



## HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Welcome to our Newsletter

Yesterday, we celebrated the Feast of Christ the King. The Gospel tells the story of some of Jesus' last moments. Crucified, dying, having been mocked and taunted, Jesus still finds it in his heart to forgive one of the criminals being crucified with him, promising him a place in his Father's Kingdom. The Gospel tells us then of a King, born many years ago.

This King was different from all others, with no palace, no crown or robes, no servants, no soldiers. This King has to wait until he is crucified to gain his crown, a crown of thorns. But this isn't just any King, this is our King, this is Jesus and he is the King of Kings, and his Kingdom is Heaven.

I was going to try to be brief this week as I feel that you have all probably heard far too much from me already but there is a bit of information I feel I need to pass onto you.

On Thursday morning, we were very pleased to host the Catholic Collaboration meeting where the Headteachers of our Catholic feeder primaries and myself meet to exchange resources and plan events. I showed the Headteachers our school line-up, student panel, and they visited classes. As always, our school was calm and the atmosphere for learning was exemplary. The student panel fielded some very challenging questions from the Headteachers and again, as I knew they would be, they were superb, selling our school through their own experiences.

Then I received word of an intruder and had to lock the school down with the visiting Headteachers locked down too! Mr Masterson, the Executive Principal of St John Bosco, wrote to me following the visit saying, "I was really impressed and the school has moved forward so much. The lockdown, although very stressful for you and your team, highlighted how effective the safeguarding culture and ethos is."

I want to thank you for your support both during and following Thursday's events. To ensure that our children felt secure and understood the events of the preceding day, we spoke to all but one of the year groups to thank them for their behaviour the day before, outline the reasons for the Lockdown Procedure, and also make sure they were clear about our expectations of their behaviour in the future.

I have to say, I have been so proud of them. Even though we were not able to tell them of our expectations prior to the lockdown, I have to say they met, if not surpassed. many of them. A standard part of any procedure in schools is regarding the use of mobile phones and so we took the opportunity during our assemblies to let them know that they should not to use their mobile phones during lockdown under any circumstances.

As a parent myself I realise that this must have been an extremely worrying time for you. I hope that our actions this week in terms of the communication with you will give you confidence that your child does not need to contact you. As parents then I need to ask you to work with us in the following ways:

We will always text you just after we have phoned the emergency services, so firstly, can I ask that you don't phone the school until you receive a text saying that lockdown has been stepped down. Calling blocks the switchboard and we may be stopping the emergency services getting through with vital information. In addition, our staff are also on lockdown and will not be answering any calls apart from those from the emergency services.

Secondly, please do not come down to the school to remove your child. Our focus needs to be on the children, settling them down and making them feel safe again. As Headteacher, I will make the decision as to whether the school needs to close early and, if this proves to be the case, we will make you aware of the situation as soon as possible.

On my part, I promise you that I will always ensure that you are kept up to date with the facts of any developments in the situation. Most importantly I promise you that I will always have the safety and wellbeing of every single member of our community at the forefront of any decisions I make.

Next week Advent begins!

As do our celebrations in the run up to Christmas. It is hard to believe that 2019 is nearly over and 2020 is about to begin. Aren't we all so very lucky to be able to be together enjoying being part of a community that keeps moving forward and faces any difficult situation as a cohesive and unified body.

Have a good week

God Bless,  
**Mrs Morris.**

## YEAR 11

It has been quite a busy week in school with Year 11. Foremost, I would like to say how maturely the year group managed the lockdowns on Thursday. I was really impressed with how calm the year group remained.

The standout moment of the week was the first round of Prefect interviews. It was an absolute pleasure to hear our young people articulate themselves with such passion and fluency. The next round of interviews takes place this Monday and I will announce the successful candidates in next week's newsletter!

The PE moderation and Art Mock Exam will be rescheduled due to the disruption caused by the Lockdown. However, now the majority of Mock Exams are complete we are re-launching our afterschool 'Hard Work Pays Off' sessions.

