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ST JOSEPH'S *NEWSLETTER*



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEW YEAR 13 STUDENT LEADERSHIP TEAM

From The Head Teacher

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We've got the new website up and running with a promotional video. It was an exciting activity to undertake and the students certainly enjoyed taking part – there's been quite a bit of excitement with a number trying to see if they could spot themselves on it. There'll be a second video with an insight into each Department coming next week. The website came from a parents' survey where you said to us to make it better – I hope this helps.

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Next week the PPE exams are starting much earlier in the year than usual. They'll be an important assessment to recognise where any misconceptions and gaps in learning over the lockdown period may have occurred and provide an earlier opportunity for us to put together a coherent evidence based plan. If your son or daughter is in year 11-13, please do encourage them to revise hard so we can generate as much positive feedback as possible.

And finally, thank you for an overwhelming positive start to the year. The best efforts of a national pandemic the school's remains attendance strong in comparison to other institutions. Likewise the uniform is very good – but can I remind all students that skirts need to be of the correct length and please, no hoodies.

Have a cracking weekend.

St Joseph, pray for us.

Ciran Stapleton

Attendance and Welfare Officer

We are looking for an Attendance and Welfare Officer to join us on a 6 month contract from November 2020. Full details will be on our website early next week.

Theme of the Week – Producing Fruit

The implication of this week's Gospel is clear: **the Kingdom of God will be taken from those who refuse to accept God's messengers and son, and given to those who have faith in Jesus**. Prophets are often unpopular because they bring messages that are uncomfortable and challenging.

Look at Moses. He challenged the Pharaoh when he brought him the uncomfortable message from God to let his people go. The Israelites accepted God's messenger and thus received their just reward.

Who are the prophets of the present age, and what are they telling us?

How have we received their messages and what have we done about them?

What is the message the world needs most today?

The keystone was the stone at the very top of a Roman arch, which held all the other stones in place. Jesus calls himself the 'keystone'; the most important stone that supports the rest of the building.

What have been the 'keystones' in your life?

What are the things that you have rejected?

Why have you rejected them?

Think about being fruitful in your life, and **think about three specific ways you can be fruitful during the week.**

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Solution to last Week's Puzzler

The pattern is that your answer will always be $4 \times$ your initial number.

I can prove this because:

In the 3 times table: x = the number you times by 3.

e.g. If $x = 1$, chosen number [in the 3 times table] is 3,

If $x = 2$, chosen number is 6

The numbers in the sequence are

$$(3x - 1), 3x, (3x + 1)$$

Solution to the Break time Teaser:

C Half of 1.6×10^6 equals $0.8 \times 10^6 = 0.8 \times 10 \times 10^5 = 8 \times 10^5$.

Congratulations to: Piotr Basinski (8T), Annabel Lysiak(8C), Izan IT (8M), Adrian Fernandes (11T) and Adrian Jurys (8J). For correct answers.

Problem of the week

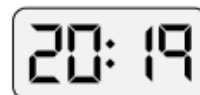
A ball is dropped from a height of 125 cm. Each time it hits the ground, it bounces to $\frac{3}{5}$ of the height from which it fell.

How high does it bounce after hitting the ground the third time?

Break time Teaser:

A 24-hour digital clock shows the time in hours and minutes.

How many times in one day will it display all four digits 2, 0, 1 and 9 in some order?



A 6

B 10

C 12

D 18

E 24

Send your answers to Mr Allinson. The first full complete answer will get epraise points and a prize.

Year 8 News

Dear Year 8,

We are well into the new school year now, and what a start we've had! Congratulations to all of you whom have worn the St Joseph's tie with pride, and really shown us you know what it means to be a pupil at St Joseph's, you are doing the school proud. See below our first results for the Everest League! Some of the contributing points have dated back from the first week, and all tutor groups started on 50 points.


WELL DONE to 8 Teresa for leading the way with 139 points!! But don't relax just yet, as there is only 1 point between you and 8 Mark!

Next week, I want to see 8 Jerome and 8 Cecilia climbing the league table. Below is a reminder of all that contributes to your scores.

Everest League Weekly Scores

"Soaring to Success"



8 Cecilia: TOTAL: 100 UP: 55 DOWN: 5 POSITION: 5th	8 Jerome: TOTAL: 96 UP: 79 DOWN: 33 POSITION: 6th	8 Mark: TOTAL: 138 UP: 101 DOWN: 13 POSITION: 2nd	Highlights: Top: 8 TERESA HOUSE! All of Peter and Teresa had their planner signed ☺ Annabell L 8C / Izan I 8M / Piotr B 8T all won their team 5 points for being the top ePraise students of the week! (in the whole school!!) Students of the Week (including from the beginning of term) <ul style="list-style-type: none">Jayden B 8MDaniel R 8MAlessandra P 8JJakub R 8PWiktorina T 8TBarbora S 8TDawid D 8VCayden R 8J
8 Peter: TOTAL: 125 UP: 77 DOWN: 2 POSITION: 3rd	8 Teresa: TOTAL: 139 UP: 93 DOWN: 4 POSITION: 1st	8 Veronica: TOTAL: 118 UP: 74 DOWN: 8 POSITION: 4th	

All teams started with 50 points.

