ST. ANNE'S CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL FOR GIRLS

Act justly, love tenderly, walk humbly with your God



6 October 2023

Dear Parents and Carers

Re: Year 7 Welcome Mass

We are delighted that your daughter is a member of our school learning family and we very much want to formally celebrate this with you. To this end, I would like to invite you to the Year 7 Welcome Mass which is taking place on **Wednesday 18 October 2023.**

What is the Year 7 Welcome Mass?

It is a unique opportunity for your family to experience a Mass with us and to appreciate the importance of Masses as part of the catholic life and living faith of the school community. Furthermore, you can see and hear how your daughters are further developing as wonderful singers.

Families of all Faiths and families who do not have a Faith are warmly invited to attend. This is an inclusive celebration for everyone. You do not need to know anything in advance, our Mass Booklet will include all the wording so you can fully follow the Mass. Whilst all are welcome to participate fully in the prayers and hymns there is no requirement to do so, it is fine to just sit, watch and appreciate respectfully.

Attending this Mass will also provide you with a sense of familiarity into an event your daughter will experience over fifty times through her journey in our school from a child to a young person.

When, where and at what time?

On Wednesday 18 October 2023 at the Church of Our Lady of Mount Carmel and Saint George which is the Church located on London Road, directly opposite the Lower Site school in Enfield Town.

All students are to be in the Parish Centre next to the Church by 7.00pm.

We ask that all Parents and Carers are seated by **7.15pm**. Please do come early, our team of staff will be there to welcome you and answer any queries. Mass will start promptly at **7:30pm**.

How to I dress, can I bring my young children, are there toilets on site, how many people can I attend with?

All students must attend in **full school uniform**. For families there is no dress code, wear what you feel comfortable wearing. Young children are most welcome. The Mothers' Chapel will be available for those parents and carers with small children who would like to use a smaller room with nearby toilet facilities. A member of staff will be available to take you to you the room on arrival if you would like to use this option. There are toilets available in the Parish Centre which is adjacent to the main church building, please do ask any member of staff if you would like to know where they are situated.

The Church is a large space, however it can become full quite quickly so we recommend between 2-3 family members per student however, more family members are most welcome.

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Where can I park if we come by car?

Unfortunately, there is no parking available in the Church car park or in the school. Please therefore make use of the nearby multi-storey car park which is fee paying. There will also be on street parking nearby.

Consent Form

It is important that you consent to your child attending the Mass as it takes place outside normal school hours. Please complete our online consent form by clicking the link below by **Thursday 12 October 2023**:

https://tinyurl.com/Year7WelcomeMass2023



If you have any questions, or would like support with access needs, please do not hesitate to contact me.

This Welcome Mass will give your daughter a unique opportunity to pray and reflect on her successful transition to St. Anne's. It is a wonderful opportunity for her to celebrate with her year group and members of her family and I look forward to meeting you at the Mass.

Yours sincerely,

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