Please speak to your child about this, the expectation is that they attend 2-3 sessions a week. There will be 25 Prom Passport points for each session attended.

A reminder: Year 11 Parents' Evening. On this evening students will be able to collect their mock results from 5.15pm before they begin appointments with teachers.

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 either myself or Mrs Booker

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wendy.booker@stuart-bathurst.org.uk

Mr Connolly  
Mrs Booker

### HARD WORK PAYS OFF NEW 2 WEEK TIMETABLE

SEE PAGE 5



## CLASS CHARTS

*Top 3 this week:*

**SHOROB AHMED**  
**SIMRA IQBAL**  
**VIVEK BAINS**

*Top 3 this half-term:*

**RAYYAN YAQUB**  
**VIVEK BAINS**  
**JACK ROSE**

*Top 3 since September:*

**KHADEEJAH KARA**  
**SABJOT SINGH**  
**AMANPREET KAUR**

## KEY DATES

**Thursday 28th November**  
Year 11 Parents Evening

**Friday 20th December**  
Christmas break

## YEAR 10

On the 22nd November, 91 Year 10 students went on a trip to the WorldSkills UK Show at the NEC in Birmingham.

The aim of the trip was for students to explore the work of leading employers. The students had an opportunity to experience a working environment as well as talking with employers about the qualifications and skills that may be important to their futures. All students were a credit to Stuart Bathurst and we hope that they gained valuable information and guidance.



On behalf of the Year 10 team, we would like to congratulate Year 10 on how they conducted themselves during lockdown. Students dealt with the severity of the incident in a mature manner and followed instructions accordingly.

Miss Adams  
Mrs Newell



## CLASS CHARTS

*Top 3 this week:*

**KEIRA BULL**  
**CHRISSIE MARTIN & LUKE OLIVER**  
**AMELIA CLARK**

*Top 3 this half-term:*

**ANISA GATER**  
**MILES JOHNSON**  
**BRODIE-LEA PHILLIPS**

*Top 3 since September:*

**SENNA GANGER**  
**AMELIA CLARK**  
**ZAID MOLVI**

Reminders:  
WEX - 10/02/2020  
Year 10 GCSE Mocks - 15/06/2020



## YEAR 9

Firstly, I would like to congratulate the year group on the high standards that they showed during a difficult end to last week. The students stayed calm and followed the instructions from their form tutors, Miss Newell, and myself during lockdown. I would also like to say thank you to all of the parents who have shared kind words with us since the incident, which will have been as stressful for you as it was us! Each form group were given a box of sweets or chocolates by Mrs Morris, to say thank you for their application in trying circumstances.

Last week, I was again teaching Year 9 trampolining, with the students working on

front somersaults! Well done to all students for showing the maturity and patience that is needed when working on such a difficult move. This coming week, 9I will be leading the assembly, with a number of students in the form group speaking and presenting to the rest of the year group, good luck!

A final reminder that the '12 Days of Christmas' appeal is still ongoing. Please encourage your children to speak to their form tutors about this and Miss Newell or myself will supply them with the tracker!

Mr Smith  
Miss Newell

## CLASS CHARTS

*Top 3 this week:*

**BRADLEYCLEWS**  
**ELEANOR MEADES**  
**STEFAN GAYLE**

*Top 3 this half-term:*

**CRYSTAL STYLES**  
**JONATHAN NALUTAMIO**  
**BRANDON SHAUGHNESSY**

*Top 3 since September:*

**DESTINI DAVIS-MITCHELL**  
**CRYSTAL STYLES**  
**RALPH CASTRO**

## YEAR 8

This week Year 8 had a visiting speaker from Brook Advisory Service. The year group were spoken to about the key features of a healthy relationship and the warning signs of an unhealthy relationship. They were also given information about where to turn to for advice should they need it.

Could I please remind Year 8 pupils to bring in any items that they have for the '12 Days of Christmas' hamper collection. Pupils do not have to bring in every item on the list; any contributions would be gratefully

received and much appreciated by the families within our community who will be receiving them.

