# St Joseph's

Friday, 27 May 2022

NEWSLETTER

## CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL



# Year 7 Rounders Team



This week the Year 7 Rounders team had a match against Herschel and the Year 10 Rounders team had a tournament.

The Year 7 continued their winning streak beating Herschel Grammar 18.5-8. Displaying some exceptional batting and fielding skills with Samantha Albalate being awarded player of the match.

The Year 10 team unfortunately were not able to retain their title as District Rounders winners; however played very well as team coming 5<sup>th</sup> overall!

# **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/27-May-Parent-Newsletter-1.m4v

St Joseph, pray for us

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#### Letter from Bishop David to School Leavers

Bishop David, as with all our recent bishops, has written a letter (attached) to circulate to all leaving our school in **Year 13** and another letter for all leaving our school in **Year 11** to mark their education in your Catholic School.

With every best wish for the coming weeks.



# **THEME OF THE WEEK – Pentecost**

As we return to school after half term, we celebrate the Feast of Pentecost, the birthday of the Church. We celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit upon the apostles and to us who are disciples of Jesus. It is a great joy for us to continue the mission of Jesus having been filled with the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit inspires us, strengthens us and guides us in all that we do. We read in the Gospel Jesus telling His apostles about the Advocate, the Holy Spirit. Through our Baptism, we are filled with the Holy Spirit, the Spirit that descended upon the apostles on the day of Pentecost. It is a great day of celebration; God is with each of us through His Most Holy Spirit.

In everything you do today, ask the Holy Spirit to come and inspire you, strengthen you, and to help you in everything. It is a week of celebration as we also celebrate the Feast of Mary the Mother of the Church, Our Lord Jesus Christ, Eternal High Priest and St Barnabas. With all of these feast days this week, we can notice where the Holy Spirit has been at work. Mary being the Mother of Jesus, became the Mother of Jesus through the Holy Spirit; the Holy Spirit is the third person of the Trinity, He is God one with the Father and with Jesus; St Barnabas was filled with the Holy Spirit to be a witness to the faith and to go out and fulfil the mission of Jesus Christ, spreading the Good News.

# Can you think of moments in your life when you have noticed the work of the Holy Spirit? Can you ask the Holy Spirit to help and to guide you in all you do?

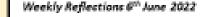
In the Gospel, Jesus speaks about making our home with Him to turn to Him in our daily lives. He is our source of life and will give us all that we need. We must keep Him at the centre of our lives and find our home with Him. He is with us, and within us through the Holy Spirit.

#### Where do you feel close to Jesus? Is it in a Church, in the garden, on a walk or within your heart?

As we celebrate the joy of the coming of the Holy Spirit, reflect on who the Holy Spirit is for you, where do you experience Him or notice Him in your life and in the world.

How are you going to go out and continue the mission of Jesus?

#### Pentecost



A reading from St John's Gospel John 14:14-16, 23<sup>6</sup>-26

You may ask me for anything in my name, and I will do it.

"If you love me, keep my commands. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever Jesus replied, "Anyone who loves me will obey my teaching. My Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. Anyone who does not love me will not obey my teaching. These words you hear are not my own; they belong to the Father who sent me. "All this I have spoken while still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you.

Day 4

Proyer to the Holy Spirit

(St Augustine)

Breathe into me, Holy Spirit, that my thoughts

may all beholy. Move in me, Holy Spirit, that

my work, too, may be holy. Attract my heart,

Holy Spirit, that I may love only what is holy.

Strengthen me, Holy Spirit, that I may defend

all that is holy. Protect me, Holy Spirit, that I

may always be holy.

Amen.

