

ST JOHN'S WEEKLY NEWS

A Learning Community guided by Gospel Values

3 NOVEMBER 2025

WEEK A



We had a wonderful morning before half term celebrating our Year 7 students and officially welcoming them into our Learning Community. Thank you to Father Coxon for leading our Mass and to all of our parents and carers who were able to join us. Well done to Year 7 for their behaviour and engagement during Mass, and a special mention to our fantastic readers and our incredible choir who sang so beautifully, as always.



We were blown away with the number of students who came along to our school production launch session for this year's musical, Little Shop of Horrors. Students from every year group came along to sign up for this year's show and we had great fun learning the audition songs.

Mrs Rose and Miss Liddle can tell there are going to be some tough decisions to make with casting.

Auditions are taking place on Wednesday this week and all are welcome to come along and be involved.

Anyone who was unable to attend the launch session should see Mrs Rose to sign up and receive the audition material.



Our fantastic term of sporting success continued in the final week before half term with our girls' teams soaring high. Our Year 7 and 8 girls' football team played in a series of 7-a-side fixtures at Parkside. The girls played four games and went unbeaten, drawing 0-0 with Durham Johnston and Teesdale and winning 3-0 against Staindrop and 3-2 against Sedgfield. The girls were excellent and showed great teamwork and effort in every match, even with players missing.



The Year 7, 8, 9 and 10 girls also took part in a Trust event at St Michael's on 22 October. The Year 9 girls came a close second winning three of their four games and the Year 7 and Year 8 girls both came third. The Year 10 girls showed great spirit coming fourth. A special mention to Thea P in Year 8 and Grace M in Year 10 who won a Virtue Award based on their excellent performances and support of their teammates and positive attitudes during the tournament.



A WORD FROM LISA BYRON,
HEADTEACHER

We hope everyone had an enjoyable and restful half term. A new term, and new month, bring with them so many new opportunities, and we look ahead to an exciting seven weeks in the lead up to Christmas. From trips and concerts to sporting events and enrichment activities, this promises to be another half term filled with opportunities for our students to shine both in and out of the classroom.

For our Year 11 and Year 13 students, the term begins with the first of this year's mock exams which are crucial for preparing our students for their GCSEs and A Levels in the summer term. We know our students have been working incredibly hard in the build up to these mocks, and we keep them in our thoughts and prayers throughout the next two weeks.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank all of our parents and carers for their ongoing support. Last half term we held Parent Information Evenings for every year group and we were delighted with the attendance and engagement at each one. This term sees the next stage of our parental engagement for the year with Progress Evenings for Year 11 and Year 10 and our first ever Meet the Tutor event for Year 7.



COMING UP THIS WEEK

Monday 3 November- Year 11 and Year 13 mock exams begin. We wish all of our students lots of luck and know their hard work will pay off.

Tuesday 4 November- We are holding a special bake sale in honour of Year 10 student Carla who is currently undergoing treatment for osteosarcoma. Some of our amazing Year 10 students have organised this to support fundraising efforts for Carla and sweet treats will be available to buy from the downstairs link across both break times. If anyone is able to contribute any cakes to the bake sale, they would be gratefully received.

Wednesday 5 November- Little Shop of Horrors auditions, 3.20-5pm. Following the launch event before half term, we are looking forward to seeing lots of talent on show at this year's auditions. All students are welcome to attend and should see Mrs Rose before Wednesday for audition material.

LAST WEEK'S ACHIEVEMENTS



ClassCharts

Year 7 Top Achievers

Lily B 70
Katherine J 7J
Annie B 7J
Richie M 7M
Francesca H 7J

Year 8 Top Achievers

Verity D 8M
Belle D 8A
Tommy S 8N
Kristen R 8A
Kai D 8A

Year 9 Top Achievers

Constance C 9N
Summer B 9H
Pippa H 9R
Evoline S 9A
Lexi K 9M

Year 10 Top Achievers

Matthew W 10R
Esther L 10J
Charlie B 10O
Mina S-E 10J
Aidan C 10O

Year 11 Top Achievers

Kristian W 11R
Chloe D 11H
Lily J 11H
Skye H 11O
Simone B 11R

High Five FRIDAY
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Virtues

St John's School Choir - Confidence (RBE & ALI)
Evangeline E 10J - Confidence (CJO)
Isabella E 10A - Confidence (CJO)
Zea L 10Y - Confidence (CJO)
Esther L 10J - Confidence (CJO)
Mollie M 10M - Confidence (CJO)
Eve M 10Y - Confidence (CJO)
Grace M 10J - Confidence (CJO)
Millie W 10M - Confidence (CJO)
Hollie D 10A - Confidence (CJO)
Leah W 10A - Confidence (CJO)
Robyn S 10N - Confidence (CJO)
Maddison S 10A - Confidence (CJO)
Grace L 10M - Confidence (CJO)
Lucie H 10M - Confidence (CJO)

