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Dear Parent/Carer

Good news! We are writing to inform you that the school has been awarded second place in the national anti-bullying competition ran by the Diana Award. Your son has played an integral part in making this happen, and we wanted to write and express our congratulations to both him and to you.

For anti-bullying week, Year 10 students designed and sold anti-bullying wristbands every break and lunchtime of anti-bullying week. The funds raised from this went to Childline, the charity of the students' choice.

For a further two weeks, Year 12 students worked with Year 7 form tutors and senior colleagues to formulate teaching activities for all of Year 7 students in how to resolve conflict through using the school's Christian Values.

Following on from this, students in Year 10 and 12 have been involved in running a mentoring scheme whereby they help younger students to settle into school and work through issues which may affect them socially and academically.

Your son is also involved in our Volunteering Scheme, a programme which was entered into another national competition, this time for Volunteering. A Year 11 student at St Margaret's gained the most Volunteering hours this year and so won the award, which will be presented in London at the end of February. This means we have the gained second place for anti-bullying and first place for volunteering in schools for England and Wales.

We are truly proud of our students for what they have achieved. None of the ideas would have been put into action without the hard work and compassion shown by your son.

Please ensure that he adds these activities to his CV as these types of programmes will certainly make him stand out from the crowd.

Thank you for your continued support of the school.

Yours sincerely

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Principal

Miss Kinloch
Head of Learning for Life

Mrs Hart
Head of Year 7

Mr Lawton
Assistant Principal