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Dear Parents and Carers

As we approach the end of this half term, I would like to thank you for your continued support. This has been a busy half term and I hope that you have seen some of the wonderful activities and achievements of our students on our different social media streams (details below) and on the 'latest news' section of our school website.

This year, Lent takes place from Wednesday March 2, to Thursday April 14, while Easter takes place on Sunday April 16. As we build towards the celebration of Easter, we'll be praying together as a school community, preparing to commemorate the Resurrection of Jesus. Covid allowing, there will be an opportunity for students to receive ashes in school on Ash Wednesday.

The season of Lent coincides with the shift from winter to spring; the spring season is all about rebirth and renewal. There will be a few changes in school following the half term break. We will return to weekly 'House Group' assemblies to share our weekly liturgical themes, forthcoming school events and to remind students of the ways that we live out our school motto of 'Excellence through Faith, Learning and Support' in school and in our community.

In order to improve communication with parents and carers, we will be sharing a weekly 'Parent/Carer Bulletin' which will contain information about school life: how students have been deepening their faith, updates about students' learning and information regarding the opportunities for students, parents and carers to access support from the school. We will also use the bulletin to highlight key upcoming events in the calendar. We hope that you will find this bulletin helpful.

After a very busy time in school, particularly for our Y11 and Y13 students who have just had preliminary examinations, I hope that you have a relaxing half term break and that the students come back to school refreshed and ready to learn on Monday 28 February.

Kind regards

Mrs D Ritchie Acting Head of School

Social Media

The accounts are as follows: Facebook:@St Wilfrids RC College Instagram:@STWILFRIDSRCCOLLEGE





