St Joseph's

Friday, 21 October 2022

CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER



Year 7 Boys Football



An impressive result for the Year 7 after a difficult result the previous week. The boys came out with passion and desire to ensure they came home with the win. The game was close throughout the first half. Freddie caused the defence nightmares and scored early on to make it 1-0. The opposition came back quickly to make it 1-1. Langley Grammar scored quickly again to make it 2-1. Tobi then scored quickly to make it 2-2. The first half ends, changes are made and the team come out ready starting the second half strongly. Tobi wins a free kick on the edge of the box, Seb steps up to take it and scores to make it 3-2. Minutes later Seb scores again just inside the box to make it 4-2. The whistle blows 4-2 to St Joseph's. 2 wins in 3 games means the boys have finished second in their group. Onto the cup and onto more wins! Well done to all the boys.

Man of the match honours go to Seb for his two goal display.

FROM THE HEAD TEACHER

Dear Parents and Carers,
Hope you are all safe and well.
My weekly message is in video format. Please do take a listen and let us know what you think, any feedback is welcome.
Please find below the link to our website to view my message:
https://www.st-josephs.slough.sch.uk/assets/Documents/Letters/20221021- Newsletter-1-v8.m4v
St Joseph, pray for us
Ciran

THEME OF THE WEEK – God of the living

Men and women of all times have to face the hard reality that our biological life has a beginning and an end. What happens after that is perhaps the greatest mystery of the human condition. Many civilisations tried to answer the question in different ways. The Egyptians mummified their dead so that by avoiding decomposition, the person could prolong their life in the world of Osiris. Babylonians were resigned to the idea of the sad condition of humanity spoke of journey towards a 'country with no return'. The Greeks explained death through the myth of Orpheus, who was so skilled in playing the lyre that he could control animals, rocks and trees, and yet was not able to save his beloved Eurydice from perishing. He signifies the fact that even though men can achieve the greatest things with their skills, they cannot defeat the monster of death.

Have you ever thought about death? Does it scare you?

What kind of God establishes a relationship of love with his people, asks them to love Him with all their heart, to pray and listen to his commandments and then allows his beloved ones to dissolve in nothingness? Is all the love that we give and receive from one another forgotten in death? If you ever lost a beloved one you have probably asked these questions. Jesus answers them in our Gospel.

The **Sadducees** were members of the wealthy priestly cast of Israel who made their fortunes by managing worship in the Temple. People believed that in order to access God and obtain favours from him they had to go through the mediation of priests who would offer sacrifices under payment on their behalf. The Sadducees only considered normative the first five books of the Bible, or Pentateuch, and since there was no explicit mention of resurrection in them, they did not believe in an afterlife. After all, their paradise was on earth! They were hated by the people, and they were the ones who got Jesus killed. On the contrary the Pharisees had a belief in resurrection, but had a childish conception of it. **They thought it was an extension of this life with some improvements** (plenty of food, no sickness, no pain). **What is your view of the resurrection?**

The Sadducees assumed this was Jesus' belief, and thought they could catch him with the story of the woman with 7 husbands. The book of Deuteronomy imposed to men to marry the childless widow of his brother and give to the children the name of the deceased brother (Levirate law). If this hypothetical woman marries 7 brothers and they all die, whose wife will she be in the resurrection?

Jesus' reply is in two parts: In the first he ridicules the theory of the resurrection as an extension of this life distinguishing between this age, and that age. Why would God require that we go through the terrible experience of death in order to give us back the same life, even though slightly bettered? Jesus is saying that the life of that age, of the resurrection, is qualitatively different from this life, and death therefore is not just an unpleasant incident in the journey, but the end the first stage of our life, and the beginning of the second. Death is not the end of life, but the door that allows it to manifest itself in its fullness. What about our bodies? Don't we say in the Apostles' Creed that we believe in the resurrection of the flesh (carnis resurrectionem)? In biblical language, flesh is not the body made of atoms and cells which need to regenerate continually in order to survive, but the human being in their completeness, weakness included. As St Paul wrote, this perishable body must put on the imperishable, and this mortal body must put on immortality (1Cor. 15:33).

