

St Francis of Assisi Catholic College Nil Satis Optimum - Only the best is good enough -

12th February 2021

Dear Parent/ Carer

As we draw to a close this half- term I will highlight a couple of forthcoming events to be aware of.

Live Form Sessions

As shared last week we will move to the schedule below as of Monday 22nd February, 09:00- 09:20.

Day and time	Year group	Focus
Monday 09:00- 09:20	All year groups (7-13)	Values
Tuesday 09:00- 09:20	7, 8, 12, 13	Drop in
Wednesday		
Thursday 09:00- 09:20	9,10, 11	Drop in
Friday 09:00- 09:20	All year groups (7-13)	Well-being

- Sessions will be visible to students on their Microsoft Teams calendar and sessions are planned and will be delivered by the Form Teacher. If a student does not attend then we will follow up with phone calls.
- Cameras are to be turned on for staff and students but students are to be muted unless invited to contribute by the teacher (Staff have control of this)
- Students should blur their background or ensure it is appropriate from a school setting. This reduces overall distraction, blocks out any unwanted cameos and protects privacy. The 'blur' option is accessed by the 3 dots in the top right of the screen.
- Behaviours whilst in a session should be that of a normal lesson. If a student needs to be removed from a session for poor behaviour they will be, and there will be follow up to this.
- The 'drop- in' sessions are an opportunity for any student to talk and interact with their Form tutor away from the full class group.

Year 11 Parents Evening

This is scheduled for 3rd March and parents of those in Year 11 will receive a letter on Monday 22nd February with instructions for the online booking platform.

Free School Meals

The national voucher scheme is suspended for the half term week but will be reinstated for when learning resumes on Monday 22nd. The funding lies with Local Authorities for this one week and I truly hope they have been in touch with residents.

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<u>Thank you</u>

I shared an entirely heartfelt 'thank you' with my staff today and I want to extend that to you as parents and carers. The bereavements, hardship and unknowns are all very real and yet you have all shown great resilience and willingness throughout.

There are still unknowns and we await the Government announcement on the 22nd February and the outcomes of the exam's consultation. In school, there are already a number of plans in place for varying scenarios so we will be ready to respond but for now, let me say thank you, award you all with the attached Golden ticket and wish you all a restful half term.

God Bless

Luke Salkeld

Headteacher