



HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Welcome to our Newsletter.

This week's Gospel reading tells the story of the Rich Man and Lazarus. The fates of these two individuals after death are very much tied to their experiences of wealth and poverty in this life. The story focuses on the reversal of fortunes that takes place after Lazarus and the rich man die and links our experience after death with how we behave towards others less fortunate than ourselves in this life. It is a powerful message and one that reflects our core Gospel values as a school. In particular, our Jesuit values of being grateful and generous, compassionate and loving, faith-filled and hopeful and eloquent and truthful are borne out in this beautiful piece of liturgy.

Very often the Gospel readings also reflect what we see on a daily basis in our community. This week I have been amazed at the generosity of spirit and time from both our staff and students in preparing for and delivering our Open Evening on Tuesday. We had some amazing displays in our departments, with fun activities too. Some students performed for a very large audience and I would like to commend Anna, Corey and Charlotte on their solos. Eloquence and truth were evident from our pupil speakers from Year 7 and Sixth Form, they were fantastic. The dance group and Shakespeare Schools drama group deserve a huge round of applause too.

I have said before that I have enormous pride in our school and this week I have seen very clearly that our staff and students share that pride. With this steadfast determination we will do and be of our best. We are a community working together to achieve the very best and be the very best that we can be. The attendance at the Open Evening of approximately 150 young people with their families is testament to the fact that we are now being recognised in the wider community as a good school with a lot to offer. I am grateful for that and I have a huge amount of hope for the future too.

Our capacity to show compassion and love was displayed on Friday when our school raised approximately £400 for MacMillan Cancer Care selling cakes donated from you as parents and also the staff and students too. I have used the word approximately as there was so much cake donated we will have to continue selling it during the coming week and will undoubtedly raise more money from that. It was lovely to see some of you coming in and joining us for a cup of tea and a piece of cake. Well done to the Sixth Formers who organised and ran the event; it was a great success and their enthusiasm should be bottled and sold! We could all do with some of their effervescence at times.

I would like to offer my heartfelt thanks for everyone's generosity and also ask for some more assistance from our community.

I would like to hold a charity event around the celebration of Diwali and would appreciate any input from our parents. If you are interested in helping could you please contact my PA - Mrs A Causer and leave your name and I will get back to you.

In other news, we are expecting our gates to be installed this weekend. I did write in the Newsletter last week about what this will mean for those of you who collect your children or drop them off in the morning. Please be aware that these changes will be coming into force this week. Remember we are doing this to safeguard our children.

Finally, more good news! On Friday, I met with some senior officials from the Local Authority. They are monitoring our progress closely since the OFSTED judgement last September and I want to share with you their congratulations. The congratulations go to the students and staff for the amazing progress across all areas since February. This has been evidenced during both their visits to school and also in our recent exam results. My thanks go to you as parents for supporting the school in what has been a time of rapid change.

Another fantastic week- well done Stuart Bathurst Catholic School – we have a lot to be proud of and in those age old teacher words “Keep it up!”

God Bless,
Mrs Morris

YEAR 7

I was overwhelmed with pride this week with our students who spoke to the prospective parents at Open Evening. Jayden Bosley and Isabelle McGuigan presented themselves with impeccable uniform, shared their experience of transition and spoke with a confidence and clarity of thought that was way beyond their years. Congratulations to you both!

In addition, we would like to congratulate the year 7 Dancers who performed the opening dance. You were fantastic and we are all very proud of you.

We would also like to thank all parents and students who have produced and bought

cakes for the Macmillan coffee morning.

Students have been using their knowledge organisers for the first time this week and learning that to do and be of their best is a personal choice and their education starts with their own effort and application.

Reminders for this week: any outstanding photo, tie, or retreat money is to be handed into finance in a sealed envelope with your name and form on. As the weather is starting to change please ensure your child brings a coat during wet and cold weather and that their name is written in it.