Finally Jesus proves to the Sadducees (and us!) that we are destined to eternal life by referring to the way God introduces himself to Moses in the episode of the burning bush: *I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob*. God called Abraham "my friend", how can then the source of life allow his friends to dissolve in dust and nothingness? Can he be the God of dead people? **No! God is a God of life, and life awaits all those who live in his friendship. For those who love God, eternity begins now!**

God of the living

Weekly Reflections 6th November 2022





A reading from St Luke's Gospel Luke 20:27-38

There came to him some Sadducees, those who deny that there is a resurrection, and they asked him a question, saying, "Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies, having a wife but no children, the man must take the widow and raise up offspring for his brother. Now there were seven brothers. The first took a wife, and died without children. And the second and the third took her, and likewise all seven left no children and died. Afterwards the woman also died. In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had her as wife."

And Jesus said to them, "The sons of this age marry and are given in marriage, but those who are considered worthy to attain to that age and to the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage, for they cannot die anymore, because they are equal to angels and are sons of God, being sons of the resurrection. But that the dead are raised, even Moses showed, in the passage about the bush, where he calls the Lord the God of Abraham and the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob. Now he is not God of the dead, but of the living, for all live to him."

Day 1

Death is at the same time the firmest and scariest certainty of our human condition. People of all times have tried to find ways to push away the thought of it without success.

- Have you ever thought about death?
- Are you afraid of it? Why?

Day 4

In the episode of the burning bush, God introduces himself to Moses with these words: I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob. In another place (Isaiah 41:8) God calls Abraham 'his friend'. Jesus uses this passage to prove that there is a resurrection after our biological death.

 Suppose you were God for a moment, would you allow a friend you love to just die and become dust?

Day 2

In the month of November, Catholics and other Christians remember and pray for those who have died: family, friends and those who died in the service of this country.

Most of us have experienced the loss of a beloved one.

 If you want to share your experience, please feel free to do so.

Day 5

The Sadducees in our Gospel did not believe in the resurrection. The Pharisees did, but had a simplistic idea of it as an extension of this life with some improvements.

Have you ever thought about what the resurrection we profess every Sunday in Church may look like?

Prayer for the Week

Loving Father, you have created us out of love and delight in us when we live our lives to the full. Bless and assist us as we begin this second part of the autumn term that we may grow in maturity, learning and discipleship. We ask this in the name of Jesus Our Lord.

Day 3 Dedication of the Lateran Basilica



The Lateran Basilica was built by the Emperor Constantine on the Lateran Hill in Rome in about 324. The feast of its dedication has been celebrated in Rome on this date since the 12th century.

In honour of the basilica, "the mother and head of all the churches of the City and the World," the feast has been extended to the whole Roman Rite as a sign of unity and love towards the See of Peter, which, as St Ignatius of Antioch said in the second century, "presides over the whole assembly of charity."

Did you know that the Lateran Basilica (not St Peter's) is the Cathedral of the Pope as Bishop of Rome?

Free school meals

For all parents of students entitled to Free School Meals, you will have received a voucher today via huggg.me for meals over the half term holiday. In the event it has not arrived in your inbox please can you check your junk mail.

Am I eligible for free school meals?

You will be able to claim free school meals for your child if you receive one of the following benefits:

- Universal Credit (provided you have a net income from employment of no more than £7400 per year). For more information on how the government calculates your earnings from employment whilst claiming Universal Credit, please check the "Eligibility under Universal Credit" section below.
- Income Support
- Income based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guarantee element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on paid for four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit

https://www.slough.gov.uk/xfp/form/244

St Jopen 2

Our 2nd St Joseph's Golf day will take place tomorrow at Farnham Park Golf Course. Thank you to all students, staff, parents and supporters of St Joseph's for taking part. A big thank you to all the kind sponsors of the event below and the kind donation from Martin Gibbons Haulage.