Jack B 11N - Resilience (CJO)
10Y3 RE Class Responsibility (EST)
9A Respect (EST)
Brooklyn H 9A Resilience (EST)
Richie M 7M Responsibility (EST)
Pryla B Resilience (JSD)
Lucy O 12S Justice (ERA)
Finn H 12S Justice (ERA)
Daisy J 12S Justice (ERA)
April G 12S Justice (ERA)
Anya A 10M - Confidence (CJO)
Mylee A 10Y - Confidence (CJO)
Little Shop of Horrors Cast - Self-Belief and Confidence (NRO & ALI)

Respect, Responsibility, Honesty, Self-Belief, Confidence, Resilience, Justice, Compassion

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Year 8

Ella S 8N (NPA)
Tom B 8N (NPA)
Tani A 8N (NPA & LCU)
Freya V 8N (NPA)
Tyler C 8A (NPA & NHI)
Hannah K 8A (NPA)
George A 8M (AWR)
Harini T 8M (AWR)
Maddison D 8M (AWR)
Nathan M 8M (AWR & NHI)
Imogen O 8N (COS)
Olivia S 8J (COS)
Tanatswa M 8J (COS)
Lola M 8R (COS)

Emily B 8M (SCO)
Caleb R 8Y (SCO)
Isia T 8M (SCO)
Darcey L 8O (SCO)
Noah D 8Y (SCO)
Lexi A 8A (DIA)
Katie G 8J (DIA)
Francesca S 8O (SCO)
Wren C 8J (SCO)
Isabella G 8N (SCO)
Rosie S 8O (SCO)

Issac O 8R (NHI)
Batal O 8A (NHI)
Sam M 8A (NHI)
Thea P 8O (JSD)
Emmy T 8O (JSD)
Beau W 8O (JSD)
Jessica B 8J (JSD)
Almee H 8O (JSD)
Claudia M 8J (JSD)
Francesca S 8O (JSD)
Finley H 8O (JKE)

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Year 10

Ava W 10O (GMC)
Charlie L 10M (GMC)
Joey R 10O (GMC)
Maddison R 10N (GMC & NRO)
Taylor F 10R (GMC)
Taniasha A 10M (LBT)
Chloe B 10Y (LBT)
Levi-Mia B 10A (LBT)
Hollie D 10A (LBT)
Aiden G 10O (LBT)
Ella G 10R (LBT & DQJ)
Sophie H 10J (LBT & NRO)
Jessica M 10N (LBT)
Raine N 10M (LBT)
Rishon T 10O (NHI)
Lily M 10J (NHI)
Aiden D 10N (NRO)
Aidan C 10O (NRO)
Ylia S 10J (JSD)
Grace M 10N (NRO)

Michelle E 10R (DDE)
Rosie G 10M (DDE)
Harrison M 10M (LDV & LCU & JVJ)
Mille W 10M (LDV)
Harvey M 10R (LDV)
Levi W 10N (LBT)
Harry M 10N (JKE)
Charlie B 10O (JKE & NRO)
Ryan D 10A (JVI)
Lucia H 10J (DQJ)
Anna M 10M (DQJ)
Zea L 10Y (DQJ)
Robyn S 10N (NRO)
Prudence C 10O (NRO)
Grace A 10J (NRO)
Eithel L 10J (NRO)
Macy G 10O (JSD)
Elise G 10O (JSD)