Mrs Pepper & Mrs Bayley

CLASS CHARTS

Top 3 students this week:

1. JOSEPH MULLINS
2. IGOR POCZEK
3. JULIA CIUREJA



A good person can make another person good; it means that goodness will elicit goodness in the society; other persons will also be good.

Bhumibol Adulyadej

YEAR 8

On Thursday, the year 8 retreat took place. The theme for the day was 'I belong'. The whole year group really embraced the day and fully participated in all of the activities. Some of the activities included human bingo, learning some new songs and helping to create paper stars, which were then placed around the altar during the Mass.

I was overwhelmed by the number of year 8 pupils who helped with the recent Open Evening. A number of pupils worked with our 6th form pupils to show them around school, whilst others helped out in subject areas. They were a credit to themselves and the school.

Mrs McCallum
Mrs Letford



CLASS CHARTS

Top 3 students this week:

1. IMANI MURRAY
2. MACAULAY PERRY
3. JAHEAL WATKISS

Top 3 students this half-term:

1. TAKIRA KELDO
2. IMANI MURRAY
3. JAHEIM PHIPPS

YEAR 9

I have been extremely proud of Year 9 this week. The amount of students from our year group that helped out at Open Evening was fantastic to see. This is something which will become key for the year group, as they now become role models around the school. I would like to say a massive thank you and well done to the students that gave up their free time to showcase what a wonderful school we have.

Next week, the group will be taking part in CPR and First Aid sessions with Mr Drury. This will be something that they will have the ability to use for the rest of their lives. Please ask your children about this over the next week!

More good news, well done to Bradley Clews and Stefan Gayle for representing the school at the Shakespeare School's Festival workshop at the Old Rep Birmingham. The feedback from Mr Pepper was that you were amazing, as always!

All students have now been given knowledge organisers, that they need to be using on a regular basis to reaffirm their understanding of the subjects they are taught. If any students are unsure of how to use them, please ask a member of staff who will be happy to help.

Here's to another good week Year 9!

Mr Smith
Miss Newell

CLASS CHARTS

Top 3 students this week:

1. HALEEMA BI
2. KOREY HAZELWOOD
3. DESIANAE FRANKLIN-JOHNSON

YEAR 10

This week myself and Mr Summers had the absolute pleasure of taking 18 Year 10 students to High Adventure in Cowling, North Yorkshire. All students took part in road cycling and rock climbing to support their GCSE PE practical grades. Students have shown great enthusiasm in achieving some outstanding grades. They have all been a credit to the school.

On Tuesday 24th September, it was the school's Open Evening for our potential future Year 7 students. A number of Year 10 students supported with this evening, in a number of faculty areas. On behalf of the year 10 team, we would like to say thank you, we are very proud of you all.

Miss Adams
Mrs Newell

Reminders:

Work Experience: 10/02/2020

Year 10 GCSE Mocks: 15/06/2020



CLASS CHARTS

Top 3 students this week:

1. TREVOR MCLAUGHLIN
2. GURKEERAT SINGH
3. RAHEEMA MOTARA

Top 3 students this half-term:

1. RAHEEMA MOTARA
2. AMAR SAEED
3. LUKE OLIVER

YEAR 11

Year 11 are now in their fourth academic week and the Summer Holidays now feel like a distant memory. On Monday 23rd September, the Drama students visited the Old Rep Theatre in Birmingham where they were able to rehearse using state of the art facilities. This week has seen record breaking attendance to the HWPO sessions for Geography and Chemistry! On Monday I spoke to all the year group about key dates for the Autumn Term:

Next week: Assessment Week - during this time teachers will be checking students' knowledge and understanding of what they have learnt so far.

Monday 7th -11th October:

French Speaking Exams

Thursday 24th October:

Getting Mock read evening- details to follow

4th – 15th November:

Mock Exams

Students also understand that they should be filling in their Self-Quizzing exercise books each evening. As always if you have any questions or require support please do not hesitate to contact us.