Mrs McCallum  
Mrs Letford

## CLASS CHARTS

*Top 3 this week:*

**SAMIYA EBA**  
**GURSIMRAN BAJWA**  
**CALLUM COLLINS**

*Top 3 this half-term:*

**TAKIRA KELDO**  
**GURSIMRAN BAJWA**  
**NYAH MARKS**

*Top 3 since September:*

**TAKIRA KELDO**  
**JODIE JEFFRIES**  
**TAYLA MORRIS**

## YEAR 7

We are very proud of the students who behaved impeccably in a difficult situation this week. During lockdown, line up, and dismissal, Year 7 were calm and supportive of each other and helped to create a sense of security. We had an assembly with Mrs Morris and Mr Willett thanking the students and offering assurance to the students with all of the facts of Thursday's incident.

We had a wonderful finish to our week in our Friday assembly - students have been studying enterprise for Global Entrepreneur Week. Mrs Martin and 7M shared a very informative and inspiring assembly. I was very proud of the confidence and enthusiasm for learning they showed each other and the rest of the year group. They spoke of using their skills to help others and make the world a better place. This linked nicely into our charity drive for this half term - the '12 Days of Christmas'.

If any students want to donate any items then please collect a card from the office.

We had a great turn out from Year 7 for choir rehearsals. These are on Thursday's until 4.15pm. Bring a friend with you next week and we will make a joyful noise! A reminder to Year 7 that there will be no Dance club this week.

I would like to congratulate Sasha Davies for another successful Karate tournament.

The weather is getting colder and I would like all students to have a coat with them.

Year 7 have also been informed that they will have their lunch at 1.15pm each day with the rest of the school next week.

Mrs Pepper  
Mrs Bayley

## CLASS CHARTS

*Top 3 this week:*

**ALEX KRUSZKA**  
**BROOKLYN JENNINGS**  
**AMNAH RASUL**

*Top 3 this half-term:*

**JULIA CIUREJA**  
**MIA PROBERT-RICHARDSON**  
**NYASHA BANZA**

*Top 3 since September:*

**MACIE DALE**  
**MIA PROBERT-RICHARDSON**  
**NYASHA BANZA**





## Season's Greetings from the Sixth Form Student Leadership Team!

Sixth Form will be hosting a fundraising event on the 5th of December which we hope Year 7 and Year 8 students will be able to support.

They will be showcasing Tim Burton's 'the Nightmare Before Christmas' in the theatre which is an age appropriate movie offering a creative and exciting story. Showtime will be 4:00pm till 6:00pm and all students will be supervised by Mrs Jordan and Mrs Pepper.