Silver N 10M (LBT)
Bridie-Leigh R 10M (LBT)
Lucy S 10A (LBT)
Olivia S 10J (LBT)
Sophie T 10N (LBT)
Phoebe W 10O (LBT & NRO)
Levi W 10N (LBT)
Kyran N 10N (LBT)
Macey B 10Y (AWR & JSD)
Charlotte W 10A (AWR)
Jessica M 10N (AWR & JSD)
Eve B 10R (AWR & JSD)
Amelia C 10Y (AWR)
Callie T 10R (AWR)
Kyran N 10N (AWR)
Taniasha A 10M (AWR)
Kodi S 10N (NHI)
Harry C 10O (NRO)
Harry D 10N (NRO)
Emmanuel R 10N (NRO)
Eve M 10Y (NRO)

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High Five FRIDAY
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Year 12 and 13

Jess B 12T (LBT)
Max B 12S (LBT)
Joshua C 12S (LBT)
Isaac C 12T (LBT)
Katy F 12T (LBT)
Jaimie R 12T (LBT)
Spencer V 12T (LBT)
Rory B 12S (LBT)
Klaudia T 12T (NRO)
Kate B 12T (LQJ)
Hollie R 12T (LQJ)
Isabel W 12S (LQJ)
Levi W 12T (LQJ)
Amy-Jane W 12T (LQJ)
Jack C 12S (HTH)
Beth K 12T (EST)
Finn H 12S (EST)
Daisy J 12S (NRO)
Adam W 12S (NRO)

Poppy W 12T (DDE & LBT)
April B 12S (LBT)
Julia W 12S (EST & NRO)
Olivia F 12S (LBT & NPA & NRO)
Imogen McW 12S (LBT & NRO)
All Year 12 Chemistry Project (EMU)
Ruthy H 12S (LBT & NPA)
Ella M 12T (LBT & HTH)
Olivia E 12S (LQJ & NPA)
Emily V 12S (LBT & NRO)
Niamh C 12T (LBT & NRO)
Ryan D 12T (LBT)
Alicia M 12T (LBT)
Zak S 12T (LBT)
Abi T 12T (LBT)
Jenny S 12T (NRO)
Vincent T 12S (NRO)

Hannah A 13C (HTH)
Leo B 13R (LBT & HTH)
George B 13C (LBT)
Hannah B 13E (LBT)
Emily C 13A (LBT)
Logan E 13R (LBT)
Faye G 13E (LBT)
Katie H 13E (LBT)
Ezri H 13R (LBT & HTH)
John J 13A (LBT)
Savannah L 13E (LBT)
Evan E 13R (NRO)
Isabelle M 13R (LBT)
Sarah P 13C (EST)
Jessica P 13C (LQJ)
Maddison R 13E (LQJ)
Mia M 13A (LQJ)
David C 13C (LQJ)
Charlie P 13C (GMC)
Harry S 13R (GMC)
Nico H 13 (EST & LBT)

Lily A 13C (HTH)
Anna S 13A (HTH)
Freya F 13E (HTH)
Corina S 13O (HTH)
Rhys M 13R (HTH)
Sofia M 13E (EST)
Katie R 13E (EST)
Faye G 13E (EST)
Summer T 13C (EST)
Beth T 13A (EST)
Jack R 13C (NRO)
Elin L 13R (NRO)
Andrei E 13A (NHI)
Victoria R 13C (NHI)
Sam W 13A (NHI)
Laksh S 13C (NHI)
Ryan W 13C (NHI)
Myrren S 13A (LQJ)
Ella P 13A (LQJ)
Nico H 13 (EST & LBT)

Sofia M 13R (LBT)
Evan M-P 13R (LBT)
Isaac P 13R (LBT)
Freya F 13E (LBT)
Mia G 13A (LBT)
Leah H 13E (LBT)
New R 13C (LBT)
Annelia K 13A (LBT)
Daniel W 13E (LBT)
Olivia P 13E (LBT)
Anna S 13A (LBT)
Beth T 13A (LBT)
Aimee C 13C (NRO)
Ruby W 13A (NRO)
Eve C (EST)
Harriet F 13E (EST)

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Year 7

Casey M 7R (JKE)
Isia H 7R (JKE)
Krislyn Joy 7J (SDE)
Jorja-Anne M 7H (SDE)
Isaac W 7Y (NPA)
Ava M 7Y (NPA)
Isabel M 7Y (NPA)
Emilia O 7Y (NPA)
Joseph H 7J (CSW)
Ellie M 7Y (SCS)
Ella W 7A (SCS)
Jaxo H 7A (SCS)
Rose D 7N (COS)
Jorja-Anne M 7H (COS)
Ethan P 7H (RCA & COS)
Clinton S 7Y (CJO)
Michael R 7H (ALI)
Thomas-James C 7H (AHA)