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CLASS CHARTS

Top 3 students this week:

1. THOMAS HICKINBOTTOM
2. CHLOE MEADES
3. SABJOT SINGH

SIXTH FORM

This week has seen our Year 13 UCAS candidates prepare in earnest for their UCAS applications to university and we have enjoyed training sessions which have allowed our students to showcase their gifts and talents. We have enjoyed supporting our Year 13 apprenticeship candidates in applying for advanced level programmes which highlight the calibre of young people that are part of our sixth form community.

Our new Sixth Form support clinic is up and running and Mrs Torsney offers individual support on a Thursday after school where students can receive bespoke support in developing advanced literacy and written communication skills.

On Tuesday evening we held our annual Open Evening and prospective Year 7 parents enjoyed piano performances from our Sixth Form music cohort and a Dance performance led by the A Level Dance group with lower school students.

Such performances highlight the gifts and talents of our students and we were proud to see them perform with such confidence and passion. Tasharna Harris, head girl and Luqmaan Patel, head boy, gave warm words of welcome and articulated clearly, what it means to belong to Stuart Bathurst.

Mrs Y Jordan
Miss Meacham



OCTOBER THE MONTH OF THE ROSARY



During the month of October, we focus especially on Our Lady, and pray the Rosary. The Rosary is a prayer to remind us that Jesus loved us so much that he died on the cross for us. The Rosary tells the story of Jesus' life in four parts:

The Joyful Mysteries

The Sorrowful Mysteries

The Glorious Mysteries

The Luminous Mysteries

Catholics have been given a very special gift in the rosary. Each time we pray the Rosary we should focus on Jesus' life as well as a special person or intention that we want to pray for.

ST DOMINIC & THE ROSARY

Dominic was a priest who founded the Dominican order in the year 1215. The Dominican priests live very simple & prayerful lives. Dominic received a vision from Our Lady who showed him a wreath of roses, representing the Rosary.

She told him to say the Rosary daily, teach it to all who would listen, and eventually the true faith would win out. Dominic was one of the first people to begin to pray the Rosary. He spread devotion to it and used it to strengthen his spiritual life.



Statue of St Dominic

THE ROSARY IN HISTORY

Between May and October, 1917, Our Lady appeared to three children (Lucia de Jesus, age 10, and her cousins, Francisco and Jacinta Marto, age 9 & 7) near Fatima, Portugal. Mary asked the children to pray the Rosary for world peace, for the end of World War I, for sinners and for the conversion of Russia.

During the last apparition on October 13th, in the presence of about 70,000 people, the Lady told them that she was "Our Lady of the Rosary" and asked that a chapel be built in her honour on that site.

Mary gave the children three secrets. Lucia, who later became a Carmelite nun, revealed the first secret in 1927, concerning devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. The second secret was a vision of hell. Pope John Paul II revealed the third secret in 2000; it spoke of a 'bishop in white' who was shot by a group of soldiers who fired bullets and arrows into him. Many people linked this to the assassination attempt against Pope John Paul II in St. Peter's Square on May 13, 1981.

**Our Lady of Fatima's Feast Day
is celebrated on May 13th**

**Saint Dominic's Feast Day
is celebrated on August 8th**

VIRTUES AWARDS

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 7	Lanette Harris Mason Jones	Curious & Active Grateful & Generous
YEAR 8	Olivia Mc Guigan Harrison McCarthy	Attentive & Discerning Attentive & Discerning
YEAR 9	Henry Bishop Desianae Franklin-Johnson	Grateful & Generous Grateful & Generous
YEAR 10	Jude Malek Sam Adesina	Learned & Wise Compassionate & Loving
YEAR 11	Thomas Hickinbottom Chloe Meades	Attentive & Discerning Attentive & Discerning
YEAR 12/13	Danny Clews Charlotte Bromley	Curious & Active Curious & Active

MINIBUS CRASH 35th ANNIVERSARY COMMEMORATION

On the 24th Sept 1984, a teacher and four students of Stuart Bathurst died when their minibus collided with a lorry not far from school.
Last week, on the 35th anniversary of the tragedy, we remembered:

Kieran Ruane Christopher Blackham
Timothy Harvey David Hevican Brian Kinsella



In 2014, for the 30th anniversary, we held a memorial Mass with our whole school plus ex-pupils, friends of the school, and many family of those who died. During the Mass we presented our 'Jigsaw Cross', featuring the names of every student in school. This cross will now become the centrepiece of a memorial space for all students who have lost their lives whilst at Stuart Bathurst.

