

Reflection Sheet 4th - 8th September 2017

Wednesday, 6th September

This week we gather together as the community of St. Paul's as we start a new school year. We join together in prayer asking for God's help with our faith, our study, our friendships, our interests, and with everything that is part of our school.

*God our Father, we ask for your protection and care over us all as we begin a new academic year.
Bless us Lord with your tender mercy,
Give us your Light,
And guide us in your way of peace,
So that all we do this year will be according to your holy will. Amen.*

Thursday, 7th September

Inviting Christ into the Classroom

As we begin a new year together we remind ourselves that we are never alone and that God is always with us. We invite Jesus to be a part of our lives and all that we do.

*Lord Jesus,
We invite you into our classroom today.
Bless our minds and fill them with knowledge and wonder about your world.
Bless our hands as they become your hands of care and thoughtfulness to others.
Open our eyes to all our education offers us each day, and help us to learn your ways.
Fill our mouths with kind words that show appreciation to all.*

Forgive us when we forget that you are our guest.

Thank you for dwelling in our hearts, our classroom, and our school with your spirit, grace and love.

May we serve you with our learning and love what we do in your name.

We ask all of this through you, our greatest teacher of all. Amen.

Friday 8th September



Saint Teresa of Calcutta (1910-1997)

This week we remember Mother Teresa who worked with the poorest of the poor in Calcutta, India. She said that "being

unwanted is the most terrible disease a human being can experience." On the 4th of September in 1997 she died. She wrote this about dying: "When you die, the Lord will not ask you how much you have done with your life, but how much love you have put into the doing."

God our Father, may all of life's experiences lead us to grow as people who always put love into all that we do.

May we live in such a way that our attitude and words and actions reflect to all people their own value, dignity and self-worth, helping people to feel wanted and appreciated for who they are. Amen

**All Students and Staff are warmly welcome to attend our first
Mass for this term in the Chapel**

This Friday, 8th September at 7.30 am