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Mr J Gibbons

St-Joseph's Catholic High school: Help and support (safeguarding)

At St Joseph's we are committed to child protection and safeguarding our students. The schools website has a number of useful organisations that can offer a range of support (follow the *Parents or students* tab-Safeguarding Help and Support tab): https://www.st-josephs.slough.sch.uk/home/parents-and-carers/help-and-support-2/

This link also directs you to 'How to submit a safeguarding concern'



If you are concerned in any way about a member of our community please do not hesitate to contact our safeguarding lead Miss Cheston (s.cheston@st-josephs.slough.sch.uk) or Miss Buchanan (V.Buchanan@st-josephs.slough.sch.uk) or the relevant Head of Year.

Miss S Cheston

Rewards Screen

Please see the attachment for full details of the rewards, challengers and dates.



Mr R Dann

Literacy - Word and Idiom of the Week

Accommodate

Word of the Week is 'accommodate'. This is a verb that means to provide sufficient space for or fit in with the wishes or needs of.

"To show we care, we must accommodate each other."

Keep your ear to the ground.

This means to listen out for trouble.

"If we want to market to teenagers, we need someone with an ear to the ground who knows what they really want these days."

Miss A Nash

YEAR 7 NEWS

Well done to a great half term from excellent ATL in lessons to extra curricular to electives you have well and truly thrown yourselves into life here at St Josephs. We now have our two week half term coming up make sure you rest and and come back fully charged for next term

Have a great one

Mrs Dunleavy

YEAR 8 NEWS

Football

Y8 vrs Beechwood Tuesday

With great pressure and early shots on target, St Joseph's seemed to take the upper hand in the opening encounters. Beechwood's defense finally cracked when Kosi managed to get down the wing and zip a ball across goal, tapped in by Alex to open the scoring 1-0 St Josephs.

Almost straight away Beechwood attacked and equalized. 1-1

The first half showed great determination and grit by all players involved, goal scoring opportunities made by both teams, Kingsley making key saves to keep St joseph's level going into the half.

In the second half followed much of the first, a stalemate, the two teams nullifying each other's attacking threats.

The game finished 1-1.



MOM – Kingsley

Next game Tuesday 8th Nov v Trevelyan - Home

YEAR 9 NEWS

Dear Year 9

Honestly, what a half term! I cannot be prouder of this group. At the beginning of the year, I said that you are the best year and you have proven it. However, a great power comes with a great responsibility. You have two weeks ahead and they have to be balanced: time for resting, for friends, for family and also, for studying. Most probably you will have homework to do so please do not forget to check your classchart. Moreover, there will be exams after half term, and I am pretty sure you would not like to see all your work+studying just after the break. Solution? Organise your time properly!

At this point, your form tutors have had a follow-up call with your parents or an email. If you have not had it, It will happen for sure after half term

Most important than anything, take care and God bless you all

Mr Romero – Head of Year 9

Netball



This week the year 9 netball team played against Langley Grammar school. It was a tough match but the girls kept fighting to the end. The final result was 7-8 to Langley Grammar school. Maya was named player of match by Langley Grammar. Well done to Maya, Keeley, Kara, Charlotte, Nadia, Michaela and Rosa B. Rosa Jarrett supported the team brilliantly throughout as she could not play due to injury.

Mrs A. Anstiss

Football

Y9 vrs Beechwood Wednesday

A flat start to the Year 9's second game this year. A miscommunication at the back left Kye steering the ball past his own goalkeeper, Gabi, into his own net. 1-0 Beechwood.

Beechwood applied pressure to the St joseph's team but they didn't crack. Great defensive efforts from David. Finally a fantastic fingertip save by Gabi, deflected the ball out to an oncoming Beechwood attacker and he placed it home into the net to put Beechwood up 2-0.

Gabi Spotted an opportunity to put a long ball in over the defense and let Jovan run onto it, Jovan gathers the ball in behind the defense and slides it around the keeper to make it 2-1 going into the half, giving St Joseph's a fighting chance in the second.



Early on in the second half, Albi threads the needle though the defense to get Jovan in behind with just the goalkeeper to beat, he does this with ease to bring St Joseph's level with the majority of the 2nd half to play.

After a long stalemate, both teams playing extremely physical form of football more similar to rugby. Beechwood managed to get the ball into the St Joseph's box, it pinballed around before a Beechwood player managed to steer it towards to goal and into the back of the net. 3-2 Beechwood.