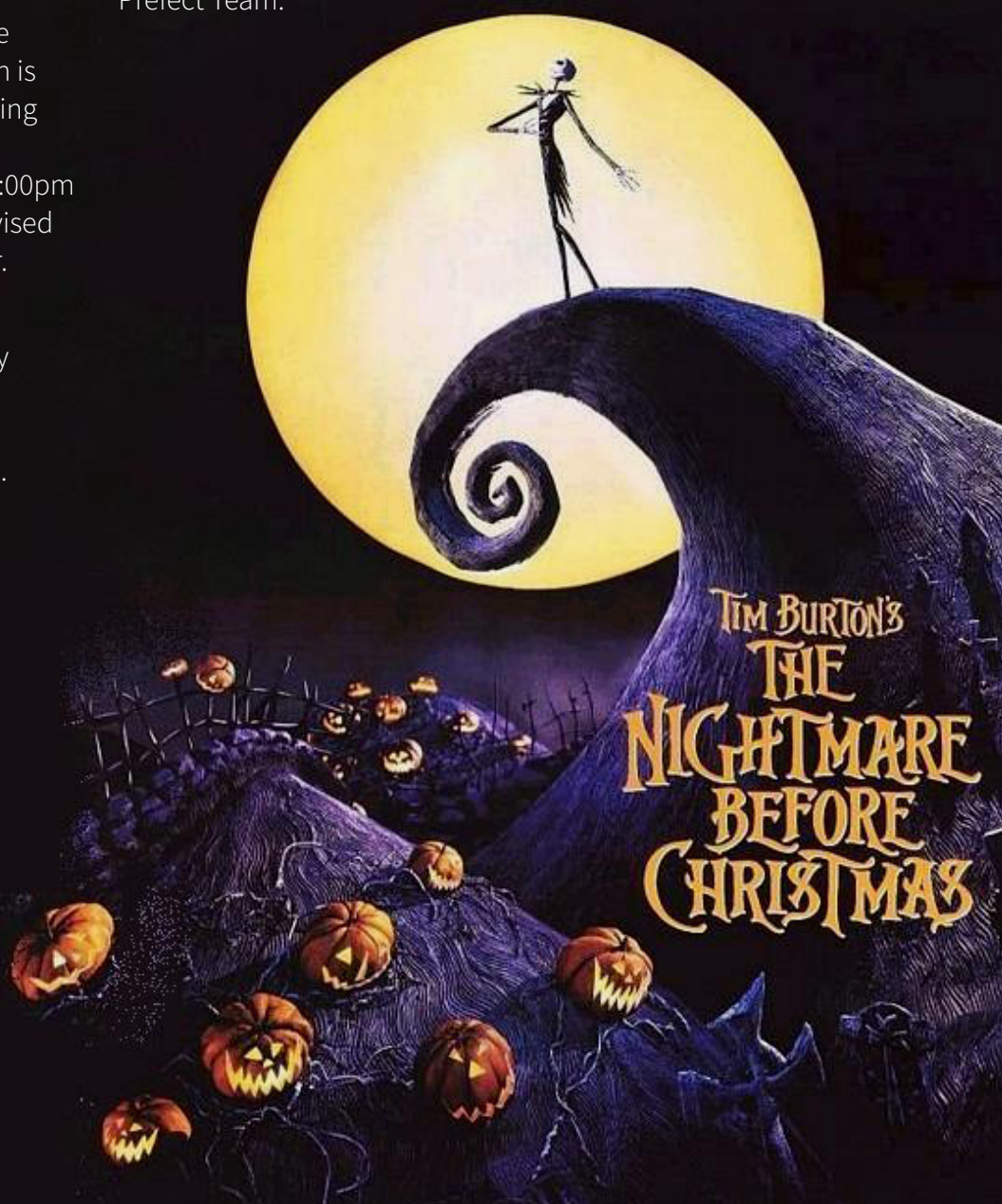
Students will be offered early entry and will be invited to buy snacks and drinks, which will be sold at the event to further support the fund raising event.

Tickets can be bought prior to the event at a cost of £2. They will be available for purchase from your child's head of year and the Sixth Form Prefect Team.

Furthermore, on the 2nd, 9th and the 16th December, we will be selling hot chocolate during break and lunch. Further details for this will be released closer to the dates.

We wish you and your family a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year,

From the Sixth Form Prefect Team.





# Y11 - HARD WORK PAYS OFF

## NEW 2 WEEK TIMETABLE

AUTUMN TERM 2	
WEEK 1	18 NOVEMBER
WEEK 2	25 NOVEMBER
WEEK 1	02 DECEMBER
WEEK 2	09 DECEMBER
WEEK 1	16 DECEMBER
SPRING TERM 1	
WEEK 2	06 JANUARY
WEEK 1	13 JANUARY
MOCK EXAMS	20 JANUARY
MOCK EXAMS	27 JANUARY
WEEK 2	03 FEBRUARY
WEEK 1	10 FEBRUARY
SPRING TERM 2	
WEEK 2	24 FEBRAURY
WEEK 1	02 MARCH
WEEK 2	09 MARCH
WEEK 1	16 MARCH
WEEK 2	23 MARCH
WEEK 1	30 MARCH
SUMMER TERM 1	
WEEK 2	20 APRIL
WEEK 1	27 APRIL
WEEK 2	04 MAY
GCSE EXAMS	11 MAY
GCSE EXAMS	18 MAY

