# NEWSLETTER

No. 6



Send forth your spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth

Psalm 103

# Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents

This Sunday is Pentecost Sunday. The words above, from Psalm 103 will be read as part of the responsorial psalm during Mass and characterise not only the ancient Jewish view of the Spirit of God annually renewing the face of the natural world with flowering plant life, but also a widespread belief in the activity of a divine Spirit in many religious cultures around the world, both ancient and modern. All life is thereby seen in them as a divine gift of God to a divine creation. Pentecost Sunday has been seen as the starting point of the Catholic Church as it was this day that the Holy Spirit came to the disciples in the form of flames and bestowed on them the gift of languages, allowing them to go out and spread the Word of the Lord across all nations.

I am constantly amazed by our young people, many of whom have the ability to not only speak and write English to a very high standard but perhaps also another one or two languages. That is truly a gift. Linking to this, I have been fortunate to have led a number of meetings with our Heads of Department this week where we discussed the curriculum we will be offering our pupils next year. What is very apparent is the dedication and talent of the staff who are working with your children. These discussions are not complete but we do know that we will be following a different route next year, teaching a Knowledge Curriculum, building your child's store of key facts and enable them to become culturally rich. So, for example pupils will be looking at the roots of language by learning basic Latin in year 7 in their MFL classes and this will link with studying texts such as Chaucer's Canterbury Tales in English.

On Tuesday we had a visit from our School Improvement Partner from Sandwell Council. I am delighted to share that her visit was extremely positive. Her report highlights a rapid improvement in the

quality of provision for your children. Science teaching is mentioned as an area that has been transformed and in addition there is clear evidence that Leadership and Management of the school as a whole is now having a positive impact on teaching and learning across all subject areas.

This week marks the end of exams for many of our Year 11 pupils some of whom have taken over 20 exams across the past 3 weeks, they must be exhausted and truly deserving of a well-earned rest. I am sure you will join me in wishing them and their families a fantastic summer break. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank all staff teaching and non-teaching who have worked tirelessly over the past year to get your children ready for their examinations. In particular I would like to mention Mrs Martin and Mrs Bayley, the Year team who have supported them throughout the year.

On another note, June 17th marks the start of our 100% Compliance Culture. As I mentioned before this has been used to great effect in my previous school. I am sure that our pupils will in 99% of cases meet our very high expectations with regards to behaviour. They will need your support to do so. Can I ask that you check your child's school uniform in the morning? There is clear guidance on our website for you to refer to. We seem to have a growing number of girls who think that very short lycra skirts are uniform. They are not uniform and we will be sending pupils home to change if they arrive in these. Also acrylic nails and jewellery are not acceptable.

I must apologise for ending on a negative note but we are no longer able to subsidise bus fares to the extent we have been and so the bus fare will be rising to £2.50 as of September. Budget constraints and also a need for us to focus on spending money on the fabric of the school and the resources available in classrooms mean that we may be making more difficult decisions such as this in the future.

Many thanks for your continued support.

God Bless,

Mrs Morris

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# **Catholic Life**













# Archdiocese of Birmingham Lourdes Pilgrimage 2019

Over the half-term break I was fortunate to get the opportunity to travel with my family to Lourdes, a small town in the foothills of the Pyrenees. A significant pilgrimage destination for Catholics from around the world.

Travelling as part of the Birmingham Archdiocese, my role was with the liturgical music team providing music for the Masses and liturgies that would take place during the week. The music was led by Jo Boyce from CJM Music and Dan Callow from OneLife Music - two music ministries that are well known to the schools and parishes of our Archdiocese and beyond.

Lourdes is characterised by its fast moving weather and this week was no different. The patchy showers and downpours gradually gave way to warmer, sunnier days which were very welcome.

Archbishop Bernard Longley and Bishop David McGough presided over our group of around 600 pilgrims.

The Grotto of Masabielle, close to Lourdes, is where, in 1858 Mary appeared 18 times to a young French girl, Bernadette Soubirous - now St Bernadette. During the 9th apparition Mary instructed Bernadette to unearth a hidden spring of water which has subsequently become a source of miraculous healing.

The Birmingham Pilgrimage assists sick and needy parishioners in travelling to Lourdes to pray for Mary's intercession and to bathe in the water from the original spring. Sick pilgrims are accompanied and looked after by young volunteers from Birmingham schools. Stuart Bathurst has taken part in the pilgrimage in previous years and I would hope that we could do so again soon.