#### Day 1 Monday after Pentecost Mary Mother of the Church

We read in John's Gospel of the moment when Jesus is on the cross; 'When Jesus saw his mother there, and the disciple whom he loved standing nearby, he said to her, "Woman, here is your son," and to the disciple, "Here is your mother." (John 19:26-27) There is a link with Pentecost here, the Church was created at the foot of the cross and then was filled and sent out with the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. We ask the prayers of Mary today, as she is the Mother of the Church. Queen of Heaven, rejoice, alleluia. For He whom you did merit to bear, allelvia. Has risen, as he said, allelvia. Pray for us to God, alleluia. Rejaice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia. For the Lord has truly risen, alleluia.

#### Day 2

We are celebrating this week the Feast of Pentecost, the birthday of the Church. We read in the Gospel Jesus telling His apostles about the Advocate, the Holy Spirit. Through our Baptism, we are filled with the Holy Spirit, the Spirit that descended upon the apostles on the day of Pentecost. It is a great day of celebration; God is with each of us through His Most Holy Spirit. In everything you do today, ask the Holy Spirit to come and inspire you, strengthen you, and to help you in everything.

Come Holy Spirit!

#### Day 5 Prayer for Joy

Lord Jesus, you are our salvation and our joy. We thank you for the new life and power that we have through your death and resurrection, because we know that true joy can only come by your Spirit working in us. Amen.



#### Prayer for the Week

Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful, and kindle in us the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit, and we shall be created, and you shall renew the face of the earth. Amen.

#### Day 3 FeastDay of St Barnabas (11<sup>th</sup> June)

O holy Apastle Barnabas, join us in proising God our Father, through Jesus Christ who died and rose to give us new life in the Holy Spirit. Pray with us that God will preserve our parishes, strengthen and bless our families, and defend us from all adversities. Saint Barnabas, prayfor us!



#### Confirmation

Let us keep in our prayers these students who will be Confirmed this coming Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> May at Holy Family Catholic Church, Langley. Confirmation is one of the seven Sacraments, it is at Confirmation that these young people will be fully initiated within the Catholic Church. We pray that they will be filled with the gifts of the Holy Spirit as they are Confirmed on Sunday.



#### End of year assessments for Year 7-9

End of year assessments for Year 7-9 will commence from Monday 13<sup>th</sup> to Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June. Assessments will be undertaken in lesson time. A timetable each form group for Year 7 and 8 and for the whole of the Year 9 can be found attached. Your child's class teachers will inform them of the topics to revise. Please can I ask parents to encourage their child to revise content covered during the year by reviewing all resources that have been uploaded onto Class charts, any resources uploaded onto Microsoft Teams and from all work in their exercise books.

#### **Pre-Public Examinations (PPEs)**

From Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> June, Year 10 and 12 students will be completing their first set of Pre-Public Examinations (PPEs) in the Sports Hall. The timetable for these is also attached to the newsletter. Your child's class teachers will also inform them on the topics to revise and how best to prepare for these assessments. Please can I also ask parents to encourage their child to revise content covered during the year by reviewing all resources that has been uploaded onto Class charts, any resources uploaded onto Microsoft Teams, by using revision guides that might be available for a subject and from all the work completed in their exercise books.

In light of the above, we have rescheduled the second Academic Review Day from Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June to Monday 11<sup>th</sup> July. This will allow parents, students and tutors the opportunity to reflect on the most up to date report card as well as reviewing targets set at the first Academic Review Day in October. More information regarding the timings and logistics of this day will be sent out after half term.

Mr Gibbons

#### YEAR 8 NEWS

Another really good week for year 8. I have seen some great drama performances from them. They have been devising their own pieces of drama using knowledge from their dram practitioners. In Science they have been looking at inheritance and variation. In PE students have been playing cricket and Rounders. Can I remind you to do your homework over the half term. It is really important you keep up to date with this. I hope you all have a great half term and enjoy the Jubilee celebrations. See you all ready to learn for the last term of year 8

Mrs Dunleavy

#### **Year 8 Days of Reflection**

Dear Parents/Carers,

Our Year 8 Days of Reflection are taking place in June after half term.

Polite reminder that parental consent is required in order to attend - please complete the short consent form on ParentPay.

