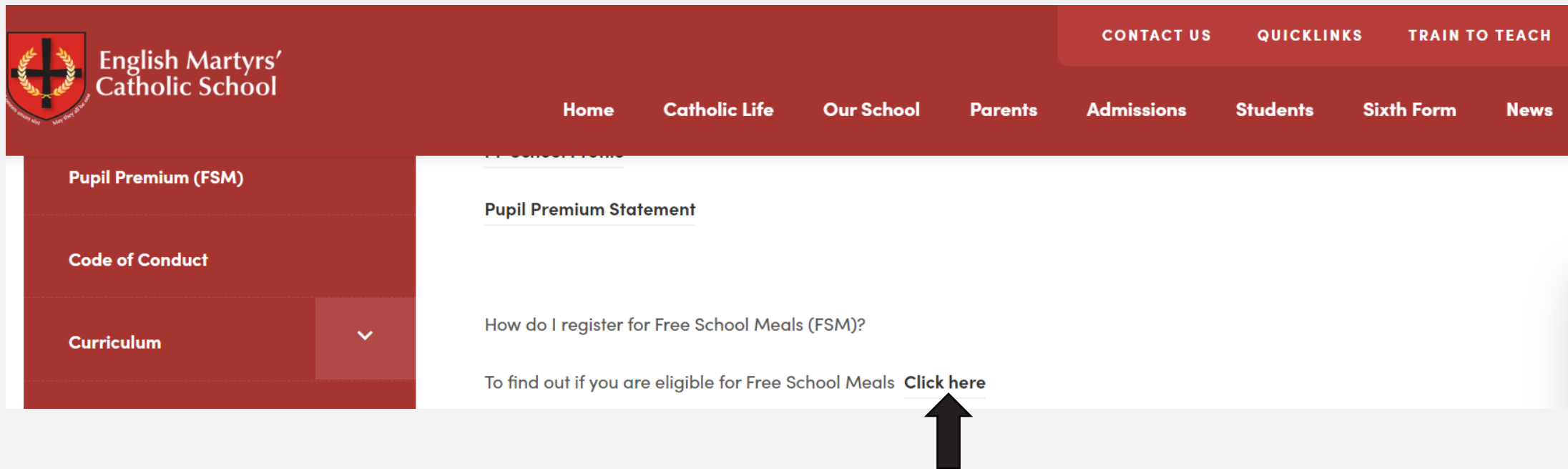
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- Assessment Profiles
- School Shop
- KS3 & KS4 Curriculum Roadmaps
- Test topics to be learnt
- Knowledge Organisers
- Revision guidance
- Wellbeing & Exam Stress support
- Student Support
- Duke of Edinburgh
- Links to Online Homework platforms e.g. Sparx & Educake



# Eligibility for Free School Meals:

Parents – Pupil Premium (FSM) - Click here.



The screenshot shows the website of English Martyrs' Catholic School. The header is dark red with the school's logo and name on the left, and navigation links (CONTACT US, QUICKLINKS, TRAIN TO TEACH) on the right. Below the header is a secondary navigation bar with links: Home, Catholic Life, Our School, Parents, Admissions, Students, Sixth Form, and News. The main content area is white. On the left, there is a dark red sidebar with a menu containing 'Pupil Premium (FSM)', 'Code of Conduct', and 'Curriculum' (with a dropdown arrow). The main content area displays the 'Pupil Premium Statement' section. It includes the heading 'Pupil Premium Statement', the question 'How do I register for Free School Meals (FSM)?', and the text 'To find out if you are eligible for Free School Meals [Click here](#)'. A large black arrow points upwards to the 'Click here' link.

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## Free school meals

Find out if your child qualifies for benefits-related free school meals and how to apply.

### Quick links

 [Apply online for free school meals](#)

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### Free school meals for reception, year 1 and 2 children



# Year 7 Key Dates

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**Wednesday 1st October, 12.50-2.50pm**

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**Friday 26th September**

**Macmillan World's Biggest Coffee Morning**

**Thursday 2nd October**

**Year 6 Open Evening**

**Tuesday 14th October**

**Year 7 Concert**

**Thursday 20th November**

**St Cecilia Concert**

**Tuesday 16th December**

**Christmas Dinner**

**Thursday 18th December**

**Carol Service**



# Year 7 Key Dates

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**2nd-6th March**

Residential retreat to the Briars

**Thursday 26th March**

Parents' Meeting

**Week beginning 29th June**

Whole Year Trip to Twycross Zoo.