WEEK 1		
DAY	LUNCH 1:45-2:15pm	AFTER SCHOOL 3:20-4:20pm
MON		
TUES		Art - DT1 , Interactive Media - CIE
WED		Business - CIE, PE coursework - PE1, RE - RE2
THUR	Food - HC1	Netball - Playground English - EN1-EN7 Geography - HUM2
FRI		French - MFL2

WEEK 2		
DAY	LUNCH 1:45-2:15pm	AFTER SCHOOL 3:20-4:20pm
MON		
TUES		History - RE4 Art - DT1 Interactive Media - CIE
WED		Psychology - HUM1 PE coursework - PE1 Maths - MA1-MA7
THUR	Food - HC1	Netball - Playground Science - SC4 & SC2 French - MFL1 Drama - Studio
FRI		French - MFL2 RE - RE2

**EACH 'HWPO' SESSION  
YOU ATTEND EARNS YOU  
25 MILES TOWARDS YOUR  
PROM PASSPORT**





## PE CLUBS UPDATE

Now the year 11 mock exams have finished PE clubs are back in full swing. Please take note of clubs that will be taking place next week.

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**Tuesday** – Netball and Table Tennis

**Wednesday** – Year 11 GCSE and BTEC PE revision, Badminton

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**Thursday** – Trampolining and Handball.

It has been great to see more pupils bringing extra layers to their PE lessons so pupils can fully concentrate in lessons. The wind, rain and cold temperatures are set to continue this week, so please continue to come prepared to all PE lessons.

A number of Year 7 pupils are mislaying their PE kits around school. Please ensure all items of kit are labelled with names so when kit is found, it can be given back to pupils. We do appreciate the kit is expensive but we find it difficult to help pupils when their items are not labelled.

Earlier in the year I reported on Sasha Davies' achievement to qualify to the National Finals for Karate. Competitors from across Great Britain made the journey to Ponds Forge Arena, Sheffield on the 16th November for the GKR Karate National Tournament. With strong competition from everyone Sasha performed three strong rounds of Kala and achieved the Bronze medal. Huge congratulations, Sasha.

If you have any sporting achievements that you would like to share please do not hesitate to contact me [rebecca.wright@stuart-bathurst.org.uk](mailto:rebecca.wright@stuart-bathurst.org.uk).



## KS3 MUSIC CLUB

**Wednesdays**  
**3:15 - 4:15**  
**in MU4**

Music Club is an opportunity for KS3 students to come and enjoy the music department facilities and equipment. Whether you want to practice your keyboard skills or compose on the computer - all are welcome!

Students who have attended so far have enjoyed spending time learning their favourite songs on the keyboard and also creating their own songs in one of our band rooms.

The Music Club is intended to be an informal time of music enjoyment and an extension of the classroom music lessons. It is not really a substitute for individual instrument tuition, but these are now also available too!

A letter about this has been text to all parents but is also available in this newsletter...

**MUSIC TUITION  
LETTER TO PARENTS**  
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## CHOIR AND BAND REHEARSALS

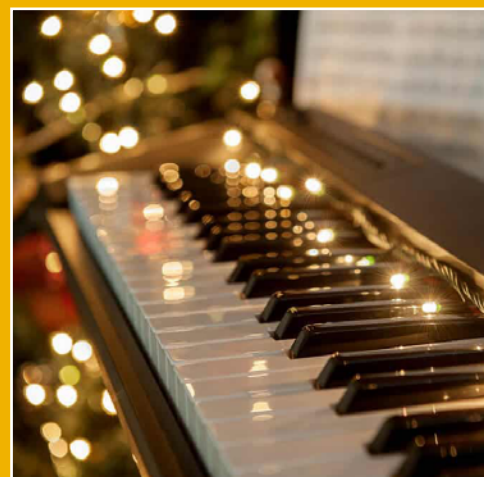
**Thursdays**  
**3:15 - 4:15**  
**in MU4**

Now that our Shakespeare Schools Festival performance is completed we start to turn our attention towards Christmas!