Our Year 8 Days of Reflection will take place at St Anthony's Catholic Church, Farnham Road, Slough. Days of Reflection are a time for the students to spend time with their tutor groups, to take part in activities and games, and to have moments of reflection and prayer.

#### **YEAR 10 NEWS**

Dear all,

I just wanted to thank you and your children for a brilliant half term. It has been a busy one with lots going on, but despite this the students in Year 10 have approached their learning with such positivity. This week we have been delivering form time sessions on how to revise for exams, which the students have been incredibly engaged in.

#### Exams

All Year 10 should now have:

- 1. Access to knowledge organisers for each subject.
- 2. A revision timetable for the half term with built in time for rest and recreation.
- 3. Access to the Year 10 teams page with revision strategies and other resources.

To reiterate Mr Gibbons' message, please do ensure your child has a revision timetable as this will help them manage their time and reduce stress.

Also a massive well done to all the Vocational Business students in completing their first GCSE exam this week.

#### **Home School Agreement**

We have asked that you sign the home-school agreement on p38 of the new journals. It is vital that school and home are in alignment on all of the details in the journal.

If you have any queries regarding this please speak to me urgently.

At the start of next half term I will be in touch to arrange meetings where they have not been signed.

#### **Positive points**

Congratulations to the following students for having the top10 most combined points this half term:

- Laura Wilkanowska
- \* Shaquille Michaelwicz
- Wiktor Miklas
- Chantelle Chipatiso
- \* Ana-Marie Torres
- Patrycja Artemska
- Dominik Gogola
- David Najdo
- \star 🛛 Liam Paes
- Alexander Tawroginski

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

Mr Robinson

#### **YEAR 11 NEWS**

Dear Parents and Carers,

Once no longer required the school would welcome donations of good quality school ties and girls school skirts.

If you wish to donate please bring to the school office.

Many thanks for your support.

#### Year 11 GCSE Information Update w/b 6<sup>th</sup> June

Please see attached document for Year 11 parents

#### YEAR 12 NEWS

#### Dear Year 12

Half term break, better weather and longer days are finally here. I hope this lighter time bring you energy and optimism needed to nail the exams. Talking about the exams, here you have the timetable for the week after half term:

Mon 06 Jun	08:45	01:30	AQA	7407/2	Physics AS Paper 2	GCE/ASB	12
Mon 06 Jun	08:45	02:00	AQA	7162/1	Law ADV Paper 1	GCE/A	13
Mon 06 Jun	13:00	02:30	OCR	H470/02	Eng Lang: Dmnsns of Lngstc Vrtn Wrtn	GCE/A	13
Mon 06 Jun	13:00	02:00	EDEXL/GCE	9EC0 02	Economics: National & Global Economy	GCE/A	13
Tue 07 Jun	08:45	02:30	AQA	7692/1	Spanish ADV Pap 1 List Read & Writ	GCE/A	13
Tue 07 Jun	08:45	02:30	OCR	H472/01	Eng Lit: Drama & Poetry PRE-1900 Wtn	GCE/A	13
Tue 07 Jun	08:45	01:30	EDEXL/GCSE	1MA1 2F	Maths Calculator [F]	GCSE/9FC	12 & 13
Tue 07 Jun	08:45	01:30	EDEXL/GCSE	1MA1 2H	Maths Calculator [H]	GCSE/9FC	12 & 13
Tue 07 Jun	13:00	02:00	EDEXL/GCE	9MA0 01	Pure Mathematics 1	GCE/A	13
Tue 07 Jun	13:00	01:45	WJEC/GCE	A200U20-1	Sociology COMPONENT2 Methods Enquiry	GCE/A	13
Wed 08 Jun	08:45	02:00	AQA	7687/2	Polish ADV Paper 2	GCE/A	13
Wed 08 Jun	08:45	02:00	AQA	7182/2	Psychology ADV Paper 2	GCE/A	13
Wed 08 Jun	08:45	02:40	EDEXL/GCE	9PG0 02	Translate Into Portuguese	GCE/A	13
Wed 08 Jun	13:00	01:30	AQA	1350/1	Mathematical Studies Paper 1 - Core Maths	L3/B	12
Wed 08 Jun	13:00	02:30	AQA	7037/2	Geography ADV Paper 2	GCE/A	13
Wed 08 Jun	13:00	02:00	OCR	H409/02	Media Studies: Evolving Media Wtn	GCE/A	13
Wed 08 Jun	13:00	01:15	EDEXL/GCE	8MA0 02	Maths Statistics & Mechanics	GCE/ASB	12
Thu 09 Jun	08:45	02:00	OCR	H573/01	Rel Stud: Philosophy of Religion Wtn	GCE/A	13
Thu 09 Jun	08:45	02:00	EDEXL/GCE	9BS0 02	Bus Studies: Activs Decision & Strats.	GCE/A	13
Thu 09 Jun	13:00	01:30	AQA	7401/2	Biology AS Paper 2	GCE/ASB	12
Thu 09 Jun	13:00	02:00	AQA	7402/1	Biology ADV Paper 1	GCE/A	13
Thu 09 Jun	13:00	02:30	AQA	7552/1	D & T: Product Design ADV Paper 1	GCE/A	13
Fri 10 Jun	08:45	01:45	AQA	8700/2	English Language Paper 2	GCSE/9FC	12 & 13
Fri 10 Jun	08:45	01:30	EDEXL/GCE	9HI0 2F	History: India & South Africa	GCE/A	13
Fri 10 Jun	13:00	02:00	AQA	7408/2	Physics ADV Paper 2	GCE/A	13