Watching hundreds of our young people - who often get a bad press - showing kindness, friendship and care to the sick pilgrims is humbling, and a reminder of one of the core tenets of our faith, "Love one another".

Over the week I rehearsed and played for 7 liturgies and 3 processions. The torchlight procession on Thursday night was a special highlight. We performed 2 songs as approxiametly 6000 pilgrims from around the world processed, each carrying a candle. The site of so many lights is quite special and it was fantastic to play in such a special setting.

It is always amazing that such a busy week can leave one feeling so refreshed.

**Mr Pepper** Leader of Music



# **Catholic Life**

#### **Virtues Awards**

Each week we will be commending students who have demonstrated one of the Catholic virtues, either in their studies or their actions.

This week's Virtues Awards go to:

Year	Student	Virtue Award					
Year 7 Year 7	Cody Bainbridge Freya Keen	Attentive Discerning					
Year 8 Year 8	Eleanor Meades Bradley Clews	Compassionate and loving Active					
Year 9 Year 9	Aaron Dixon Isabel Loach	Attentive Attentive					
Year 10 Year 10	Lewis Harrison Mollie May Brisett	Compassionate and loving Active in charity work					
Year 12 Year 12	Luqmann Patel Tabassam Amin	Intentional and prophetic Intentional and prophetic					
Year 13 Year 13	Liam McMulkin Hayley Chambers	Learned and wise Learned and wise					



This weekend a talented group of our performing arts students will be travelliong to Alton Castle in Staffordshire. They will be contributing to an event called World Youth Day at Home - WYD@home. The weekend programme is a local event based upon the themes of this year's international World Youth Day.

Students will be performing Born For This - a dramatic retelling of the Stations of the Cross. We are privileged to be working with Jo Boyce from CJM Music, the writer of all the songs in Born for This. A review of this will be in next week's newsletter!

The 15th international World Youth Day took place on January 22nd in Panama City. The gathering of approximately 11,000 Catholic youth, which takes place every two or three years, this year was held for the first time in Central America.

Pope St. John Paul II established World Youth Day in 1985. The first international gathering was held in Buenos Aires, Argentina in 1987. The purpose of World Youth Day is threefold: a celebration of and putting trust in the young; giving young people a chance to make pilgrimage; and to give young people a chance to encounter the worldwide Catholic community.

The theme for this year's gathering is taken from Mary's affirmation of God's will in Luke 1:38: "I am the servant of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word."

## **Happy Ramadan!**

This year, the Muslim festival of

Eid-al-Fitr begins on the evening of Tuesday 4 June.
The holiday marks the end of Ramadan, a month-long period of fasting and deep reflection.
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Translated from Arabic as "the feast of the breaking of the fast", Muslims observe the religious holiday by taking part in traditions such as holding prayer services and donating money to charity.

This week saw many of our families celebrate the end of Ramadan and we wish them all Eid Mubarak!

#### Mrs Jordan

Assistant Headteacher i/c Sixth Form & Catholic Life

There are many ways to celebrate this religious festival and everyone does so in their own way, but in the end, it revolves around families gathering to show gratitude to Allah (God) and celebrating the end of Ramadan. One of my favourite parts of Eid is decorating the house with your family, and the preparation leading up to Eid, including buying new clothes and wearing Mendhi.

#### Hanniya

Year 12





# Mr Mughal Head of Maths

My favourite book: Lord of the Rings My favourite film: Black Panther

My favourite hobby: Watching United (Manchester, obviously!)

My favourite teacher: Mr. Don – my Maths teacher for 7 years, made Maths really enjoyable and was always there to help with anything!

My favourite quotation: "Do not expect perfection to be achieved, but expect perfection to be attempted"

My favourite scripture: Romans 8:18 (NIV) - "I consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us."

My favourite Maths topic: Fibonacci (although let's face it – all of Maths is amazing!)

#### **Fact or Fiction:**

- 1. I have presented my own radio show.
- 2. I once failed my driving test for not wearing my seatbelt.
- 3. I eat chocolate just before I go to sleep every night.

# Miss Boden

Favourite book: Love you, Mean it Favourite film: Depends on the genre, but current favourite is Black Panther.

Favourite hobby: Eating

My favourite teacher: Mrs Clow, she was my mathematics teacher in high school and created my love of Maths.

**Favourite quote:** "You've gotta dance like there's nobody watching, Love like you'll never be hurt, Sing like there's nobody listening, And live like it's heaven on earth."

