

Monday 28th March 2022



This week has seen the culmination of Mock Examinations for our Year 10 students, students have sat examinations in the hall for all of their subjects. These examinations, whilst importantly are a measure of the progress individual students are making also give them much needed experience of sitting examinations in a formal setting. Whilst examinations are not often a pleasurable experience for students I hope that they have found these useful as they go into their last 18 months of High School.

As I spoke about last week, the Art department are going full steam ahead with the owl to raise money for St. Elizabeth's Hospice as part of the Big Hoot Appeal. The owl looks fantastic and my thanks to the Art Department for all of their work on this. A large number of students have been heavily involved and every student in the school has their fingerprint on the owl for posterity. The winning name for the Owl is "Gracie" as described in the winning entry "after the Street on which the school is set and also in reference to Grace as a gift from God".

The appeal for donations to send to the Ukraine has been incredibly successful and we will make a delivery this week to the depot. It has been so heartening to see our school community respond with such kindness and generosity of spirit to the events in school over the past few weeks and again reminds me of the absolute power of compassion that young people show so frequently but perhaps is not always celebrated as it should be by wider society.

When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd

Mathew 9:36