In our reception, there is also a permanent display and plaque remembering the victims of the tragic minibus crash.



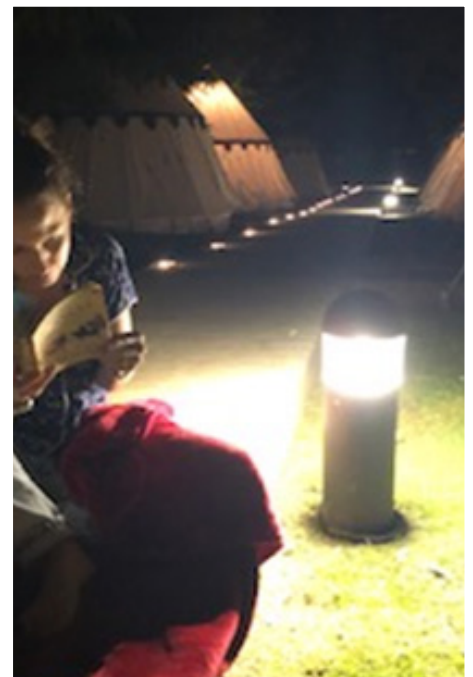
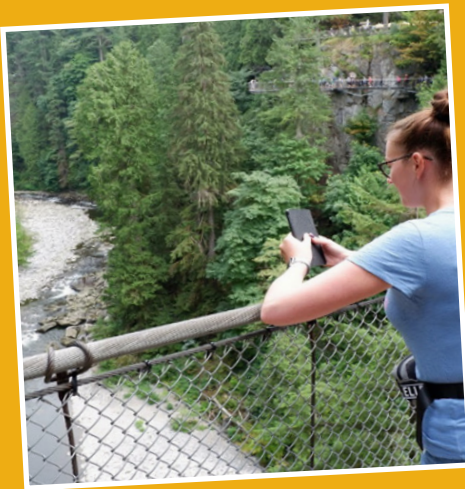
*Eternal rest, grant unto them O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May the souls of the faithfully departed,
through the mercy of God, rest in peace.
Amen*

GET CAUGHT READING! SUMMER COMPETITION WINNER ANNOUNCED...

The rivalry between English and Maths departments often runs deep, but there is no denying that the Maths department's Miss Boden trumped all reading myths about Maths teachers over the Summer holiday when she 'got caught reading' amidst some of the most stunning scenery and at great height!

She has taken her Kindle (no doubt for fear of dropping a precious book) to the Capilano Suspension Bridge and the suspension bridge at the top of Whistler Mountain and enjoyed a few pages in Canadian peace; beautiful!

So although the English department worked hard to find literary retreats between jousting knights at Warwick Castle and mommy-hood (Mr Barrett even found a Jamaica Inn to read Jamaica Inn in!) – the winner is clear; well-done Miss Boden!



Mrs Pepper

Head of Year 7



What were you like at school?

I was well behaved because my Mum worked at the school!

What were your childhood aspirations?

I wanted to be a nurse or teacher working with people with learning disabilities.

What was your most memorable experience in school?

I feel really lucky to have had many memorable moments at school: being Head Girl; trips abroad; performing Grease when I was in sixth form. I also got to re-visit my old school during my gap year while working with the Youth Mission Team. That was quite special.

Sum up your current year group in 3 words.

Resilient, Affectionate, Creative.



Mrs McCallum

Head of Year 8

What were you like at school?

Hard working and very organised. I carried everything around in a massive rucksack to make sure that I never forgot anything.