With each team giving all in each challenge, trying to win the ball back for their team. It was the final moments of the 2nd half, St Joseph's had been awarded a corner. All players crammed into the box. The ball flashed across the face of the goal begging to be put into the back of the net but no St joseph's player managed to find that final touch.

The game finished 3-2 Beechwood, a fantastic fight, showing great determination and resilience when things didn't go our way.



Next league game 6th March 2023 @ DPA

YEAR 11 NEWS

Dear all,

Firstly I would just like to say what a wonderful first half term we have had. There have been some incredibly high standards across the board from Year 11. 92% of behaviour points given to Year 11 have been positive points which is a great step up from Year 10. I would like to thank every parent and carer of our Year 11 students for your support in everything that we do and for your engagement in our parent survey and welcome evening.

Revision and PPEs

Our students have been given a booklet this week with some advice and revision techniques for the upcoming PPE exams. There is also space in the booklet to plan a revision timetable over the next 4 weeks. Please ensure your child is using this. A structured and varied revision timetable is scientifically proven to improve progress and reduce stress levels.

You can support your child in their revision by:

- 1. Helping them structure a revision timetable, including days off and fun activites. (There is advice in the booklet).
- 2. Providing a quiet study environment.
- 3. Ensuring they have time to relax and are getting enough sleep.
- 4. Ask to see the revision they have done, rather than asking if they have done it.
- 5. Ask them questions from their revision books and test their recall of knowledge.
- 6. Rewarding them when they complete excellent revision.

Lunchtimes

From next half term and for the rest of the year we will be on lunch from 13:05-13:40 instead of 13:40 to 14:15. This is to ensure timings run more smoothly with PPEs and exams.

Period 6

This will continue as normal during the exam period. We will be adjusting the content of sessions to help students prepare for the upcoming core subject exams.

Have a great half term and as always, please get in touch if there is anything you need.

Mr Robinson – Head of Year 11

Netball

The year 11 netball finished this half term with a strong and convincing win against Langley Grammar; winning their match 14-8. Well done to Martyna, Megan, Mia, Saskia, Patrycja, Tia, Athena and Sophie.

Player of the match: Tia

Miss M. Joseph





Design and Technology Department

Term 1 complete! It has been marvellous to welcome you all back into the food room and workshops; we look forawrd to next half term when all our year groups will be applying their learning to make wise design decsions and manufacturing products!

Our first round of electives finished this week. Thankyou to Mrs Hill who shared the outcomes from the Sew Easy elective. An impressive array of skills learned in a short time! I'm sure you agree that the photos are marvellous. Life long and useful skills Well done!

The Makelt elective also finished successfully with all pupils who fedback via the feedback survey stating that they would recommend the DT Makelt elective. The students in the group have really impressed us this half term and we have been really glad to receive their feedback to make the next round of Makelt even better! Here are a few snaps from this week.







Poppies will be available for a donation to the poppy appeal after half term.

Share your successes!



There is nothing we like more than pupils using what they have learnt at school elsewhere, so we were delighted to receive these photographs from a year 9 pupil who made breadsticks-a-plenty and a fair few pizzas for his family. Thankyou Romain for sharing your success!

D&T Stars of the week



Romain Janot for embodying the St Josephs pupil profile with his Active, Generous, Curious and Intentional out of school Learning.

Julia Saladyk, **Julia Pytel**, **Pamela Lopez** for highest positive points awarded in Design and Technology subjects this fortnight.

DT social media



We try to post updates and points of interest on our Instagram page we also share some of the great work being done by our DT pupils....

TVLP NEWS

TVLP Bulb Planting at the Thames Hospice:

On Saturday 15th October, a group of St Joseph's students visited the Thames Hospice in Maidenhead to plant some bulbs for the patients, families and staff to enjoy. We were joined by students from Windsor Boys and Windsor Girls School to spend our Saturday afternoon making a difference to those that need it most.

The Thames Hospice treats everyone with kindness and compassion and provides a safe



and caring environment to support families and loved ones facing a life-limiting illness. Their services are free of charge to all who need them, thanks to the generosity of their amazing community and organisations, as well as 700 incredible volunteers who give their time to support the best possible end-of-life care for local people.