Eddie DS 7N (RCA)
Archie D 7N (RCA)
Jonathan B 7N (RCA)
Isabel C 7H (RCA)
Sienna C 7N (RCA)
Jaxon L 7N (RCA)
Vogue T 7H (RCA)
Archie R 7M (RCA)
Grayson G 7Y (COS)
Ruby T 7J (COS)
Ava O 7R (LCU)
Ella B 7A (LCU)
Jack C 7M (LCU)
Elijah O 7M (EST)
Dionny A (EST)
Honey T 7M (EST)
Laurianne S 7M (EST)
Richie M 7M (EST)

Francesca H 7J (SCO)
Adelaide W 7O (SCO)
Grace C 7H (SCO)
Ada A 7M (SCO)
Dinny A 7M (SCO)
Jessyka D 7A (SCO)
Jaxon H 7A (MAI)
Jason L 7J (DDE)
Willow D 7R (JKE)
Ruby T 7J (DHA)
Naomi D 7A (DHA)
Priya B 7M (JSD)
Francesca B 7M (JSD)
Grace W 7J (JSD)
Erin M 7R (JSD)
Emma U 7M (JSD)
Athens A 7J (JSD)

Roman T 7A (SGO)
Naomi D 7A (SGO & JKE)
Pippa S 7R (SGO)
Ellie S 7R (SGO)
Abbie C 7H (SGO)
Sienna C 7H (SGO)
Jonathan B 7N (SGO)
Bethy M 7N (SGO)
Ruhben C 7J (DDE)
Toby H 7J (DDE)
Ruby S-S 7O (DDE)
Theo S 7O (DDE)
Emily L 7A (DDE)
Isaac C 7A (DDE)
Richie M 7M (NHI)
Mia P 7M (NHI)
Sofia H 7M (NHI)
Elijah O 7M (NHI)
Martha B 7H (ALI)

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Year 9

Michalina G 9R (LCU)
Isia C 9A (LCU)
Poppy S 9Y (LCU)
Matty R 9O (LCU)
Thomas H 9A (COS & NHI)
Ellie-Rose F 9J (COS)
Isaac B 9O (DDE)
Caitlin H 9O (DDE)
Ella W 9N (SCO)
Amelia P 9R (SCO)
Christie B 9Y (SCO)
Leyah H 9Y (SCO)
Evoline S 9A (SCO)
Lydia A 9A (SCO)
Elena W 9A (SCO)
Ella M 9M (SCO)
Rowan N 9A (SCO)

Eady T 9N
Lily J 9N
Charlie M 9N
Constance C 9N
Ella W 9N
Alfie O 9N
Grace N 9N
Mea T 9N
Isia F 9N
Hollie T 9N

Oily B 9R (DHA)
Tayla G 9O (DHA)
Millie B 9M (SEB)
Noah G 9H (SEB)
Daniel S 9R (NHI)
Lara S 9M (NHI)
Emily E 9A (NHI)
Imogen K 9J (JKE)
Indi B 9J (JKE)
Holly H 9R (JSD)
Grace R 9R (JSD)
Nancy J 9R (JSD)
Isia S 9M (JSD)
Abi H 9R (JSD)
Charlotte E 9R (JSD)
Ella W 9N (JSD)

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Year 11

Eden S 11J (AWR)
Hannah S 11J (AWR)
Chloe D 11A (AWR)
Molly B 11M (AWR)
Ava S 11M (AWR)
Lily W 11M (AWR)
Joshua W 11M (AWR)
Spencer S 11R (SEB)
Zuzanna W 11J (SEB)
Jenson R 11J (EST)
Olivia B-M 11M (EST)
Simone B 11R (EST & NRO)
Jacob B 11A (EST & NRO)
Maith S 11R (EST & NRO)
Nelle R 11R (EST & NRO)
Cadi S 11Y (EST)
Finley T-S (EST)
Molly W 11M (EST)
Nadia I 11M (NRO)
Eve M 10Y (NRO)