"Soaring to Success"

Year 8 Everest League



How do you win?

Each week you will move **up** or **down** the league table depending on:

How do you move UP the league table?

- Full equipment (1 point)
- Reading book in tutor time (1 point)
- Planner signed (1 point)
- Outstanding work (2 points)
- Student/Tutor group at the top of ePraise that week (5 points)
- Student of the week mention in the newsletter (10 points)
- Top tutor group for Authorised Attendance (10 points)

How do you move DOWN the league table?

- Lack of equipment (1 point)
- Lack of reading book in tutor time (1 point)
- Planner not signed by parents (1 point)
- Late to school (2 points)
- Incorrect uniform (2 points)
- Detention (5 points)
- Any behavioural issues that are emailed to Miss WD from other teachers (10 points)
- Students on Behaviour Report (15 points)

Keep up the good work Year 8! 2 more weeks until Half Term.

Love,
Miss WD

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Year 13 Student Leadership Team

After weeks of presentations, interviews and voting from both staff and students, it gives me great pleasure to announce the new Year 13 Student Leadership Team:

Head Boy – Praveen Nathan

Head Girl – Efue Mahmud

Deputy Head Boy – Damian Woznicki

Deputy Head Girl – Georgia Flanagan

Student Leader – Louise Stannard

Student Leader – Emilia Chudziak

Please join me in congratulating all of these pupils. The competition was of the highest standard I have seen in my time at this school. They have done extremely well in achieving their new roles.

Mr Ojakovoh



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Sixth Form News

Year 13 Parents

A polite reminder that if your son/daughter is off school for any reason, then you must phone the school office. Please leave a message if you can't get through.

Also, pre-public examinations (PPEs) begin on Monday and will run until Thursday 15th October. A copy of the timetable is below.

Monday 5th October	12B Sociology		12C Sociology	PSHE	
Tuesday 6th October	12E Business Yr12 VocBus Yr13 Travel Yr13 Philosophy	12E Business Yr12 VocBus Yr13 Travel Yr13 Ethics	12D Psychology Yr12 History Yr12 Music Yr13 History Yr13 Chemistry Yr13 Geography		
Wednesday 7th October	Yr13 Drama	12A Psychology Yr12 Product Design Yr12 Spanish	Yr13 Biology Yr13 Geography Yr12 Geography Yr13 Drama	Yr13 History	
Thursday 8th October	Yr12 Eng Lang Yr12 Chemistry Yr12 Music	Yr13 Travel Yr13 Physics	Yr13 Travel Yr12 Philosophy Yr13 Physics Yr12 Physics Yr12 Music	Yr12 Biology Yr12 Media	
Friday 9th October	Yr13 Sociology Yr13 Computing	Yr13 Sociology Yr12 Economics Yr13 Economics Yr12 Ethics	Yr13 Psychology Yr12 Economics Yr13 Chemistry Yr13 Computing	Yr13 Psychology	Yr12 Law Yr13 Economics Yr13 Biology Yr12 Drama
Monday 12th October	Yr13 Maths Yr13 Sports Yr13 Law Maths Resit Yr12 Music	Yr13 Maths Yr12 Eng Lit Yr13 Law	12C Business Yr13 Maths Yr12 Media Yr12 Music	12C Business 13E Business Yr13 Eng Lit	Yr12 Sports 13E Business
Tuesday 13th October	Yr13 Media PSHE	Yr13 Maths Yr13 Health Yr12 Maths	Yr13 Eng Lang Yr13 Sports	Yr13 Eng Lang	13C Business Yr12 Eng Lit Maths Resit
Wednesday 14th October	13C Business	Yr13 VocBus	Yr13 VocBus	Yr13 Sports	
Thursday 15th October	Yr12 Health Yr13 DCT Yr13 French	Yr13 DCT Yr13 French	Yr13 Spanish	Yr13 Health Yr13 Spanish	

*Highlighted in red means they will be taken in the Sports Hall
 **All others will be in class

Congratulations to the following students for their excellent contributions to the student leadership contest- Praveen, Efue, Damian, Georgia, Frank, Louise, Emilia and Rahul. After an extremely close contest the following positions have been awarded- congratulations!