**Favourite scripture:** "Greater love has no one than this; to lay down one's life for one's friends." John 15:13

My favourite Maths topic: solving equations

#### **Fact or Fiction:**

- 1. My degree is actually in Accounting
- 2. I now work with one of my teachers
- 3. I wanted to be a firefighter when I was younger

# Mr Handley Lead Practitioner of Mathematics

My favourite book: Sherlock Holmes short stories. My favourite film: Shawshank Redemption.

My favourite hobby: Walking.

**My favourite teacher:** Mr Vanes from Primary school. He took 11 of us to football games in his own car. Safeguarding????

My favourite quotation: "You only live once, but if you do it right, once is enough."

My favourite scripture: "Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect."

My favourite Maths topic: All algebra.

#### **Fact or Fiction:**

- 1. I played semi-professional football.
- 2. I played in the nation schools basketball final
- 3. Me and a group of friends turned up to Trent Bridge for a test match on a Saturday with tickets for Friday.



## Mr Chirwa

My favourite book: Cry The Beloved Country- Alan Paton Mandela: Long Walk To Freedom- Nelson Mandela

My favourite film: Rush Hour 1, 2 and 3

**My favourite hobby:** Playing Darts (in my garage of course) having one or two and watching Sports especially Football, Darts, Tennis and Athletics.

**My favourite teacher:** Mrs Ndlovu (my secondary school Maths teacher-she set the bar of 90% as my lowest mark I should get in assessments. Anything below 90% was considered a fail)

#### My favourite quotes:

The choices you make will turn the pages of your life. If a child can't learn the way we teach, maybe we should teach the way they learn.

Honesty is a very expensive gift. Don't expect it from cheap people.

My favourite scripture: Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy Matthew 5:7

My favourite Maths topic: Composite Functions

#### **Fact or Fiction:**

- 1. I once drove a Lamborghini
- 2. I have a basketball coaching certificate
- 3. I once held an Olympic Torch from one of the runners when it passed through the West Midlands.

# More of the Maths Team

## Mr Sandhu

KS5 Theme Leader for Maths

Favourite book: When daisies talk by Mica Montana.

Favourite film: Singh is King Favourite hobby: Swimming

My favourite teacher: Mr Walters, my Maths teacher

**Favourite quote:** "It ain't over til it's over."

**Favourite scripture:** "Be on your guard, stand firm in faith, be

courageous, be strong." Corinthians 16:13

#### **Fact or Fiction:**

- 1. My previous job was at a hospital.
- 2. I have climbed Mont Blanc.
- 3. I can speak 7 languages

# Miss Limbu Maths Teacher

Favourite book: Digital Fortress by Dan Brown

Favourite film: The Fifth Element Favourite hobby: Running and Baking

My favourite teacher: My University tutor, Prof. Kühn. She was

very supportive and helpful during university.

**Favourite quote:** "A picture is worth a thousand words"

**Favourite scripture:** "Rejoice always; pray without ceasing; in

everything give thanks ..." (Thessalonians 5:16-18)

#### **Fact or Fiction:**

- 1. I have ran two half marathons.
- 2. I once finished reading two books in four hours.
- 3. Last year I visited Prague, Barcelona and Sweden.

## Mrs Patel

Teacher of Maths & NQT Coordinator

Favourite book: As a child - all of the Roald Dah recently 'Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine' by

Favourite film: The Jungle Book or Beauty and original Disney versions), and all the Harry Potter films. **Favourite hobby:** Spending time with my family.

Favourite teacher: Miss Mann, my Maths teacher at school who inspired me to teach Maths.

**Favourite scripture:** Hebrews 11:1 "Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see."

Favourite Maths topic: Anything that involves algebra

#### Favourite quote:

Today you are you, that is truer than true. There is no one alive who is youer than you." Dr Seuss

#### **Fact or Fiction:**

- 1. I used to work in a bank.
- 2. I can speak Spanish and German.
- 3. I have a pet parrot.

Teacher of Maths & Numeracy Lead

**Favourite book:** The Simpsons and their Mathematical Secrets by Simon Singh

**Favourite film:** Apollo 13 or Twister (but I'm currently watching all the MCU movies for the first time and really enjoying them). **Favourite hobby:** Listening to music, the heavier the better. Christian heavy metal - if you've never heard any, ask me about it.