- After half term break, we will have assembly on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June as usual. Remember you need to be in school before 8:25
- After break, all students need to be in school 8:30 am every day
- PSHE is Tuesday 07/06/22. Remember it is compulsory
- No headphones are allowed outside Sixth Form Room. If I see you (or any other member of staff) we will confiscate them
- What we celebrate during Jubilee: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lo6B3PX-l4s</u>



## Everything you need to know about the Queen's Platinum Jubilee

This year marks 70 years of Queen Elizabeth II's reign. She is Britain's longest-reigning monarch, beating closest competition Queen Victoria - her great-great-grandmother - by nearly seven years. Big celebrations are being planned to celebrate the landmark, with pudding competitions, celebfilled parties and even a fourday Bank Holiday ...

www.youtube.com

Enjoy your well-deserved break

Mr Romero Head Of Year 12

#### **TVLP NEWS**

#### Photos with the Mayor of Windsor: TVLP Queen's Platinum Jubilee mini gardens

Photos of **Rebecca Conlon 12C** representing St Joseph's entering the TVLP Queen's Platinum Jubilee mini garden design competition – well done Rebecca!









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## Duke of Edinburgh – Photo's from last weekend

"This week, the Heads of House delivered assemblies on the theme of 'Loving God'. They examined Jesus' message about peace and how they can implement it in their own lives. Keep your eyes peeled for next half term's house competitions!"

Mr T. Ojakovoh





EAL NEWS (English as an Additional Language)

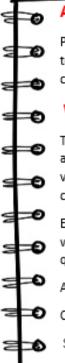


EAL Social Club will be for year 8, 9, and 10 (Week 1:12:25-1.00pm) remember it is Chat & Chew so come with your lunch.

### Do you know?

We want the students to be truly bilingual and be proficient in both languages! No matter what language your family chooses, the goal should be clear: to read well in both English and your home language. Research shows that being biliterate (not just bilingual) will help your child be more successful in life. It will help them find better jobs, understand different cultures, and grow their brains.

During this half term, practice reading and speaking in both languages at home. Encourage conversation in both languages. We recognize and embrace the cultural and linguistic diversity of each and every student in our school!



#### Activity to try

Playing a game from a different part of the world is a great way to get the family moving and playing together. Here are a couple of our favorites.