It costs £14 million every year to keep the Hospice running and they rely on charitable support for over 50% of the funds they need annually to provide their services free of charge, 365 days a year, to the people who need them most.

The aim of our day was to be charitable and also give the generosity of our time to make a difference to their space and natural environment. Students learnt how to plant bulbs properly from one of the late Queen's



gardeners who used to work at Windsor Castle and fed back that they enjoyed the day and had learnt something new.



A special thanks to **Rebecca Conlon, Romain Janot, Agata Santoro, Finlay Gibbons** and **Cerys Quille** who supported this great cause- you have certificates of participation on the way! One of our students perfectly summarized that they day was "A therapeutic way to do something nice".

Miss L Boland

Our TVLP bulb planting event led to us getting an article in the Slough Express which we are super pleased about!

8 The Express, October 21, 2022

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Spring bulbs planted at hospice



BOROUGH: Students from across a range of schools in the Thames Valley joined forces with a charity to plant spring bulbs in the gardens at a hospice.

On Saturday, pupils from schools in the Thames Valley Learning Partnership (TVLP), including The Windsor Boys' School and St Joseph's Catholic High School in Slough, laid down the flowering bulbs at Thames Hospice.

The initiative aims to increase the nectar sources for bees and other beneficial insects from January to April, with snowdrops, crocuses and daffodils being introduced.

The flowers will add a boost of colour to the hospice gardens,

helping to lift the spirits of the patients, staff and families, with the initiative also involving the Nature's Haven charity.

Nature's Haven charity.
Graham Stone, Thames Hospice's horticultural ambassador, said: "Our gardens are an integral part of the hospice and the wellbeing of our patients and families. Many studies have proven that being close to nature can have a positive impact on emotional wellbeing."

TVLP coordinator Clare Math-

eson added: "I am extremely proud of our students and staff for volunteering their time on a Saturday to help this wonderful charity. The environment is something we all need to take more care of and our students are leading by example."



Hoardings around the former Magnet site. Ref:134965-17

Officers 'cannot be challenged'

Royal Borough: Member of the public raises concerns

By Shay Bottomley shayb@baylismedia.co.uk @ShayB_BM

A member of the public has expressed concerns over the council's commitment to openness and transparency after being told he could not ask questions of officers at meetings.

The news comes as questions remain over the drop in land value at the Magnet Leisure Centre site in Maidenhead, which has been shrouded in secrecy by the council following a front in the Express' sister paper, the Maidenhead Advertiser, in September.

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In a written response to questions raised by Andrew Hill at a corporate overview and scrutiny panel last month, monitoring officer Emma Duncan said 'there is no provision under the council's constitution which allows members of the public to put questions to officers at meetings'

ficers at meetings".

She added: "In future, in line with public rights to information, any questions asked to officers will be directed towards the appropriate disclosure process to ensure that the council is able to respond appropriately and in line with statutory timelines."

Council officers, who play a variety of roles including assisting senior councillors with report writing for meetings, are appointed rather than elected.

Speed read...

Questions have been raised over the council's policy regarding questions for council officers at meetings. A member of the public has claimed 'no one can publicly challenge an officer'.

When questioned on an agenda item, lead members will often pass over to officers to provide further technical details on an issue.

Mr Hill said a section of the council's constitution had been provided to him, which stated that the question process of overview and scrutiny is an opportunity for councillors to 'obtain information or explanation about executive decisions on proposals, and not to criticise or comment on judgement exercised or the conduct of the member or officer'.

"In other words, what [the council] is quoting back at me are the rules that apply to members' (councillors) and officers' interaction," said Mr Hill.

"Given that members cannot criticise officers, and given that I'm being told I cannot make a direct question to an officer, that means no one can publicly challenge an officer."

Mr Hill's concerns were

Mr Hill's concerns were raised at the September 12 meeting of the corporate overview and scrutiny panel where the press and the public were excluded from a part two debate on the St Cloud Way site which, as reported by the Advertiser last month, has plummeted in land value by up to £20mil-lion.

The debate over the site took place behind-closed-doors under paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person [including the authority holding that information].