My favourite teacher: Mr Fairclough, a PE teacher that is currently the manager of the England C Soccer Team. He is the reason I now teach and he supported me after being bullied. I told him the impact he'd had on my life when I once saw him scouting for Stevenage FC. He got quite emotional, which isn't the best look for a soccer scout at an away ground.

**Favourite quote:** "When I was 5 years old, my mother always told me that happiness was the key to life. When I went to school, they asked me what I wanted to be when I grew up. I wrote down 'happy'. They told me I didn't understand the assignment, and I told them they didn't understand life." John Lennon.

#### **Favourite scripture:**

Matthew 25:23 - "His master replied, 'Well done, good and faithful

My favourite Maths topic: Algebra (using it to solve problems in other areas of Maths).

#### **Fact or Fiction:**

- 1. I once appeared on Grange Hill
- 2. I won a prize for the best dancer on Top Of The Pops
- 3. I once dated Claire from Steps.

## Mr Holder

Assistant Headteacher - Data and Outcomes

My favourite book: Legacy by James Kerr a book about lessons that can be learnt from the All Blacks rugby team.

My favourite film: Anything superhero based - DC or Marvel.

My favourite hobby: Rugby and weightlifting

#### My favourite teacher:

Mr Zaidel - PE teacher - he inspired me to want to become a teacher. Always had a smile on his face and fantastic at creating relationships with students.

#### My favourite quotation:

Hard work beats talent when talent is lazy.

#### My favourite scripture:

Galatians 6:14 - May I never boast except in the cross of our LORD Jesus Christ, through which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.



# This Week in History

#### 4<sup>th</sup> June 1913



The Suffragette Emily Wilding Davison travelled to Epsom to promote Votes for Women.

Historians are still unsure as to what exactly her intentions were on that day, and it probably wasn't to end in her being fatally injured because she did in fact buy a return train ticket from London.

Miss Davison famously walked out from under the barrier at Tattenham Corner during the Derby and was knocked down. The horse which hit her belonged to King George V and was called Anmer. It is believed that Miss Davison wanted to disrupt the race by walking onto the course and waving her Votes for Women sash. Herbert Jones, the rider suffered minor injuries, Anmer got up, and riderless, finished the race. Miss Davison died four days later of her injuries. Year 8 pupils will be studying the Suffragettes this term to find out more about their aims, and methods of getting the vote.

## Mrs Watt

Head of History

#### 6th June 1944



The Normandy landings took place and saw

the Allied invasion of Normandy in Operation Overlord during World War II. It is commonly known as D-Day, and was the largest seaborne invasion in history. The intention was to begin the liberation of Germanoccupied France (and later Western Europe), and lay the foundations of the Allied victory on the Western Front. The amphibious landings were preceded by aerial and naval bombardment. Allied infantry began landing on the coast of France at 06:30 on the beaches which were codenamed: Utah, Omaha, Gold, Juno, and Sword. This year marks the 75<sup>th</sup> commemoration of these events, with services taking place in Normandy during this week. Pupils will be looking at events in the Second World War next term as part of their Year 9 History

## 8<sup>th</sup> June 793



Viking raiders attacked the island of Lindisfarne, off the north-east coast of England. They destroyed the abbey there and killed all the monks in it. Also the treasures which were held there were taken by the Scandinavians.

This was to be the first of many attacks on Saxon England, leading eventually to many Vikings settling in this part of the country and influencing the way we live, including introducing many words to our language including: nasty, ugly, welcome, Thursday, knife and husband.

#### **History - Battlefields Trip**

Deposit Deadline extended to Tue 11<sup>th</sup>
June for the Y8 & Y9 fieldtrip to the First
World War battlefields in Sept 2020.

Any interested students without a letter can speak to the History Dept. to secure their place.

Deposits must be sent to the travel company by Friday 14th June to confirm our booking; we are not able to extend it beyond this date.

Literacy & Numeracy Challenges

## **NUMERACY CHALLENGE**

Thirteen nations competed in a sports tournament. Unfortunately, we do not have the final medal table, but we do have the following pieces of information:

course.

- 1. Turkey and Mexico both finish above Italy and New Zealand.
- Portugal finished above Venezuela, Mexico, Spain and Romania
- 3. Romania finished below Algeria, Greece, Spain and Serbia.
- 4. Serbia finished above Turkey and Portugal, both of whom finished below Algeria and Russia.
- Russia finished above France and Algeria.
- 6. Algeria finished below France but above Serbia and Spain.
- 7. Italy finished belwo Greece and Venezuela, but above New Zealand.
- 8. Venezuela finished above New Zealand but below France
- 9. Greece finished below Turkey, who came below France.
- 10. Portugal finished below Greece and France.
- 11. France finished above Serbia, who came above Mexico.
- 12. Venezuela finished below Mexico, and New Zealand came above Spain.