What were your childhood aspirations?

I always hated being asked this question. Sometimes you should just focus on taking one small step at a time.

What was your most memorable experience in school?

Each week, in year 6 we would have a spelling competition. I won every single week for a whole year.

Sum up your year group in 3 words.

Enthusiastic, Thoughtful, Fearless.



Mr Smith

Head of Year 9

What were you like at school?

I always worked hard and completed my work, however I was always pulled up for talking too much. This was something I realised had to change as I moved into year 10 and I began working hard. I took part in every fixture I possibly could, from football to badminton, swimming to trampolining.

What were your childhood aspirations?

After moving house recently, I found a letter which I wrote to my new form tutor as I went into year 7. In that, I wrote that my dream job would be a PE teacher!

What was your most memorable experience in school?

They were all sports related (obviously). I will never forget going on a football tour to Holland as team captain. Also, when I cried leaving year 11. I was returning to the school sixth form 3 months later.

Sum up your current year group in 3 words.

Energetic, Humorous, Amazing!

Meet the Year Leaders



Miss Adams

Head of Year 10

What were you like at school?

If you asked my friends who I went to school with they would say that I was a teachers pet, which is probably true. I am very proud that I went through the whole of school without a single detention.

What were your childhood aspirations?

From the age of 8, I always wanted to be an international athlete competing in sprint events. However, as I got older I always knew I wanted to then become a teacher because of the opportunities and support my teachers gave me.

What was your most memorable experience in school?

Being Sports Captain

Sum up your current year group in 3 words.

Courteous, Enthusiastic, THE BEST!

is this thing on?



Mr Connolly

Head of Year 11

What were you like at school?

I was quite unfocused in primary school but was kept on track by truly inspirational teachers. Mr Groom is still a hero to me.

What were your childhood aspirations?

I desperately wanted to be in the SAS! However my dad banned me from joining the armed forces and insisted I went to Uni. Looking back it was probably the right call.

What was your most memorable experience in school?

I found my GCSE's quite a challenge and was predicted C's and D's (4's and 5's) so I worked really hard, I remember revising for my combined Science exam until the early hours. The result was I came out with mainly B's (6's and 7's).

Sum up your year group in 3 words.

Focused, Potential, Diligent.

BREAKFAST & LUNCH MENUS

Here you can find our daily price list of snacks and meals.

On the next page are our weekly menus of fabulous food on offer everyday!

Dessert Menu

Flapjacks	£0.50
Cookies	£0.50
Chocolate Slice	£0.50
Assorted Muffins	£0.60
Krispy Cakes	£0.50
Homemade Desserts	£0.60
Custard	£0.20
Fresh Fruit	£0.20
Yoghurts	£0.50
Fruit/Veg Pots	£0.60
Jelly Pots	£0.50
Squeeze Jelly Pots	£0.70
Cheesecake Pots	£0.60
Cereal Bars	£0.70
Popcorn Bags	£0.70
Fruity Pots	£0.70
Cheese & Crackers	£0.70
Butter/Flora	£0.10
Sauce Portions	£0.10



Break Menu

Toast per slice	£0.25
Crumpet	£0.30
Cheese Crumpet	£0.40
Bacon Bap	£1.10
Sausage Bap	£1.20
Small Pizza	£0.70
Large Pizza	£1.00
Sausage Roll	£1.00
Veggie Sausage Roll	£1.00



Cold Drinks Menu

Plain Water 500ml	£0.60
Juice Shot 330ml	£0.30
Calypso 330ml	£0.60
Radnor Fruits 330ml	£0.60
Milk	£0.40
Milkshake	£0.50
Calypso Aqua Cup	£0.30
Calypso Pure Juice	£0.40