When Mr Hill questioned whether the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighed the public interest in disclosing the information, he was told by Ms Duncan she thought officers believed that to be the case, although no reasons as to why they thought so were given.

Mr Hill added: "I think the key point is that it's only the public interest for this to be in part two if (the council) are routinely generating high quality deals that deliver best value. If they are routinely losing money, then there is no justification for holding it in secret."

holding it in secret."

The Royal Borough has previously said it could not comment on matters of commercial confidentiality. It has been contacted for further comment.



TVLP Opportunities and Speakers

The below opportunities are all free and open to all our students to take part and attend. Please let Miss L Boland know if you are interested in the following and would like further information.

WRITERS NEEDED for the TVLP student magazine: 2023 edition. This can include a book review, an article, a career interview, a write up of a TVLP event they have attended, etc. Any students that are interested should email the TVLP Coordinator, Clare, with their idea for the content they would like to help create. Previous editions of the magazine can be viewed here: TVLP STUDENT MAGAZINE - Thames Valley Learning Partnership

TVLP Psychology speaker event with Dr Jenny Murray, Berkshire Psychology. Wednesday 2nd November 2022, 12.25pm-1.25pm. Location: Windsor Girls' School, SL4 3RT. To express your interest in attending email info@tvlp.org.uk. Please also email K.Simmons who is attending the trip with students in the sixth form.

Speaker: 'Intellectual Property Law' with Nickeal Sidhu. Thursday 3rd November 2022, 8:45pm-9:45pm. This is an in-person event at Eton College. TVLP students and staff are welcome to attend. Book here: VocSoc - Nickeal Sidhu: Intellectual Property Law Tickets, Thu 3 Nov 2022 at 20:30 | Eventbrite

Journalism speaker: Michael Binyon OBE. Monday 7th November 2022, 8:45pm-9:45pm. 'Behind the Times'. Michael Binyon has been an editorial writer, columnist and foreign correspondent for The Times since 1971, following stints with the TES, THES and the BBC. Michael will look at how a national newspaper works. What is news and how should it be treated? How do journalists get their stories? What disasters, mishaps and funny things happen along the way? This is an in-person event at Eton College. TVLP students and staff are welcome to attend. To register, send your full name and school email address to info@tvlp.org.uk

Speaker: 'Building a Career in Investment Management' with Giovanni Carforio. Tuesday 8th November 2022, 8:45pm-9:45pm. This is an in-person event at Eton College. TVLP students and staff are welcome to attend. Book here: <u>VocSoc - Giovanni Caforio, Building a Career in Investment Management Tickets, Tue 8</u>
Nov 2022 at 20:45 | Eventbrite

Medical speaker 'Covid Vaccine Development Team' with Teresa Lambe & Alexander Douglas. Wednesday 9th November 2022, 8:45pm-9:45pm. This is an in-person event at Eton College. TVLP students and staff are welcome to attend. To register, send your full name and school email address to info@tvlp.org.uk

'Careers in Sustainability Finance' with Cameron Bain. Thursday 10th November 2022, 8:45pm-9:45pm. This is an in-person event at Eton College. TVLP students and staff are welcome to attend. Book here: VocSoc & EnvSoc - Cameron Bain, Careers in Sustainability Finance Tickets, Thu 10 Nov 2022 at 20:45 | Eventbrite

TVLP Debating Competition for Year 10 students at Eton College. Thursday 10th November 2022. 1:00pm-4:00pm. Please speak to Mrs Ossei-Brainoo if you are interested as she is co-ordinating this event.