Choir and Band rehearsals are open to all students who are interested in performing for our Christmas events.

Our first rehearsal was fantastic and now we want more voices! If you enjoy singing with others - come along and bring a friend!

We look forward to seeing you!  
Thursday 3.15 - 4.15pm, in MU4.





# 12 DAYS OF CHRISTMAS UPDATE

As we progress through the weeks leading up to Christmas and the celebration of Jesus' birth we continue our charity focus of collecting items for the 12 Days of Christmas.

We would like to thank those families and staff who have made generous donations so far. We ask those who are able to please support this wonderful initiative and make donations.

These will then be made up into hampers and distributed to those in our community who may need them.

The Sixth Form Charity and Chaplaincy Team are ready to receive the donations and will be coming round to form groups to collect items throughout this coming week.

*“One who is gracious to a poor man lends to the LORD, And He will repay him for his good deed.”*

Proverbs 19:17



## THE FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING

In the Church's calendar, Christ the King is the parallel of the World Cup or the Super Bowl trophy. The Church's liturgical year concludes with this feast of Christ the King, instituted by Pope Pius XI in 1925 to celebrate the Jubilee Year and the 16th centenary of the Council of Nicaea.

Instituting this feast, Pope Pius XI proclaimed: "Pax Christi in regno Christi" ("The peace of Christ in the reign of Christ"). This feast was established by the Pope to reassert the sovereignty of Christ and the Church over all forms of government and to remind Christians of the fidelity and loyalty they owed to Christ.

The Feast was also a reminder to the totalitarian governments of Mussolini, Hitler and Stalin that Jesus Christ is the only Sovereign King. Christ is our spiritual King and Ruler who rules by truth and love. We declare our loyalty to him by the quality of our Christian commitment, expressed in our serving of others with sacrificial and forgiving love, and by our solidarity with the poor. In thousands of human hearts all over the world, Jesus still reigns as King.

The Cross is his throne and the Sermon on the Mount, his rule of law. His citizens need obey only one major law: "Love God with all your being, and love others as I have loved you." His love is selfless, compassionate, forgiving, and unconditional.

He is a King with a saving and liberating mission: freeing us from all types of bondage, enabling us to live peacefully and happily on earth, and promising us an inheritance in the eternal life of heaven.



## WEEKLY VIRTUES AWARDS

Certificates recognising students' words and actions.

YEAR 7	JULIA CURIEJA ALEX KRUSZEK	ATTENTIVE & DISCERNING ATTENTIVE & DISCERNING
YEAR 8	JAYLEIGH FOX MITCHELL MILLER	CURIOUS & ACTIVE CURIOUS & ACTIVE
YEAR 9	JONATHAN NALUTAMIO KIARA MCDERMOTT	CURIOUS & ACTIVE CURIOUS & ACTIVE
YEAR 10	SHYANNE ALMEIDA OLIWIA KAMIENIAK	LOVING & COMPASSIONATE LOVING & COMPASSIONATE
YEAR 11	AMANPREET KAUR SABJOT SINGH	LEARNED & WISE ATTENTIVE & DISCERNING
YEAR 12/13	MUKTI RANA PREETI VIRK	CURIOUS & ACTIVE CURIOUS & ACTIVE



**STUART BATHURST**  
CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

November 2019

Dear Parent/Carer,

Instrumental lessons are now available at Stuart Bathurst High School in partnership with SIPS Education. These lessons are now being advertised to all students. Please note that the availability for some instruments may become limited due to demand. If you wish to commit to instrument lessons, I would encourage you return the completed agreement slip, along with payment, as soon as possible. In order for lessons to be fully timetabled for January, we have set a payment deadline of Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November.