Lunch Menu

Main Meal Pupil	£2.30	Vegetable Slice	£1.10
Main Meal Adult	£2.70	Hot Filled Baguette	£1.40
Jacket Potato with Butter	£1.00	Sandwiches	£1.20
Jacket Potato with 1 Filling	£1.30	Freshly Filled Wrap	£1.20
Jacket Potato with 2 Fillings	£1.60	Freshly Filled Baguette	£1.40
Self Serve Salad Bar	£1.60	Freshly Filled Rolls/Bap	£1.10
Curry Pot	£1.60	Cheese/Tuna Portion	£0.60
Pasta with Sauce	£1.60	Vegetable Samosa	£0.70
Fish Wrap	£1.50	Onion Bhaji Pot	£0.70
Hot Chicken Drumette Box	£1.70	Onion Rings	£0.70
with Wedges		Wedges Pot	£0.80
Hot Chicken Wrap	£1.50	Nacho Cheese Pot	£0.60
BBQ/Piri Piri Chicken	£1.70	Hot Dog Roll	£1.10
on Brioche Bun		Vegi Burger	£1.10
Southern Fried Chicken Burger	£1.50	Burger in a Bun	£1.20
Popping Chicken Pots	£1.10	Chips/Wedges	£1.10
Steak Slice	£1.20	Beans/Vegetables	£0.50
Cheese & Onion Pastty	£1.10		

Week 1	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAINS	Moroccan Lamb	Brunch Special	Roast Chicken with All the Trimmings	Beef Lasagne	Breaded Cod
MAINS VEGGIE	Hawaiian Dog	Vegetable & 5 Bean Chilli	Quorn Fillet with All the Trimmings	Cheese & Potato Pie	Creamy Vegetable Slice
VEGGIES/ SIDES	Mixed Vegetables	Steamed Rice Baked Beans Peas	Roast Potatoes Vegetables	Potato Wedges Garlic Bread Sweetcorn	Chips Baked Beans Gravy/ Curry
LITE BITES	Tandoori Chicken Wrap	Piri Piri Chicken Burger on a Brioche Bun	Southern Fried Chicken Wrap	Lamb Shish Wrap	Mozarella Sticks
PUDS	Sprinkle Cake	Chocolate Brownie	Cornflake Tart	Assorted Cupcakes	Pancake & Ice Cream

Week 2	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAINS	Chicken Balti	Lamb Hot Pot	Roast Gammon with All the Trimmings	BBQ Chicken	Battered Cod
MAINS VEGGIE	Crispy Caesar Burger	Creamy Vegetable Pie	Quorn Fillet with All the Trimmings	Sweet Potato Curry	Vegetable Samosa
VEGGIES/ SIDES	Steamed Rice Sweetcorn Naan Bread	Roast Potatoes Seasonal Vegetables	Roasted Vegetables	Rice Naan Bread Peas	Chips Mushy Peas Curry/Gravy
LITE BITES	Piri Piri Chicken Wrap	BBQ Burger on a Brioche Bun	Chicken Tikka Wrap	Southern Fried Chicken Burger	Fish Finger Bap
PUDS	Chocolate Cake	Steamed Jam Sponge	Fruit Crumble	Carrot Cake	Warm Waffle & Ice Cream

Week 3	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAINS	Spicy Beef Taco	Chicken & Leek Pie	Roast Beef & Yorkshire Pudding with All the Trimmings	Lamb Shepherd's Pie	Chunky Fish Fingers
MAINS VEGGIE	BBQ Quorn Sausage	Rainbow Cottage Pie	Quorn Fillet with All the Trimmings	Monster Burger	Cheese & Onion Pasty
VEGGIES/ SIDES	Seasonal Vegetables	Peas & Carrots	Roast Potatoes Vegetables	Swede & Peas	Chips Peas Curry/Gravy
LITE BITES	BBQ Chicken Wrap	Southern Fried Chicken Burger	Tikka Chicken Wrap	Piri Piri Chicken Burger	Veggie Burger
PUDS	Steamed Syrup Pudding	Chocolate Orange Cake	Fruit Crumble	Iced Chocolate Sponge	Cookie & Ice Cream

Daily
Jacket Potatoes
Pizza
Hot Baguette

WHERE POSSIBLE
all our products are homemade

Meal Deal
Mains, & Sides & Carton
£2.30

Fresh Fruit, Assorted Desserts & Mixed Yoghurts
available daily

SANDWICH BAR
assorted sandwiches & fresh rolls available daily

NETBALL FIXTURES

It has been great to see so many pupils enjoying their PE lessons and the extra curricular clubs we are providing. Hopefully all the hard work in training will pay off when our fixtures begin!