#### Who Am I?

To play this fun guessing game, you need sticky notes, a pen, and a bilingual book. This game is great for children with more vocabulary knowledge in the new language. Write the names of characters or objects from the story onto sticky notes.

Each player places a sticky note onto his or her forehead without looking at it. The players then ask each other yes-or-no questions to try to figure out who or what they are.

Am I a person or an animal?

Can I be found in a kitchen?

See who can guess what's written on their own sticky note first!





## **MATHEMATICS CHAMPIONS LEAGUE**

Every Wednesday 3.00 to 4.00PM in M1



#### Join the St. Josephs Mathematics Tournament by Mr D Nyuydzewira

- 3 players per team.
- Low threshold high ceiling maths question.
- Research and presentations.
- Learn to Learn Maths.
- Revision planning and Homework Support

Team Name	League Position	Matches Played	Points
Blue	1st	1	5
Epik	1 <sup>st</sup>	1	5
Winners	1st	1	5
Pi	2nd	1	4
Mr Bean	3rd	1	3
Pikachu	3rd	1	3
Bribelle	4th	1	2
Distinguish	4th	1	2
Minions	4th	1	2
Banter FC	4th	1	2
Dumbest	4th	1	2
Get Batered FC	5th	0	-2

#### League Rules:

- Calling out answers: Minus 1 Point
- No attendance from a member from your team: Minus 2 Points
- Late: Minus 1 Point
- Cheating: Minus 1 Point
- Talking to another team member not in your team: Minus 1 Point

# HEY YOU YOUNG PEOPLE JOIN US

# SUNDAY 29TH MAY

## 2022

At Our Lady of Peace Church, Burnham At 3pm For...

And a chat about

## what YOU want

### **From a Church Youth Group**

To register your interest please email us at:

olpyouth22@gmail.com



#### Solution to last Week's Puzzler

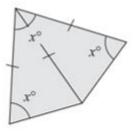
**B** Let the number of chickens and goats sold be *c* and *g* respectively. Then, since 80 animals are sold, we have c + g = 80. Also, 2c + 4g = 200, since the chickens have two legs and the goats have four legs. Dividing the second equation by 2, we obtain c + 2g = 100. Then, subtracting the first equation gives g = 100 - 80 = 20. So 20 goats were sold.

#### Solution to the Break time Teaser:

E The correct answer is a multiple of both 3 and 8, as  $24 = 3 \times 8$ . Although 100 is a multiple of 4, it is not a multiple of 8. Therefore even multiples of 100 are multiples of 8, but odd multiples are not. This leaves 200, 400 and 600, but of these only 600 is also a multiple of 3. Hence the only option which is a multiple of 24 is 600.

#### Problem of the week

A kite is made by joining two congruent isosceles triangles, as shown. What is the value of x? A 36 B 54 C 60 D 72 E 80



## Break time Teaser:

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A £220 000 000	В	£440 000 000		C	£2 200 000 000
	D £4 400 000 000		E	£22 000 000 000	

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

<u>YEAR 7</u>					
Victor Buda (7P) for positive attitude in Spanish lessons and Szymon Pazdyka (7J) for engagement in Spanish. Jayona George for her loving attitude towards staff, and Oliver Kroliczek for his curious attitude towards his studies.					
YEAR 8					
Jessica Roff for eloquent and curious and Nathan James for being truthful and intentional					
YEAR 9					
Jakub Roginski and Dhembher Villegas for active and intentional approaches to English this week Mary Jane Visitacion (9T) for great contributions in PSHE					
YEAR 10					
Bogdan Mitulescu-Bilan for effort in Spanish. Shaquille Michaelwicz and Laura Wilkanowska for the highest combined points this half term					
<u>YEAR 12</u>	<u>YEAR 13</u>				
<b>Roza Sapinska</b> and Ivan <b>Martinez</b> for the highest positive points achieved this week	<b>Rutendo Chiwara</b> and <b>Robert Soper</b> for being active and curious.				

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