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We have a super start to the year; thank you for all your support for us and our work.

Last week we had a really successful Y6 Open Evening. We are oversubscribed in current Y7 having a waiting list which is brilliant. I wondered if parents may be interested to hear the message that was given out last week. It applies to all our students; not just those who will be joining us in September 2019.

The main message was about the expectation we have of students as co-workers with us in building a meaningfully different Catholic community; a family.

“Your parents gave you your shining life, but they cannot live it for you.

We will teach you things, but we cannot make you learn.

We will give you direction and point the way, but we expect you to be there to lead.

We can encourage you to worship, but we cannot make you believe.

We can teach you right from wrong, but you must always decide for yourself.

We can offer you advice, but you have the choice to accept it.

We can teach you to share, but we cannot make you unselfish.

We can teach you respect, but we cannot force you to show honour.

We can advise you about friends, but we cannot choose them for you.

We can advise you about building meaningful relationships, but we cannot keep you pure.

We can warn you about sin and temptation, but we cannot make you moral.

We can tell you about aiming high and give you the freedom to realise your God-given potential that is within you, knowing that only you will limit yourself.

We can teach you about kindness, but we can't force you to be gracious.

We will show you charity but only you can be generous.

We can help you appreciate beauty but only you can see the **beautiful** you inside.

We can love you as a child, but only you can decide to be part of our family.

We can pray for you, but we cannot make you walk with God.

We can do everything in our power to help you to shine...and we will!”

John Rooney, Head teacher.