

## Message from E Breen, Vice Principal

This academic year has begun in earnest and it is hard to believe that we are fast approaching October. The new extra-curricular timetable is up and running, offering numerous clubs and activities. It is inspiring to see so many students taking full advantage of early morning clubs as well as the plethora of clubs and activities running after school. Please encourage your child to engage in at least one club as I have no doubt that the experience of attending clubs offers students many new skills and helps to increase their confidence too.

The year of Community remains central to our focus this year and we are well aware that the community of Bishop Challoner has a great reputation of supporting others. Mother Teresa said 'Never be so busy as not to think of others' and I am confident that the whole school community will strive to be committed in supporting others.

## **Teaching School Update**

We are adding a third University to our PGCE/School Direct Teacher Training programme. Along with Warwick and Newman, we will start to work with Birmingham City University - who can provide different subjects at PGCE such as D&T and Media Studies. Join us to find out more at Bishop Challoner, on Tuesday 1st October at 6 pm. Book a free place on our website: http://www.bctsa.org/Train-to-Teach-Events

## Year 7 Citizenship Lesson

Posters have been made by Year 7 showing the risks of eating too much sugar.







Lord, when I am hungry - lead me to feed others. When I am thirsty - give me water to satisfy others' thirst. When I am sad - lead me to bring joy to others. When burdens weigh upon me - lay upon my shoulders the burdens of other people. Lord, when I am greatly in need of tenderness and support - lead me to help someone in greater need. Amen

## Friday 27th September 2019

## **Chaplaincy**

In Chaplaincy this term, we have started introducing Chaplaincy to key stage 3 and what it means to us as a school through an interactive session. In this, we reflect on our mission statement which includes "Giving glory to God by serving others" and how we can live it out in school by getting involved in Chaplaincy. We are seeing every class of key stage 3 and running this session with them. Also, we have Fr Mario in speaking to classes about mass and breaking it down so students understand each part and what it means in our faith.

## Senior Citizen Tea Party

Bishop Challoner Catholic College would like to welcome family members to the Senior Citizen Tea Party on Wednesday 2nd of October from 2:00pm to 4:00pm at Bishop Challoner. I would be very grateful if you have family members that would be interested in attending the tea party to email me on s.mayor@bishopcahlloner. bham.sch.uk. Many thanks, Miss Mayor.

### SENCO Surgery

Mrs Breen (SENCO) and Mrs Warhurst (Assistant SENCO) will be available to discuss any queries or concerns you have about your child's special educational needs. Appointments are available between 3.30-6pm. Please telephone on 0121 444 4161 or email:

e.breen@bishopchalloner.bham.sch.uk

s.warhurst@bishopchalloner.bham.sch.uk

These will be held in PE1 on:

- · Thursday 3rd October, 2019
- · Thursday 21st November, 2019
- Thursday 16th January, 2020
- · Thursday 5th March, 2020
- Thursday 7th May, 2020

# BC Basics- Behaviour for Learning and Standards

A letter reaffirming the school's expectations regarding Behaviour for Learning and Standards is now available on the school website. Students have now all attended assemblies where the BC Basic classroom rules and wider school rules have been introduced. They will also see these displayed around the school.

## School Fund and Match Fund

Please visit the school website for more information on School Fund contributions and Match Fund through your employer.

## **Sports Updates**

#### **Fixtures**

A big well done to all pupils who have consistently been turning up to morning and after school clubs, numbers have been great across all sports so we really want to keep that up! Congratulations to the Year 10 football team who won their first match of the season 7-0 against St George's School, a fantastic result and positive start to the season. The Year 10 football team are all set for their next match this week against St John Wall School so the very best of luck to those pupils competing! The Year 9 boys' football team will also be competing this week in their first football match of the season, playing against Bilton School in the West Midlands Cup. Good luck to all boys competing!

The after school netball competitions have begun and the Year 8 and 9 girls competed in the Secondary School Games last week, winning 3/4 of their games, finishing second overall. Well done to all girls who participated, the team worked really hard and played well against tough competition.

Year 10 and 11 girls are set to compete in the netball Secondary School Games this week against various schools. Further netball competitions coming up include a Year 10 and 11 match against Colmers School and a Year 7 and 9 match against Camp Hill. Netball morning practise has been going really well so we wish the girls the very best of luck in this competition.

### **Athletics**

Bishop Challoner PE pupils from Year 7-10 participated in a really successful athletics workshop last week. Dean Miller, who works with British Athletics, came into school to deliver an athletics session and organised a range of athletic activities for the students. Pupils worked really hard and 15 pupils have been invited to the Street 2 Stadium Birmingham athletics talent day at the University of Birmingham track. This is a brilliant opportunity for our pupils to get more involved in athletics and receive expert coaching for the day so a well done to those who attended the workshop!

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Our Easter newsletter deadline is Monday 2nd December 2019.

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## Sixth Form

### **Masterclasses**

All students have been made aware of the masterclass opportunities available to them at local universities. These are a great way of both getting a taste of university life, and gaining deeper insights into chosen subjects. They fill up fast, so don't hesitate to get your requests in to Miss McGowan.

#### **Enrichment**

Year 12 enrichment started on Wednesday, with a wide range of opportunities, from First Aid, Sport, Subject Mentoring and Senior Tea Party. These enable students to develop their team building, communication and problem solving skills.

## **Punctuality and Attendance**

This is generally very pleasing. A reminder that ALL students need to be in their form room at 8.40 EVERY DAY please.

# **Upcoming Events**

**Shoebox Assemblies** Monday 30th September

Year 12 Settling in Interviews Monday 30th October-Friday 11th October

**Year 7 Early Review 6-8pm**Tuesday 1st October

KS3/4 Blood Brothers, Hippodrome Thursday 3rd October

Cafod Fast Day Year 11 Business Land Rover Visit Friday 4th October

Canteen- Moroccan Day Tuesday 8th October