Can you recreate the medal table from this information?
Can you describe an efficient strategy for solving problems like this?

If you complete this, send it in to me at numeracy@stuart-bathurst.org.uk

# WORD OF THE WEEK

# notorious

adjective:

famous or well known for a negative quality or action.

Can you

Fhink of a synonym for this word? Use this word in a sentence? Test your friend on the spelling of the word?









8W	41
81	13
8S	3
8D	26
80	11
8M	11

9W	33
91	27
9S	3
9D	2
90	12
9M	45



10W	70
<b>10</b> I	180
10S	91
10D	34
100	71
10M	18

11W	644					
111	48					
11S	2261					
11D	133					
110	38					
11M	2077					
11EN1	78					
11EN2	70					



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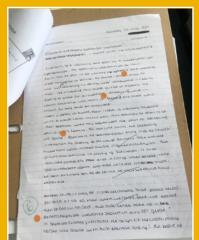


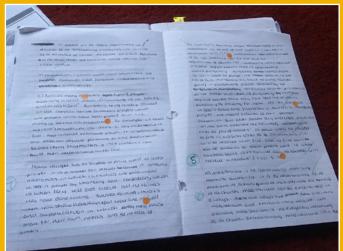
# **UNDER THE SPOTLIGHT**

Showcasing Student Excellence

High quality work that our students have produced this week
Well done to everyone mentioned below.

Keep up the great work!







#### YEAR 7

Mr Connelly & Mrs Letford

#### **CLASS CHARTS**

#### Top 3 students - last week:

- 1. MADANIYAH SALEEM (7I)
- 2. IMANI MURRAY (7W)
- 3. HSAAN NISAR (7W)

#### Top 3 students - this half term:

- 1. CASEY CLEWS (70
- 2. TAKIRA KELDO (71)
- 3. BETHANY SIMCOX (7M)

#### Top 3 students - since September:

- 1. TAKIRA KELDO (7I) 1064
- 2. CASEY CLEWS (70) 103
- 3. JONATHON SMITH (7M) 1025

I have been pleased to see Year 7 return from the Half-Term break.

As we begin the term, I am reminded that it has been a real privilege to see how far the cohort has come since those first few trepid days in September.

This week Year 7 have attended an assembly by PC Treasure from West Mercia Police about social media, there were some important lessons about online conduct.

Once again, I enjoyed seeing some of the year group roll up their sleeves and produce some fantastic shortbread biscuits.





## YEAR 8

Mr Smith & Mr Dawes

#### **CLASS CHARTS**

#### Top 3 students - last week:

- 1 AMIF ATKINS 31
- 2. KOREY HAZELWOOD 24
- 3. SHANE WOOD 24

#### Top 3 students - this half term:

- 1. AMIE ATKINS 138
- 2. KEELIE RAYBOULD 135
- 3. PRABSIMRAN SIRAN 128

#### **Top 3 students - since September:**

- 1. AMIE ATKINS 1146
- 2. PRABSIMRAN SIRAN 1046
- 3. KEIRA SOUTHAM 951

So it is the final push towards year 9, with an exciting half term to look forward to. Sports Week is a few weeks away and each form group have created teams for different sports. It was fantastic to teach the B half of year 8 rugby this week; they showed a fantastic attitude and application to the sport showing a very high standard of quality. Joseph Eccles, Samuel Bromley, Jai Gharu and Daniel Ndou displaying some outstanding work.

I would also like to highlight Desianae Franklin-Johnson this week, who has shown an excellent contribution to the community this week and is a shining star within our year group. I would urge all of our students to follow in Desianae's lead.

I want to encourage all students to use GCSEPod this half term. If you are having trouble accessing this, then please come and speak to Mr Dawes or myself. GCSEPod is a fantastic tool, which will really help you make progress as you prepare yourself for year 9.

## YEAR 9

Miss Adams & Mrs Newell

#### **CLASS CHARTS**

#### Top 3 students - last week:

- 1 BANITA KAUR 18
- 2. DEMI-LEIGH FOX 16
- 3. REECE WARDLEY & DYLAN UPPAL 13

#### Top 3 students - this half term:

- 1. OWEN LEADBEATER 133
- 2. CHRISSIE MARTIN 131
- 3. AMELIA CLARK & JODIE HACKETT 123

#### Top 3 students - since September:

- 1. CHRISSIE MARTIN 1239
- 2. AMELIA CLARK 1081
- 3. TREVOR MCLAUGHLIN 1030

Welcome back Year 9, we hope you had a lovely half term!

