



Friday 7th November 2025

Head Teacher's Weekly Update

Dear Families,

I hope you all had a wonderful half term break and were able to enjoy what was a lovely week of weather. It has been so lovely to welcome everybody back to school this week. I want to pay particular praise to our Year 11 and 13 pupils as they have undertaken their first mock examinations of the academic year and have conducted themselves so positively and calmly throughout the week. There are two further days of Mock examinations on Monday and Tuesday next week. We wish them all the very best of luck.

Prayer Theme

When we let God's love fill our hearts, we begin to see the world differently not through society's eyes, but through God's lens. And when we live by the Beatitudes when we choose peace, mercy, forgiveness, and kindness. We become part of God's kingdom here on earth. So this November, as we remember those who have gone before us, let's honour them by following their example — by living the Beatitudes.

We have prayed together as a community:

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

Remembrance Sunday

- Our school community will pause next week to remember those who have made sacrifices in defence of their country and for their service and commitment to a better world.
- The month of November is a time to pause and pray for those who have passed away and to pray for the repose of their souls.



Winter Concert

- Advance notice of our Winter Concert on Tuesday 2nd December at 6pm in the school Main Hall
- Tickets are available via ArborPay



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Some of you will be aware that we received a visit from Ofsted on 30th September as part of their routine monitoring to ensure that safeguarding procedures are in place and effective.

I'm pleased to confirm that there were no issues identified with our safeguarding policies or procedures — an outcome we were confident would be the case. A copy of the report will be available on our school website once it has been published.

As always, we are extremely proud of our achievements as a team. The STM community has much to celebrate — we are fortunate to have such a fantastic school, with dedicated staff and wonderful pupils.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

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Yours sincerely,

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