



Saint Joseph's

CATHOLIC SCHOOL

18 October 2017

Dear Parent/Guardian

Candle Conference RS GCSE for Able, Gifted and Talented - Thursday 2 November 2017

We would like to offer your son/ daughter the opportunity to attend a day designed to support their learning in GCSE Religious Studies. Candle conferences are designed to extend and enrich students' learning, pacey lectures on key topics are interwoven with discussions, a debate and plenty of short "buzz" activities. A specially prepared pack of notes (including suggested activities and extension material) accompanies the events, providing an invaluable resource to support revision.

These conferences have been carefully designed to support the new GCSE specifications, focusing on the Beliefs and Teachings of Christianity and the core Ethics themes of Religion and Human Relationships, Religion and Life and Religion, Peace and Conflict.

The pupils will travel to the conference by mini-bus accompanied by Mr Blaho. There are only 15 places on this trip and they have been offered to able gifted and talented pupils.

The total cost of the trip will be £22.00. This sum covers the admission fee to the conference as well as the travel costs. The pupil's will leave St Joseph's at 8.00am and return at approximately 4.30pm

Pupils will be permitted to wear their own clothes and must bring a packed lunch

If you would like your child to attend this retreat please complete the attached slip and return to Mrs Scott, Finance Officer by Tuesday 31 October via pupil post located in reception.

Please pay online. To activate your School Gateway account all you need is your email address and mobile number that the school holds on record for you.

- Visit the website: www.schoolgateway.com and click on 'New User.' You will receive a text message with a PIN number. Use this PIN to log into School Gateway.
- **or**
- Download the app: If you have a smartphone, please download School Gateway from your app store (Android and iPhone). The app shows the same information as the website.

If your child is in receipt of Pupil Premium, there will be no charge for this trip.

Should you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at the school.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Le Ray
Teacher of Religious Studies

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I give permission for my child to attend the conference

Pupil's Name: Form:

- I enclose £22.00

- I have made a payment online.

Any dietary requirements? Yes/No (please specify.....)

Any medical conditions? Yes/No (please specify.....)

Parent/ Guardian signature

Emergency contact number: