

# 1719 – Vides Croxteth Visit



Within our school, we have recently held a selection process for our new 1719 society. Those who have been elected with a position onto the society had a chance on the 18<sup>th</sup> of May to attend the Vides centre in Croxteth. This was our first order of service since being selected so many of us were nervous and excited about what the day would consist of. The photo to the left shows us all together on this day.

Throughout the day, we completed many activities and workshops that had the main goal in mind of bonding us as a new team, discovering ourselves and planning the future. We began with formation lead by our amazing chaplain Sam. We were each given a piece of paper and the theme under the sea. It was then our task to design a drawing within 5 minutes, once the 5 minutes was up, we would then pass them on to the person next to us so they could then do the same. By the end, we had completely different drawings depending on what each person had added onto them. This activity taught us a lot about ourselves, for example whether we were hesitant to pass our drawing on or hesitant to add to somebody else's drawing in fear of ruining their idea. After this, within our strands we were given a number to design and paint as a team which when they were all put together read 1719. These will be added to our prayer box so we can always be reminded of our goals we set on this day.



At lunchtime, we had the opportunity to enjoy all our food brought whilst bonding as a group sat together. Once, we had finished our lunch, we all took part in a game of catch which was entertaining and refreshing. It was a time to release pressure off our shoulders before the hard work this year begins.



Finally, we ended the day with an effective planning session within each of our strands. This allowed us time to think of goals and achievements that we would like to be reached by the end of the year. We used the previous 1719's action plan to understand the main idea of what needed to be completed. These will then be constantly referred to in the future whilst other events may also be included when brought to our attention. By the end of the day, we were all smiling with all the work we had done so managed to even do some karaoke on the coach back! We look forward to many trips in the future and can't wait to make a real difference to De La Salle School. Thank you so much to Sister Anne Francis and all of the Sisters for having us for the day.