The Year 9 team would like to thank all those parents/guardians and students who attended Year 9 Parents Evening on Wednesday 5th June 2019. For those who were unable to attend we would like to take this opportunity to provide you with the following information:

- · Year 9 exams start w/c 17th June 2019
- · Please can we ensure that all students are adhering to the school policy on uniform, which can be found on our school website.
- · 100% Compliance starts 17th June 2019

#### YEAR 10

Mrs McCallum & Mrs Booker

#### **CLASS CHARTS**

#### Top student - last week:

- 1. JOSHUA WEBB
- 2. SCOTT DETHERIDGE
- 3. ZARA ALI

#### Top student - this half term:

- 1. ZOYA IOBAL
- 2. VIVEK BAINS
- 3. SCOTT DETHERIDGE

#### Top 3 students - since September:

- 1. SABJOT SINGH
- 2. JOSHUA GREEN
- 3. JOSHUA JACKSON

Congratulations to Lewis Harrison and Molly May Brissett, who were awarded certificates for putting into practice some of our school virtues.

Year 10 should be busy revising for their mock exams which will take place over two weeks beginning on the 18th June. All pupils have been issued with their individual exam timetable. A copy of the mock exam timetable is attached.

Well done to the year 10 pupils who participated in a workshop held by the Speakers Trust. The aim of the workshop

was to build pupils communication skills and confidence, to encourage them to speak out. A number of pupils were selected to deliver a speech during the year 10 assembly, two pupils will then be selected to participate in the regional finals, with a prize awarded to the winning pupil.

#### **Charity Fundraising**

This term year 10 pupils are fundraising for the Alzheimer's Society.

Y10 MOCK EXAM TIMETABLE ON PAGE 10!

## **YEAR 11**

Mrs Martin & Mrs Bayley

#### **CLASS CHARTS**

#### Top 3 students - last half-term:

- 1. AALIYAH ALI
- 2. EMILY BINSLEY
- 3. JAMIE-LEIGH GLOVER

#### Top 3 students - since September:

- 1. JORDANN COMPTON
- 2. OLIVIA THOMPSON
- 3. EMILY ABOAGYE

Massive well done to Year 11 who continue to impress us each week of the GCSE exams. All students remain focused, although very tired, and are working well in all revision sessions. Next week is our final week of GCSE exams.

Please find the timetable for exam week 3 ON PAGE 10.

Keep it up Yr11 – 3 down 1 to go!

NEXT WEEK'S GCSE EXAM TIMETABLE ON PAGE 10!

## 6th Form

Mrs Jordan & Mrs Meacham

This first week after the May break has seen a busy start to the week with Year 13 A Level exams keeping our students busy and focused.

Year 12 are preparing for their Mock examinations which take place at the end of June and they are preparing well for the challenge of these important examinations.

Our Sir Douglas Pathways to Healthcare students, namely Umaymah.A, Ethan.B, Mandeep.K and Rachel.P have been busy at Aston Medical school securing work experience placements and attending crucial voluntary work to support their future career aspirations.

Aston University - WEX Preparation Day. Whilst Hamnah and Ethan in year 12 have enjoyed a day at the University of Birmingham Medical school on a UCAS/UKAT Day.

Charity continues to feature in the lives of our Year 12s with 12H donating to Breaking Bread Foodbank in order to support the most vulnerable in society.

Year 12 will begin the UCAS application process this coming week. Mrs Jordan will be delivering a bespoke training session to support them in this and all students should explore university and degree courses to support their focus and completion of personal statements and university applications.

Mrs Wright and 130 have given of their free time to varnish and care for the altar in our school chapel and they are doing a fine job! As we continue through our examination season we ask all parents to support our Year 13s in keeping to their revision programmes and ensuring that they maintain a healthy balance between work and recreation time.

## WEEKLY ATTENDANCE



11W = 96.4%

**7I = 95.7%** 

**11S = 95.6%** 

11EN1 = 95%

**110** = **94.2**%

# SPORTS WHAT 2019

COMING SOON - GET READY TO COMPETE!