Head Boy: Praveen Nathan

Head Girl: Efue Mahmud

Deputy Head Boy: Damian Woznicki

Deputy Head Girl: Georgia Flanagan

Student leadership positions: Louise Stannard and Emilia Chudziak

Mr Matthews

Year 12 - Sutton Trust Pathways for Law, Medicine, Engineering, Banking & Financing

The Sutton Trust are an organisation that have worked to increase social mobility from birth to the workplace so that every young person has the chance to succeed in life. Many of our students have applied and been successful.

Students successful in their application will receive the best industry mentoring, insights and invites to events that will drive forward your understanding of your chosen field as well as make for a very impressive personal statement.

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Here is a video that explains a bit more about the Pathways programme:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ta_14DanteM

There are opportunities for Law, Medicine, Engineering, Banking & Financing and you can access them below:

Law: <https://www.suttontrust.com/our-programmes/pathways-to-law/> (27.11.20)

Medicine: <https://www.suttontrust.com/our-programmes/pathways-to-medicine/> (01.01.21)

Engineering: <https://www.suttontrust.com/our-programmes/pathways-to-engineering/> (03.11.20)

Banking & Finance: <https://www.suttontrust.com/our-programmes/pathways-to-banking-and-finance/> (02.11.20)

Students will need a reference from Mr Clark or their classroom teacher. The programme lasts two years, is free and the closing dates are with the links above.

UK Summer Schools – coming soon! This will open on the 8th January 2021 and this is where you spend a week or two at the top Russell Group universities – for more information, see here: <https://www.suttontrust.com/our-programmes/uk-summer-schools/>

Students must let me know in the following link if they are applying:

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=nRr-BijQTU2WCf5rTXAvSRiBf91E8yd-FijDy7Q9ytuJUMkFTOVRTUkRMOFFTTVBTMkdMSjdZTEFWRC4u>

Mr Clark

P.E News

Please could we remind you that students are not to wear hoodies to school as it is not part of our school or PE uniform policy. In addition to this we would like to inform you that student will now be able to wear black tracksuit bottoms to school AND in their PE lessons if they wish, due to the declining weather and options of activities that they will be participating in. Please can they be plain black with limited markings and not leggings. Students are still required to wear their St. Joseph's PE socks with this.

MFL News

MFL STARS OF THE WEEK

Liam Recio in 8T for his great progress, curiosity and hard work in French.

Daisy Loft in 10A for her consistent hard work.

Martyna Krzsej (9A) for her proactivity and engagement in lessons.

Timothy Banas (9C) for outstanding attitude to learning.

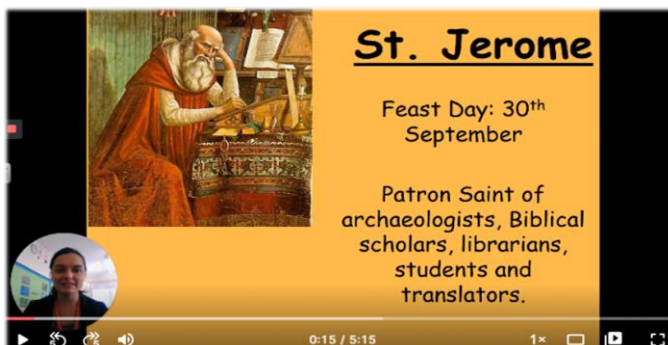
Nikola Siuta (9D) for her mature approach to learning.

Keeley Canavan (7V) for her enthusiasm and commitment in Spanish lessons.

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R.E News

The first socially-distanced Feast Day occurred on Wednesday, celebrating the life and works of St. Jerome! Although we were unable to come together for Mass, Miss Boland ensured that the occasion was marked with an inspirational Loom video which Jerome House watched during form period. The enthusiasm continued into break, as pupils enjoyed their doughnuts in the playground.



Pupil Nominations of the Week

Year 7

Nathan James and Emilia Czarna for always making an effort during feedback in lessons.

Year 9

Wiktoria Dudek and Alexandra Walerowicz for superb effort in Geography.

Year 11

Lyric Boateng-Lovinger for her excellent essay in History and Lindsay Wedji for her excellent recall through questioning in Geography.

Year 8

Dawid Duczek for being well organised and always willing to take part in tutor time activities, and Cayden Rodrigues for active participation in MFL and always being ready in tutor time with the necessary equipment. Superstars!

Year 10

Alex Kulczykowski for his great work in Maths and Dan Keys for his amazing progress in Food Technology.

Year 12

Aidan Lambourne, O'Tega Ayoma, Rosheoil Michael and Marvin Fotso – for outstanding **curiosity** and holding a very mature and well-informed debate this week. Aidan has also had an honourable mention for his work in Media Studies.

Savannah Khan – for a strong start to the year and showing a mature attitude (**autonomous**).

Year 13

Feranmi Sanni for showing compassion and maturity when supporting other students when they are in difficulty and all those that applied for the Student Leadership positions- the presentations and interviews were outstanding so well done to you all.