Joshua W 11M (NHI)
Ava R 11A (NHI)
Hannah V 11A (NHI)
Skye H 11O (NHI & EST)
Madelyn A 11N (NHI)
Michael E 11M (DPA)
Joel A 11N (DPA)
Liam B 11R (DPA)
Levi B 11R (DDE)
Eve B 11O (DDE)
Cadi S 11Y (LDV)
Michael E 11M (LDV)
Lola N 11O (LQJ)
Eden W 11Y (NRO)
Chloe H 11A (NRO)
Lewis W 11A (NRO)
Leon K 11R (NRO)
Freddie C 11A (NRO)

Hassan S 11J (JKE & EST)
Harrison B 11N (EST)
Jack R 11O (EST)
Eve S 11O (EST)
Thomas B 11N (EST)
Katie W 11O (EST)
Caitlin H 11M (EST)
Allannah A 11N (EST)
Jack B 11N (EST)
Finley C 11N (EST)
Lily J 11H (EST)
Hannah M 11N (EST)
Charlotte J 11N (EST)
Teddy M 11H (EST)
Lola N 11O (EST)
Sienna S 11H (EST)
Benjamin S-J 11H (EST)
Hannah S 11J (EST)
Grace 11H (EST)
Bobby E-A 11A (NRO)

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Department Stars of the Week- 24/10

Philosopher of the Week: Jack Clark 7M

Reader of the Week: Henri Brown 8R

Mathematician of the Week: Clinton Stephenson 7Y

Scientist of the Week: Emilia Ochman 7Y

Linguist of the Week: Grayson Groves 7Y

Historian of the Week: Olivia Sneddon 8J

Geographer of the Week: Joseph Hall 7J

Sportsperson of the Week: Boaz Findlay 7M

Designer of the Week: Isobel Mundell 7Y and Ellis Wearmouth 7A

Artist of the Week: Ali Race 8Y

Musician of the Week: Ella Smith 8N

Computer Scientist of the Week: Tommy Smith 8N

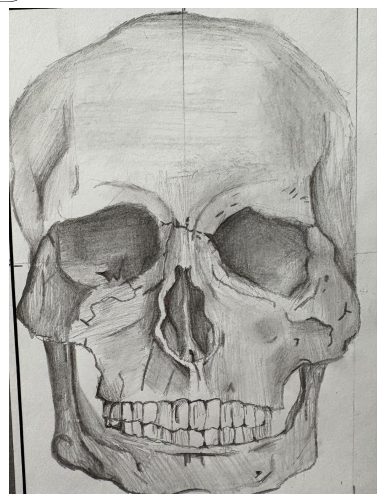
DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- Tuesday 18 November-** Year 7 Meet the Tutor (online)
- Tuesday 25 November-** Christmas Market, 6pm
- Friday 28 November-** Disaggregated INSET Day- School closed
- Thursday 4 December-** Year 11 Progress Evening
- Wednesday 10 December** Parishioner Christmas Lunch-
- Thursday 11 December-** Year 10 Progress Evening
- Monday 16 December-** Christmas Celebration
- Thursday 18 December-** Student Christmas Lunch
- Friday 19 December-** Break up for Christmas

I Heard a Whisper...

We ended our first half term with a whole bunch of whisper nominations! Well done to Mr Curry (Computer Science), Mr Hardwood (Maths), Mrs Nighoskar (Assistant Head of Year 8), Mr Smith (Head of Year 8), Mr Robertson (Head of MFL), Miss Hayes (Assistant Headteacher), Mr Rolston (Assistant Headteacher) Miss Ainsley (MFL), Mrs Pullen (Assistant Headteacher), Mr McIntyre (Deputy Headteacher), Ms Somers (Assistant Headteacher), Miss Humble (MFL), Mrs Thompson (Head of Year 12 and 13), Mrs Carter (Assistant Head of Year 9), Mrs Palmer (Social Sciences) and Mr Dunn (Assistant Headteacher/Director of Sixth Form) who cleared us out of Wispas! But do not worry, we have restocked ready for more nominations... iheardawhisper@stjohns.bhce.org.uk

Artist of the Week



Freya Annett, 8M

We love to celebrate and share our students' achievements, both in and out of school. If your child has a success they would like to share with us and are happy for it to be posted on our Facebook and Instagram pages, please email it, along with a photo, to Mrs Rose, Assistant Headteacher, at nrose@stjohns.bhce.org.uk.