

All Saints Catholic College

A Voluntary Academy

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Dear Parents

Firstly, I would like to thank you for the successful start to this academic year. As with every school there are always blips and things to work on but I am always exceptionally appreciative to parents who bring those concerns to me directly, so that we can make the improvements to our school community together. In that vein, can I go back to last year and the parent survey that was completed at the end of the academic year. We will seek your views again as these allowed us to make improvements in how we communicate with parents regarding what we teach our children and I do urge you to visit the following link and see the fruits of what was a long piece of labour in reviewing the whole school curriculum. That link is: <https://allsaintscatholiccollege.com/about-us/curriculum>

The main purpose in writing is to let you know about an exciting development for our school and our wider community. Since 2013 All Saints Catholic College has been part of the St Anselms Multi Academy Trust. This trust was what is called, an 'empty MAT' as the only school within the trust was All Saints. From 1st December we will be joining with the Corpus Christi Catholic Academy trust. This is a group of 4 schools that includes three primary schools and one secondary school. The purpose of this change is manifold. It mirrors the national picture and what is being led at a national level by the DfE as detailed in the 2022 Schools Bill. It is also part of the process that Shrewsbury Diocese is undertaking to move away from any single academy trusts or empty MATs, as we currently are. This will be the start of the process, over the next decade, of bringing the Diocesan schools into family groupings of MATs. More importantly it will bring All Saints into a family of schools with whom we can share a number of resources, share advice and support and allow us greater access to national pots of funding which we have not been able to draw on because of our current status. We have invested heavily in the buildings and fabric of the school in recent years, and we are seeing that impact. As we journey from a good to great school I am determined to continue to invest in the resources and provision for our children so that they can access the best education.

Some of you will have questions and I ask you to email me regarding those questions but I can assure you the type of school we are, the family focus, the lessons we have, the level of staffing the amount of support we give our pupils and the very essence of whom All Saints is will not change. As suggested above, the move will simply enhance what we do and allow our school to access even more opportunities which will benefit our children. As I say if you have any specific questions please do contact me at school. But in the meantime may I ask for your prayers so that the venture is successful.

Yours sincerely

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Headteacher

