

## Chaplaincy Bulletin – Issue 24

**Living and learning together as a Catholic community in Christ:  
religion, reason and kindness are at the heart of our ethos through  
Education.**



 **The month of June is traditionally dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus** -The Church celebrates the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus on the Friday following the second Sunday after Pentecost. In addition to the liturgical celebration, many devotional exercises are connected with the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Of all devotions, devotion to the Sacred Heart was, and remains, one of the most widespread and popular in the Church. Our Friday Mass on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of June will be dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

 **Friday Morning Mass** – As always, Mass is celebrated at 8am in our chapel every Friday morning. The last two Masses have been led by 7G and 9NW.

 **Year 8 Retreat** – 27 year eight students travelled to The St. Vincent’s Centre, Whitstable for a residential retreat from the 7<sup>th</sup> until the 9<sup>th</sup> of June. The students benefitted from the opportunity to take time out from the routine pressures of everyday life to reflect on themselves, their relationship with others and their relationship with God. The programme included large and small group work, discussion, prayer, liturgy, communal games, social time and outings to the seaside and bowling (see pictures overleaf)

 **XLP charity fund raising event** -Some of our Music students had been invited to perform at this event which is an opportunity for XLP to secure funding from private donors in order to help under privileged children in London (see pictures overleaf)

 **7JA charity cake sale-** on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> June they organised a cake sale to raise money for the HIV awareness charity Tackle Africa. HIV is still the number one cause of deaths in African adolescents and the spread of this disease can be greatly reduced by tackling the stigma and ignorance around the disease. JA raised £94.12 for this worthy cause and worked well as a team in organising all aspects of the cake sale!

## Year 8 Retreat at the St Vincent's Centre in Whitstable Kent 7<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> June



## Charity fundraising event for XLP and under-privileged children 25<sup>th</sup> May 2017

Mr Ballard took our drumming student to the very plush venue the Merchant Taylor Hall in the City. The drummers kept asking Mr Ballard and Mr Laurence whether the Queen lived there! The CEO of XLP, in front of the packed audience of sponsors, interviewed Dylan after the performance and he spoke from the heart about how XLP had given them the opportunity to challenge people's perceptions of young inner city youngsters.