## Year 10 mock exam timetable WEEK 1

Please see Mrs McCallum or Miss Booker or individual class teachers for further details.

Year 10	
mock exam	
timetable	•
WEEK 2	

Please see Mrs McCallum or Miss Booker or individual class teachers for further details.

	17/06/2019	18/06/2019	19/06/2019	20/06/2019	21/06/2019
Period 1		English Language WT Mock	RE (1hr 30min)	Geography (1hr 30min)	History (2hr)
Period 2					
Period 3		English Literature – paper 1 (1hr 45min)	Biology (1hr 15 min) Triple Biology	English Literature – paper 2 (2hr 15 min)	GCSE PE (1hr 45min) Food Technology
Period 4			(1hr 45 min)	(2nr 15 min)	(1hr) Psychology (1hr 45min)
Period 5		Design and Technology (1hr) BTEC Sport (1hr)	French (1hr)		French (45 min)

	24/06/2019	25/06/2019	26/06/2019	27/06/2019	28/06/2019
Period 1	Maths – Non Calculator (1hr 30min)	Computer Science (1hr 30min)	Maths - Calculator (1hr 30min)	Physics (1hr 15min)	Maths – Calculator (1hr 30min)
Period 2				Triple Physics (1hr 45min)	
Period 3	Chemistry (1hr 15min)	English Language (2hr)	Geography (1 hr 15min)	GCSE PE (1hr 15min)	Computer Science (1 hr 30min)
Period 4	Triple Chemistry (1hr 45min)				
Period 5	RE (1hr)				

## GCSE Exam Timetable week beginning Mon 10<sup>th</sup> June

Core Subject Exam

Option Subject Exam

Timetabled Revision Lessons

	Monday 10th June		Tuesday 11th June		Vednesday 12th June		Thursday 13th June			Friday 14th June					
	A Half	B Half	Exams	A Half	B Half	Exams	A Half	B Half	Exams	A Half	B Half	Exams	A Half	B Half	Exams
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# On the following pages we share information from local services and charities.

This week we share the summer newsletter for **Sandwell Parents for Disabled Children**. It is packed full of activities and sessions taking place over the holidays.

Please pass this newsletter on to any families who you think may find these activities useful.

## **FAMILY ACTIVITIES**

(All family members welcome)

# Sycamore Adventure Playground Tuesday 23rd July

Meet at Sycamore Adventure Playground, Old Park Farm Estate, Dudley, DY1 3QE. There is outdoor play, water play, a sensory room, climbing frames, go karts & more. The session will take place from 9.30am till 12pm. There is a snack bar on site where you can purchase hot & cold drinks and hot & cold snacks. £3.00/child.

# Blackwell Adventure Wednesday 31st July

Come along to Blackwell Court, Agmore Rd, Blackwell, Bromsgrove B60 1PX. The whole family will have the opportunity to take part in a variety of activities like Zipwire, Tree Trek, 3G swing & more. Then you can relax in the outdoor swimming pool. Arrive at 9.30am until 5pm (approx.) £6/person. Please bring a packed lunch.

# Family Canoeing. Monday 5th August

Join us for an exciting session of family canoeing at the Malthouse Stables, Hurst Lane, Tipton, DY4 9AB. There will be three sessions running from 10am-11.30am, 12pm-1.30pm & 2pm-3.30pm. Spaces are limited so please book early. Sessions are £3/ person. Maximum cost of £6/family.

# Family Multisports Day Wednesday 24th July

Meet at Portway Lifestyle Centre, Newbury Lane, Oldbury, B69 1HE for a session of exciting family activities which will include hula hoops, an optional session in the hydrotherapy pool, soft archery, target games & team games. The session will run from 10.30am-12.30pm and will cost £1.50/person Max £6/family.

# Watersports at Sneyd Thursday 1st August

Join us for a session of paddle boarding & raft building at Sneyd Water Activities Centre, Vernon Way, Walsall, WS3 2PA. The session will take place from 9.30am-12pm or 12.30pm-3pm. The whole family can take part. Don't forget a change of clothes. You will get wet! The activity will cost £3/person. Maximum cost of £6/family.

## Conkers Tuesday 6th August

Meet the coach at 8.45am at The Meadows, Dudley Road East, Oldbury, B69 3BU and join us for a day out at Conkers in the National Forest. You can try out the bare foot walk, explore the warrens or brave the high ropes. There are indoor & outdoor play areas. Some activities may have an additional charge. The cost is £5.50/person, £3.00/under 3's.

