



16th June 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

It is with deep sorrow that I write to share the heartbreaking news of the sudden and unexpected passing of one of our Year 9 students, Marvin Stephens.

Marvin passed away peacefully over the weekend. He was a warm, kind-hearted, and deeply cherished member of our school community. Marvin's presence brought joy to those around him, and his absence will be deeply felt by both students and staff alike.

This morning, we informed students of Marvin's passing during form time, offering them the space to reflect, ask questions and grieve in a supportive and safe environment. A dedicated prayer and reflection space has been available throughout the day, and our pastoral and counselling teams are on hand for any students who require additional support.

We remain in close contact with Marvin's family and are respecting their wishes in all aspects of our communication and response. We kindly ask for your understanding and support us in respecting their privacy at this time.

As a Catholic school, we draw strength from our shared faith, which teaches us to care for one another in times of sorrow and to place our hope in the promise of eternal life. Over the coming days, we will gather as a school to remember Marvin, pray for him and support one another through our grief.

If your child has been affected by this news and requires further support, please do not hesitate to contact us and/or see the attached information sheet and link below.

<https://www.childbereavementuk.org/information-when-a-child-dies>

Please keep Marvin, his family and all who are grieving in your thoughts and prayers.

Yours in service,

Adam Hall
Executive Headteacher

Alex O'Donoghue
Head of School