



Week beginning Monday 1st March 2021 Week 1

Whole School Spirituality Theme: Lent - Encountering God on High

Many years ago, having just summited Mont Blanc with a friend of mine, we were descending and stopped for a 5 minute rest at the top of a cliff face. We were just sat on the edge, dangling our legs over, and taking in the view for 5 minutes or so. It was then he cut through the silence by asking me, "So, you're a Catholic right ... so what do you think happens to you when you die?" Somewhat taken aback by the timing of this question (and bearing in mind he had never asked me anything about my faith in the years I had known him) from my atheist friend, I didn't say anything at first. But then I saw him crying and he said, "My dad's dying of cancer and I just wondered..." It was then, I told what I believed and we said a prayer for his dad. It was perhaps the strangest place that I'd ever had a conversation about matters of faith. But that day, for those minutes, through prayer there was an encounter with God ... and strangely on a mountain!

One does not have to climb mountains to encounter God. We simply just have to be willing to meet with Him. The time and place will not always be of our choosing. But in these difficult times, prayer has been a place that many of us have turned to in order to seek Him and ask for His help. So this week, we will focus on the different ways that we, as a community, can encounter God.

[Mr Doust]

Covid Testing for Students

Details of dates and times for student testing will be sent out via Edulink



School Uniform – Message from Baker & Son

Although schools will soon be open we are unfortunately classed as nonessential retail and not likely to re-open the store until after Easter.

We are still operating our online sales:

https://www.bakerandsonschoolwear.co.uk/

where orders can be placed and delivered to home.

We've now added a "click and collect" option for customers to collect from the shop on a Monday, Wednesday or Saturday between the hours of 10am to 12noon starting from the Monday 1st March.

If parents do need to get in touch with us, the best form of contact is email <u>sales@bakerandsonschoolwear.co.uk</u> or through our facebook page <u>https://www.facebook.com/bakerandsonschoolwear</u>.



SUPPORTING HIGH PERFORMANCE

LEARNING AT HOME

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- What is High Performance Learning?
- What does the research say?
- Mindset
- Home/school collaboration: working together
- School and beyond
- Unlocking potential
- Practical strategies and quick wins



Monday 19th April 2021

4.30-5.00pm

BOOK your place via Edulink or by contacting the main school office



A reminder to all Y9 DofE Students to log on to eDofE and set up your profile and details of activities if you have not already done so.

Also a reminder to Y10 and Y11 DofE students that you can still complete your work on activities and upload any evidence onto eDofE.

Hopefully an expedition of some sort can take place in the summer for Y9 and Y10 so it is important that you try to complete all other activities by then.
If any DofE student needs any help with this, please contact Mr Sawyer.



This Lent, several staff here at Holy Trinity Academy have decided to not just TALK about the importance of helping others but are WALKING the TALK by collectively 'donning' our walking boots to take on the **Walk for Water Challenge**. We'll individually be walking (some running, skipping and even dancing!) 10,000 steps a day for 40 days to raise money for CAFOD's work around the world. Please support us and help transform lives.

https://www.justgiving.com/team/hta-walk-the-talk

Do you struggle knowing how best to support your children online?

ParentZone have excellent up to date information and advice.

This article may be helpful, 5 Parenting rules that really matter:

https://www.parents.parentzone.org.uk/morearticles/the-

5-digital-parenting-rules-that-really-matter