#### **FAMILY ACTIVITIES CONTINUED...**

# Family Fun Day Thursday 8th August

SPDC are holding a fun filled family day at Tipton Sports Academy, Wednesbury Oak Road, Tipton, DY4 OBS. The day will start at 10am where you will have the first hour to experience AIR MAYHEM, a huge inflatable with slides and an obstacle course. At 11am there will be stalls, games, face painting, BBQ, animal experiences & magic! This event will finish at 1pm. FREE ENTRY but you must book.

# Narrow Boat Tuesday 13th August

Meet the coach at 9.15am at The Meadows, Dudley Road East, Oldbury, B69 3BU. You will be transported to Staffordshire to take a leisurely trip along the canal on the narrow boat. There are only 40 spaces available. Drinks & biscuits will be provided but feel free to bring along a packed lunch. You will return to The Meadows at approximately 2pm. The cost is £4/ person, Maximum £10/family.

# Weston Super Mare Wednesday 14th August

Meet the coach at 8.45am at The Meadows, Dudley Road East, Oldbury, B69 3BU and join us for a day out at the seaside! Weston has lots of places to eat & shop. Stroll along the promenade or build sand castles on the beach. Visit the Grand Pier or the SeaQuarium. The cost is £6/person, £3.00/under 3's.

#### **ACTIVITIES FOR AGE 4-11 YEAR OLDS**

# Horseriding Thursday 25th July

Join us at Warrens Hall Riding Stables, 218
Oakham Road, Tividale, B69 1PY for a session
of horse riding. The session will run from
10.30am-12pm and will cost £4/child. Please
note: You must be 5yrs old to ride. Bring a
packed lunch and join us for a picnic from
12pm-1pm. NO TRAINERS FOR RIDING
PLEASE!

# Pop up Arcade Wednesday 7th August

This brand new activity is taking place at The Meadows School, Dudley Road East, Oldbury, B69 3BU. From 10am-12.30pm. You will find the latest gaming consoles like PS4 & Xbox along with the latest games like Minecraft, Fifa & Super Smash Brothers. VR Headsets, arcade style seats with large projector screen & 8 player games will be available. £3/child. A drink & biscuit will be provided.

### Aerial Workshop Friday 2nd August

Meet at Portway Lifestyle Centre, Newbury Lane, Oldbury, B69 1HE to join RoguePlay's circus artists who will be showing us how to fly high using the static trapeze, silks and the aerial hoop. A great chance to gain new skills and build confidence. The session will run from 10am-1pm and will cost £3/child.

## <u>RSPB</u>

#### Friday 16th August

Come along to Sandwell Valley RSPB Bird Reserve, Tanhouse Avenue, Birmingham, B43 5AG to take part in a range of outdoor activities like campfire cooking, pond dipping & pebble painting. The session will run from 10.30am - 12.30pm but you can bring a picnic lunch and stay until 1.30pm.

The session will cost £3/child.

#### **ACTIVITIES FOR AGE 11-18 YEAR OLDS**

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## **ACTIVITIES FOR PARENT/CARERS**

# Emotional Resilience Workshop Tuesday 7th July & Wednesday 17th July

Come along to The Old Vicarage, 44 Bratt Street West Bromwich, B70 8SB to take part in a workshop covering emotional & behavioural issues. The workshop will be run by a qualified Occupational Therapist. It's recommended that you complete both workshops. The cost will be £5/person for both sessions.





























## **LATEST NEWS!**

## SPDC are moving office!

SPDC will be moving to new premises soon. The date is yet to be confirmed so if you plan on coming to our Bratt Street office to pay for activities, please call before you come as we may not be here!

## **SEN Family Swimming Sessions**

During all school holidays Sandwell Leisure Trust are now offering FREE swimming sessions reserved especially for children with SEND and their families. These sessions will provide a calmer environment for families to attend. The new sessions are Monday - Portway Lifestyle Centre 9am-10.30am, Tipton Leisure Centre 10am-11am, Wednesday - Langley Leisure Centre 10am - 11 am and Friday - Wednesbury Leisure Centre 1.15pm - 2.15 pm.

#### **Fun Day Donations**

We are looking for donations for our Family Fun Day in August. If you can donate sweets, drinks, cakes, raffle prizes, lucky bag items or books, DVDs or CDs we would really appreciate it. You can call us on 0121 553 2093.

#### Thank you!

SPDC would like to say a huge thank you to the following companies for donations we have received.

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