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CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Parents

Visit to Iceland

A group of 22 pupils and staff set off from school after dark last night on a visit to Iceland. They flew from Gatwick to Reykjavik this morning before beginning a hectic tour of mountains, volcanoes, rivers, lakes, and caves. Highlights include trips to The Bridge between Two Continents at Sandvík, The Golden Circle, the black beaches of Iceland's south coast, a glacier walk, a secret lagoon, hiking to a volcano and exploring Reykjavik. Our pupils are accompanied by Mrs Powell-Wiffen, Visit Leader, Dr Bradley, and Mr Milner. Follow their progress on Twitter @CHCHSLeeds

Good Shepherd Fundraising

Year 7 pupils presented a cheque for £1,500 to Bishop Marcus at a ceremony in Leeds Cathedral. The sum was raised during Lent by a variety of imaginative ventures. Many thanks to all pupils and parents who contributed. The monies will help *Catholic Care* to look after disadvantaged families, especially children, in our Diocese.



Construction

Pupils in Years 9 and 10 enjoyed a *Give Construction a Try* event at The John Charles Centre for Sport in The South Leeds Stadium. The 25 pupils met over 30 employers in the industry and sampled architecture, town planning and engineering activities. They also had a go at bricklaying, pointing, drain aid and many more practical tasks. The event was organised by Keepmoat Homes.



Sporting Success

Year 7 pupils Abdul Chaudray and Archie Farrell-Smith have been gaining plaudits since the start of the cricket season. To date Archie has scored 51 runs from 44 balls and Abdul 47 from 48. Notable performances included Abdul's unbeaten 25 and retirement in the Yorkshire Cup, as well Archie's 25 against GSAL.



Dates for Your Diaries

Please note key dates from the school's calendar for 2018-19 below:

Holiday	School Closes	School Opens
Summer	Friday 20 July 2018 at 1.20pm	Tuesday 4 September 2018
Autumn mid-term	Friday 26 October 2018	Monday 5 November 2018
Christmas	Friday 21 December 2018 at 1.20pm	Monday 7 January 2019
Spring mid-term	Friday 15 February 2019	Tuesday 26 February 2019
Easter	Friday 5 April 2019 at 1.20pm	Tuesday 23 April 2019
Summer mid-term	Friday 24 May 2019 at 3.15pm	Monday 3 June 2019
Summer	Friday 19 July 2019 at 1.30pm	

Staff training days will be held on Monday 3 September 2018, Monday 26 November 2018 and Monday 25 February 2019. The school will close early for pupils (1.30pm) on Wednesday 26 September, Friday 5 October 2018, Wednesday 16 January 2019 and Tuesday 25 June 2019 to facilitate staff training. The school's Open Day for prospective pupils, their parents and families will take place on Saturday 6 October 2018 from 11.00am to 1.30pm.

Book Review

Each week we include a book recommendation from a member of our school community. Pupils who would like to see a favourite book featured in this column should see Miss Burns, School Librarian, for an application form. This week's reader is Year 9 pupil Caitlin Pigott. Caitlin has represented the school in sports, drama and enterprise projects. She recommends *The Book Thief* by Markus Zusak, a number one New York Times bestseller that has been marketed as an older children's book in some countries and as an adult novel in others. Caitlin writes, "I chose this book because of its breath-taking pace. It's an emotional, thought-provoking story of the Second World War, superbly told."

Yours sincerely



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Acting Headteachers