Mission Action Day

Today we celebrated Mission Action Day. This is the day in our school year when we focus on Mission and Service for others. Our Special Catholic Character embodies the Gospel Values that come to us through the teachings of our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Our Founder, John Baptist de LaSalle had only one Mission in his life and that was to bring the poor young boys on the streets of Rheims into an encounter with Christ. He did this through education and service. Our school is named in memory of Francis Vernon Douglas, a man who strongly felt the call to bring the word of God to those who had no knowledge of this faith. In a letter to his mother before leaving for the Columban Missions he wrote “But God wants men out there. Here we speak of thousands who have not the faith of Christ. There we speak of tens of millions who have never heard His holy name.” Today we remember his sacrifice. Brother Julian chose the three colours of FDMC in 1959 as cardinal (red) for the sacrifice of Father Francis Vernon Douglas, blue for his devotion to Mary, Our Lady and gold for his glory with God in heaven.

Thank you to the boys and their families who raised funds for our twinned school, Malkanwala in Pakistan and thank you to those who brought coins today. While we have all found things difficult in these pandemic times we know that our Lasallian siblings who attend Malkanwala are in need of basic necessities such as cool water in the intense summer heat.

Most years after our Liturgy we participate in a Haka competition and a sponsored run but this was not possible this year, so our Year 13 Leaders organised tabloid sports activities and a fun scavenger hunt where they went looking for Lasallian Stars around our school. We also placed our donations in the Lasallian Star and we all stood around it as the drone took a photo from above.

Happy Mission Action Day.

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