Our first fixture list is for netball.

Please see the dates on the right for all netball league fixtures. Pupils will be given letters at training if they have been selected to play for the team.

DATE	HOME		AWAY
1 st Oct 2019	Q3 Tipton	v	Stuart Bathurst
8 th Oct 2019	Q3 Great Barr	v	Stuart Bathurst
15 th Oct 2019	FREE WEEK		
22 nd Oct 2019	Phoenix	v	Stuart Bathurst
5 th Nov 2019	Stuart Bathurst	v	George Salter
12 th Nov 2019	Stuart Bathurst	v	Wood Green
16 th Nov 2019	Wodensborough	v	Stuart Bathurst

POPE FRANCIS TWEETS...

The true face of love is mercy. Practicing it, we become a disciple of Jesus and the heart of the Father shows itself.

27 SEP 2019



TOP ATTENDANCE

**OUR TOP
FORM GROUPS
THIS WEEK**

1: 7M	100%
2: 8W	99.6%
3: 11D	98.6%
4: 7O	98.3%
5: 9S	97.9%

WORD OF THE WEEK

Catalyst

noun:

An event, item or person that causes great (and perhaps quick) change.

Can you:

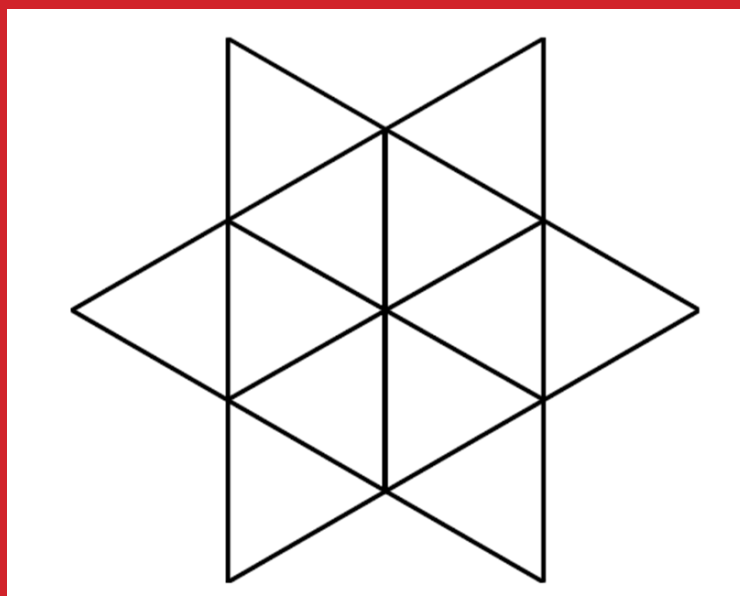
Think of a synonym for this word?

Use this word in a sentence?

Test your friend on the spelling of the word?

NUMERACY CHALLENGE

How many triangles can you count in this picture?





At our Coffee Morning, you helped raise an incredible

£400

Every cake and every cuppa means that Macmillan are able to help more people with cancer live life as fully as they can.



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STUART BATHURST
CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

A sixth form dedicated to student success

SIXTH FORM OPEN EVENING

Thu 10 Oct. 6-8pm

Meet our sixth form team and discover how Stuart Bathurst can support you, secure your future, and foster your life-long love of learning. Our A' Level results were impressive with students securing almost 2 grades progress on average above national figures in every qualification taken. Most importantly, 4 out of 5 pupils are now attending their first-choice university.



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