



FAMILY MATTERS

The Holy Family Technology College

A Catholic Secondary School & Specialist Technology College

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Friday 19th. September 2008

Dear Parents/Carers

The new term is settling down well. We are working hard to set high targets for the students. Next week Yr 11 students will have a study skills day to help them in their preparation for their GCSEs.

This week we have held our Enrichment Fair for sixth formers organised by our Deputy Head of Sixth Form, Ms Doyle. Please encourage your son/daughter to participate in these activities. Both universities and employers are impressed by applicants who have developed additional skills beyond their academic subjects while at Sixth Form.

The Friends of Holy Family Technology College held their Annual General Meeting on Wednesday this week. They work very hard to raise additional money for the College and for the benefit of our young people so please support their work and come along to join – new members are very welcome. The next meeting is on Tuesday 18th November at 7.30pm on the Walthamstow Site.

As ever please remember us in your prayers and if you have any concerns don't hesitate to get in touch with us.

Dr Andy Stone
Headteacher

There will be a Memorial Service for Ciaran Campbell-Harpaur at 2pm on
Saturday 4th October.

The service will be held in the Church at the top
of the hill opposite Chingford Mount Cemetery in Old Church Road, Chingford

Stepping Into The Unknown- My visit to Coventry University Summer School

By Ishima Romain

It's amazing how easily people can interact and relate to each other after knowing them for a few hours. When living with some one, a level of trust and toleration must be present. On arrival at Coventry University, we each envisaged the kinds and types of personalities we would prefer to live and associate with, each knowing inside that the ones we would share a kitchen and bathroom with, would be the opposite of anything we had hoped for. Alas, we had to make do and try to get along as best as possible. Each of us came from diverse areas of England and once introduced and the ice was broken most people conversed with each other and a level of toleration was established. Milly claims "Certain people know others as they come from the same school so it's not that bad living with them, I found irksome habits my flat mates possessed but I have to endure it for a few more days". I was afraid that when I arrived at the Coventry University, no one would want to talk to me as I'm from a different area, don't look or talk like they do and that our personalities may clash, but segregation rarely existed between various colleges, the majority of people fused with one another. Many of the students who came from the same school, only stuck to their particular group, they may have tried to mingle but ended up associating with the same people.

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There is a lot of privacy in our flats and we are not necessarily always in the midst of the same persons every hour, which gives us time to rejuvenate our social skills. We each gained an insight into how our student ambassadors lived and coped at university, the relationship built between each of them and a level of reliability placed on one another. At the end of it all, no one really knows who you are, no one knows about your life, what you have been through and you'll probably never see them again, so we are all coming out of our shells and making an effort for our two and a half days at Coventry. I really enjoyed the experience and now I'm planning to go there to study journalism.

Family Thought Of The Week: "Grace is when God gives us what we don't deserve, Mercy is when God doesn't give us what we do deserve"

Holy Family Technology College Open Evening
 Prospective Year 7 Pupils for entry in September 2009
Thursday 2nd October at 7.00pm

Walthamstow House Site

Come and find out about the exciting opportunities for your son or daughter



Diocese of Brentwood
 Adult Rel. Education & Formation for Ministry



The Year of St Paul – 2008-2009

Autumn Term 2008

In the Footsteps of St Paul

for
Waltham Forest Deanery
 at
**Our Lady and St George, Parish Centre, Shernall Road,
 WALTHAMSTOW**

Dates/Time	Topic	Speaker
Mon. 13 th Oct. 7.30 – 9.30pm	St. Paul's conversion – Our conversion Who is Jesus for Paul?	Fr John Hemer, MHM, MA
Mon. 20 th Oct. 7.30 – 9.30pm	Paul and the Cross What is freedom for the Christian?	Fr John Hemer, MHM, MA
Mon. 3 rd Nov. 7.30 – 9.30pm	Faith and Culture What has St Paul to say to us today?	To be advised
Mon. 10 th Nov. 7.30 – 9.30pm	Transformed into the image of Christ	Sr Josette Zammit-Mangion, IBVM, MA

For further information contact the Adult Religious Education Office on
 01277 265219/257 or St George's Parish Office on 020 8520 5877

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**Friends of Holy Family Technology
 College**

Quiz Night

Saturday 18th October
Doors open at 7.00pm for a 7.30 start
Walthamstow Site

Fish and Chip Supper

Bring your own refreshments

Prize Raffle

Tickets £8.00 and £5.00 for students

Further details or to book a place
Tel Dave Ling 0208 556 0829

Please support this event and have fun!

School photographs

A reminder that school photographs will be
 taken:
 Years 7 & 8 on 24th. September
 Years 9-11 on 25th. September.

Sunday 28th September
 Youth Mass at St.Patrick's
 Blackhorse Road, 6-pm
 Free Barbeque
EVERYONE WELCOME!