

RANGE REPORT November 17th 2017

Dear Parent / Carer,

Welcome to the latest edition of the Range Report, our electronic newsletter.

Anti-Bullying Week

This week school's across the country highlight the issue of bullying. Our Anti-Bullying Ambassadors have supported their fellow pupils by checking their security settings on social media are correct and we have held a special assembly to promote awareness of the issues facing our LGBTI pupils. We will be continuing the theme next week with e-safety assemblies.

Sarahah app

Can I take this opportunity to draw your attention to an app called Sarahah, which essentially allows people to send completely anonymous comments to other users, with no way of the recipient replying to the sender or knowing who sent it to them. Originally, it was envisaged as being used by people to send candid, friendly notes to each other, or for businesses to receive feedback from customers. It is exceptionally difficult to track or identify the sender because of the apps inherent anonymity when posting. It appears that some of our pupils have downloaded this app and some have received abusive comments. We would welcome support from parents and carers in explaining the dangers of this app to their children and possibly removing it from their devices, if you feel it appropriate.

Cross Country Success

On 8th November our cross country team travelled to Birkdale Common to take part in the first Sefton Trophy race of the season. Congratulations to Freya Walsh and Harry Pike, who came 2nd and 1st in their respective races.

Presentation Evening

On 9th November we held our Y11 Presentation Evening. Peter Pritchard, CEO of retailer Pets at Home, presented certificates and special awards to last year's Y11 pupils. It was a delight to celebrate their achievements. Since joining us in Y12 many of them have already completed a Silver Duke of Edinburgh Award expedition and started their Extended Project. We look forward to their continued success.

Dates for your diary

Thursday 23 rd November	Sixth Form Information Evening
Monday 27th November	Y8 Support Evening
Monday 27th November	Y11 Mock exams begin
Monday 4 th December	Y11 Work experience begins
Monday 11 th December	KS5 Mock exams begin
Tuesday 12 th December	Carol Concert at Holy Trinity Church
Thursday 14 th December	Jolly Christmas Show
Monday 18 th December	Y13 Presentation Evening
Tuesday 19 th December	School closes (approx. 12.45pm)
Monday 8 th January	School re-opens (Week 1)

Have a great fortnight.
Mr Aldridge