**INSTRUMENTS AVAILABLE:**

PIANO/KEYBOARD

DRUMKIT

SINGING

STRINGS (Violin, Viola, Cello, Double Bass)

WOODWIND (Bassoon, Oboe, Clarinet, Flute, Saxophone)

BRASS (Trumpet, Cornet, Trombone, French Horn, Tuba, Euphonium)

GUITAR: (Acoustic Guitar, Electric Guitar, Bass Guitar)

***When tuition ceases, instruments should be returned to the school at the final session.***

**COST & PAYMENT:**

- Lessons are £13 per 30 min group lesson. For strings, woodwind and brass students, this includes the loan of an instrument for practice.
- Payments must be made IN ADVANCE and are NON-REFUNDABLE. They can be made for the remaining year (20 lessons) or termly (10 lessons).
- Lessons will not commence until payment is received.
- Payment must be made by cash, or cheque only (cheques payable to 'Stuart Bathurst High School').
- If the school is forced to partially close, students must check to determine if their instrumental lesson is still being held. In the event of a full closure, every effort will be made to reschedule the lesson, but there will be no refunds if this is not possible.

Please complete this form, and enclose payment, to officially sign up for instrument tuition.

Mr Pepper  
Head of Music

STUDENT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ FORM: \_\_\_\_\_

CHOSEN INSTRUMENT: \_\_\_\_\_

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**I ENCLOSE £130 FOR THE SPRING TERM (10 lessons between Christmas & Easter)**

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**I ENCLOSE £260 FOR THE REMAINING SCHOOL YEAR (20 lessons between Christmas & Summer)**

**CONSENT AND TERMS:**

*I wish for my child to take instrumental lessons.*

*My child, and I, understand we are making a yearly financial commitment.*

*Lessons cancelled by tutors will be rescheduled with no extra charge.*

*Lessons missed by pupils will not be refunded.*

PLEASE TICK TO CONFIRM YOU HAVE READ, AND AGREE TO, THESE TERMS.

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PARENT/CARER SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_



Headteacher: Mrs B Morris



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# ANY OTHER BUSINESS

## WORD OF THE WEEK

# Transient

*Lasting only for a short time; something that is brief or passes quickly.*

### Can you:

Think of a synonym ?

Use this word in a sentence?

Test friends on the spelling of the word?

## NUMERACY CHALLENGE

Ali Baba found a cave full of gold and diamonds.

A bag full of gold weighs 200 kilograms, a bag full of diamonds weighs 40 kilograms.

Ali Baba can carry only 100 kilograms at a time.

A kilogram of gold costs \$2000, and a kilogram of diamonds costs \$6000.

What is the greatest amount of money Ali Baba can earn for the gold and diamonds he can carry out at once?  
(in one attempt in one bag)

Mr Glover  
Numeracy Coordinator



**Pope Francis** ✓  
@Pontifex

Try to create spaces in which the culture of efficiency, performance and success can become open to a culture of generous and selfless love, capable of offering to everyone, and not only to those who have "made it", the possibility of a happy and successful life. [#ApostolicJourney](#)

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## ATTENDANCE

OUR TOP FORM GROUPS THIS WEEK

1:	<b>11W</b>	100%
2:	<b>11D &amp; 7W</b>	99.3%
3:	<b>11I</b>	98.7%
4:	<b>8I</b>	97.8%
5:	<b>8D &amp; 9O</b>	97.4%

## FINANCE REMINDERS

### School Fund

Please submit any outstanding contributions to School Fund as soon as possible.

### Year 11 Prom Deposits

Deposits of £10.00 are now overdue. These must be returned by the end of November.

### Year 13 Ball Deposits

Deposits of £20.00 are now overdue. These must be returned by the end of November.

# **Bullying is not friends falling out or two people have a disagreement.**

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**When it is:**

**You should:**

**SEVERAL  
TIMES  
ON  
PURPOSE**

**START  
TELLING  
OTHER  
PEOPLE**