Medical speaker: 'Flying Doctor' with Sacha Richardson. Wednesday 16th November 2022, 8:45pm-9:45pm. This is an in-person event at Eton College. TVLP students and staff are welcome to attend. To register, send your full name and school email address to info@tvlp.org.uk

VIDEO RECORDINGS

'Careers in Sales' with speaker Harry Bullard. This is a recording of a talk at Eton College which can be viewed by students and staff across TVLP schools. http://tvlp.org.uk/career-videos. For the password, please email info@tvlp.org.uk

'A Portfolio Legal Career' with speaker Simon Deane-Johns. This is a recording of a talk at Eton College which can be viewed by students and staff across TVLP schools. http://tvlp.org.uk/career-videos. For the password, please email info@tvlp.org.uk

Coco Janot just had her TVLP art work revealed by the Mayor and Mayoress of Slough at Wexham Park Hospital





Miss L Boland

Tennis elective knockout tournament

Congratulations to Oliver and Liam who came through as overall winners in the Tennis Elective knockout championships

Everyone who took part showed great determination along with perseverance and all should be proud of the progress they have made



Winners: Oliver and Liam



Miss C Cheston

Sewing Elective

Here are the many items we managed to create in our sewing elective this half term. Really proud of this group and all they have achieved from simple stitching to sewing in buttons, to creating Tote bags, operating a sewing machine, threading it and the bobbins, making pom poms, crochet, scrunchies, and many basic hand stiches, well done all.



Mrs B Hill

Duke of Edinburgh Elective



I would like to say thanks to Jerome house for this amazing term! All of them were excellent during my DofE elective and I am very proud of their progress. In our last lesson, they were putting up tents and look at this picture! Don't you think this is a brilliant job?

Thanks you in advance. See you tomorrow!

Mr J Romero Cruz



History House Competition!

The Black History Month Competition will be extended until Friday 11th November. A reminder, that you are invited to create a fact-file, poster or presentation on any significant black individual throughout British history.

To enter, please bring your poster to any member of the History Department by the end of Friday 11th November.

The winner will be announced on 18th November.

Also, a reminder to follow us on Instagram @stjosephshistory for some recommendations on films, books and documentaries as well as showcasing some samples of our students' work.

Miss E Weir



Calling All Christmas Elves!

The Baby Banks popular pyjama appeal is back! As a well established charity that's been supporting families in our local community for nearly 8 years, we will be working alongside our large network of professionals to identify those families in need of a little extra support and help keep the magic of Christmas for their children.

We kindly ask for donations of a set of **brand new** winter pyjamas, a Chocolate selection box and a new book, donated to us in a tagged gift bag. They can be for any gender and between the ages of 0-16 years

For more information or to ask any questions, please contact us on our Facebook page or info@thebabybank.org

Closing date for donations is Friday 18th November



Registered Charity No. 1179580



Solution to last Week's Puzzler

Assume that a > b. Then a + b = 7 and a - b = 2. Adding these two equations together gives 2a = 9. So $a = \frac{9}{2}$ and hence $b = 7 - \frac{9}{2} = \frac{14-9}{2} = \frac{5}{2}$. Therefore $a \times b = \frac{9}{2} \times \frac{5}{2} = \frac{45}{4} = 11\frac{1}{4}$.

Solution to the Break time Teaser:

C Let g and s be the number of goats and sheep respectively. Then s = 2g and 12 = s - g = 2g - g = g. Hence the number of animals is s + g = 3g = 36.

Problem of the week

Tegwen has the same number of brothers as she has sisters. Each one of her brothers has 50% more sisters than brothers.

How many children are in Tegwen's family?

A 5

B 7

D 11

E 13

Break time Teaser:

The angles of a quadrilateral taken in order are x° , $5x^{\circ}$, $2x^{\circ}$ and $4x^{\circ}$. Which of the following is the quadrilateral?

A kite

B parallelogram C rhombus

D arrowhead

E trapezium

Send your answers to Mr Allinson. Complete answers will get positive points on Class Charts.

PUPIL NOMINATIONS OF THE WEEK

YEAR 7

Bruno Valek and Edzio Stacey for the most positives in a day

YEAR 8

Vanessa Masna (8 Peter) and Oliver Stacey (8 Peter) Both have shown excellent academic achievement this week and have also gained the most positive points in the year group.

YEAR 9

Oliwia Chmielowiec and Michelle Njau for their incredible progress

YEAR 10

Farrelle Frater, Adrian Wrobel, Emilia Pytel and Wiktoria Trzos for the most positive points

YEAR 11

Laura Wilkanowska and Joy Nwachukwu for consistently high standards this half term.

YEAR 13

Olivia Quinn and Otylia Konarska for the most positive points