



ST AUGUSTINE'S SCHOOL

Friday 24th October 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we reach the end of a rewarding half term, I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks for your continued support. Your partnership plays a vital role in helping us create a positive and enriching environment for all our students.

This half term has seen some exciting developments across the school. One of the most significant has been the rollout of Chromebooks to all students. It has been wonderful to see how enthusiastically students have embraced this opportunity. The increased access to technology is already having a positive impact on learning, collaboration, and independence both in and outside the classroom.

We also launched our 'SAS Best' initiative, which focuses on high standards in all aspects of our school life. Students have responded brilliantly, and it's been a pleasure to see them looking smart and arriving on time to school being ready to learn. As we move into the colder months, we kindly ask for your continued support in ensuring that students wear their uniform correctly and come to school dressed appropriately for the weather including a suitable warm coat and black shoes.

Today, we celebrated our first Mission Day, a special event for our Year 7 students. This was a chance for them to spend time in their tutor groups, reflecting on the virtue of love, and exploring what it means to live this out in their daily lives. The day concluded with a beautiful Mass, and we are especially grateful to the families who were able to join us.

Attendance remains a key priority for us. We are proud to have some of the highest attendance figures in our region, and we thank you for your efforts in ensuring your child is in school every day. However, we must continue to stress the importance of avoiding holidays during term time. Every day missed equates to five hours of learning that cannot be recovered, and consistent attendance is crucial to academic success and wellbeing.

Looking ahead, next half term brings the beginning of Advent, a special time in our school calendar. There will be many opportunities for students to engage in spiritual reflection, acts of kindness, and community celebration.

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Finally, a reminder that students will return to school on Tuesday 4th November, as Monday 3rd November is an INSET day and the school will be closed to students.

Thank you once again for your ongoing support. I wish you and your families a restful and enjoyable half term break.

God bless,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R Flanagan', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Rosa Flanagan - Headteacher