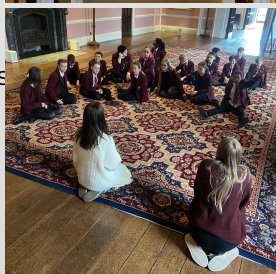




On Friday at St John's we hosted an incredible Trust event. Students from our Trust secondaries attended a special awards ceremony, having participated in a competition writing a letter detailing the life and journey of a pilgrim walking the El Camino pilgrimage over 500 years ago. The event was wonderful and our students and MFL department were exceptional ambassadors and hosts. A huge well done to our runners up, Emily and Emilia and our St John's winner, Saule who received a £100 Amazon voucher! A huge thank you to our incredible MFL staff and students who welcomed students from other schools so warmly and hosted such a well organised and successful celebration.



Friday was the turn of 7J to visit the Auckland Project, and we couldn't be prouder of them! They looked at artefacts and discussed how they related to the regeneration of Bishop Auckland. They then climbed Auckland Tower to look at real life urban generation. They looked around Auckland Palace and enjoyed sitting round the grand dining table together (but were slightly disappointed that the food wasn't real!) They ended a bus morning looking at the Faith Museum. Well done 7J, Miss Heads and Mrs Jervis were very proud of your good manners, your enthusiasm and respectful attitudes. It was great to see your learning come to life!



On Monday, a selection of Year 9 and 10 students were taken to Fujifilm Biotechnics in Billingham as part of their careers project. During the day they experienced life as a Lab Scientist and explored the many career opportunities available. The staff were very impressed with our students and their curiosity throughout- well done!



## COMING UP THIS WEEK

**Monday 18-** Year 10 Work Experience. Wishing our students lots of luck as they spread their wings and experience the world of work this week.

**Wednesday 20-** Year 7 Retreat. We hope our students have a wonderful time as they visit the Emmaus Youth Village for their first St John's Retreat from Wednesday after school to Friday.

**Wednesday 20-** All cast are needed for this week's Little Shop of Horrors rehearsals, until 4.30pm. Cast members should ensure they check their rehearsal schedule for all upcoming rehearsals.

**Thursday 21-** Year 13 Leavers' BBQ. We are looking forward to celebrating our Year 13 students in style at our traditional Leavers' BBQ on Thursday evening.

**Friday 22-** Last day of half term. Students in the House with the most ClassCharts points so far this year will receive an ice-cream reward on Friday afternoon, along with all of Year 11 and Year 13 for their hard work in exams so far.



A WORD FROM LISA BYRON,  
HEADTEACHER

### Spotlight on... Soar and Explore

Last week we shared our first teaser for our brand new cultural enrichment initiative, Soar and Explore. We will be revealing all details including target year groups and dates early this week, as well as contacting relevant parents and carers with

expressions of interest letters. Until then we wanted to give another little teaser of the destinations we have lined up for our students as part of our Soar and Explore programme.



St John's athletics squads attended the English School's Track and Field Cup last Thursday at Monkton Stadium. The students were a credit to the school in their attitude and effort whilst at the competition. Alongside some outstanding performances, it was also fantastic to see so many students giving their all in events they would have maybe never opted to do! Special thanks also goes to our Year 12 leaders, Lexi and Emilie, who were superb in running the discus alongside Mr Mangles.



# LAST WEEK'S ACHIEVEMENTS



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.bhcet.org.uk](mailto:nrose@stjohns.bhcet.org.uk).

## High Five FRIDAY

15 May 2026

### Virtues

Eve C 13C Compassion (EST)  
 Jessica P 13C Compassion (EST)  
 Faye G 13E Compassion (EST)  
 Katie H 13E Compassion (EST)  
 Hannah B 13E Compassion (EST)  
 Leah H 13E Compassion (EST)  
 Lily V 13E Compassion (EST)  
 Katelyn W 13E Compassion (EST)  
 Savannah L 13E Compassion (EST)  
 Joshua Y 13E Compassion (EST)  
 Amira E 9J Resilience (RCA)  
 Sienna S 11H Self-Belief (RSL)  
 Year 7 students who attended Mass on Tuesday- Respect (ERA)

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

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### Year 8

Belle D 8A (CLI)  
 Hannah K 8A (CLI)  
 Freya V 8A (CLI)  
 Kristen R 8A (CLI)  
 Jaxon C 8C (CSW)  
 Tobias S 8Y (CSW)  
 Hannah L 8Y (CSW)  
 Maggie W 8G (CSW)  
 Ali R 8Y (CSW)  
 Joni L 8Y (CSW)  
 Patrik S 8Y (CSW)  
 Luke D 8Y (CSW)  
 Emilia K 8Y (CSW)  
 Nathan M 8M (NHI)  
 Beial Q 8M (NHI)

Imogen O 8N (DDE)  
 Isabella G 8N (DDE)  
 Verity D 8M (DDE)  
 James T 8A (DHA)  
 Ali R 8Y (DHA)  
 Jessica B 8J (OWA)  
 Pola 8N (OWA)

Ali R 8Y (NPA)  
 Joni L 8Y (NPA)  
 Emilia K 8Y (NPA)  
 Hannah L 8Y (ASP)  
 Harry F 8M (ASP)  
 Kian H 8N (ASP)  
 Chuk O 8A (ASP)  
 Scarlett R 8R (ASP)  
 Heidi M 8A (ASP)  
 Charlotte W 8R (ASP)  
 Jonathan D 8M (ASP)  
 Seb G 8Y (ASP)  
 Emily B 8M (AWR)  
 Isla T 8M (AWR)

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### Year 10

Michelle E 10Y (JKE)  
 Thalia A 10Y (JKE)  
 Jake O 10Y (JKE)  
 Ewan R 10M (JKE)  
 Sophie B 10A (JKE)  
 Jessica A 10A (JKE)  
 Alex P 10Y (JKE)  
 Silver N 10M (JKE)  
 Yu Tao 10Y (JKE)  
 Lucie H 10M (JKE)  
 Anya A 10M (JKE)  
 Isabelle E 10A (JKE)  
 Niall B 10N (IAI)  
 Ruby S 10O (IAI)  
 Lily H 10A (IAI)

Halle M 10Y (DDE)  
 Brooke W 10M (EST)  
 Oliver B 10Y (EST)  
 Daisy L 10R (EST)  
 Henry S-J 10A (EST)  
 Joe W 10A (EST)  
 Harry W 10N (IAI)  
 Keiran W 10R (IAI)  
 Maddison R 10N (AWR)  
 Millie B 10R (AWR & EST)  
 Alessia Z 10O (AWR)  
 Maddison R 10N (AWR)  
 Robina K 10M (CMA)  
 Max A 10M (CLI)  
 Eve B 10R (EST)  
 Amelia C 10Y (EST)  
 Mason G 10Y (EST)  
 Charlie B 10O (NRO)  
 Harry D 10N (NRO)

Rosie G 10M (EST)  
 Clara J 10R (EST)  
 Thomas K 10R (EST)  
 Nathan K 10M (EST)  
 Harrison M 10M (EST)  
 Sophie R 10M (EST)  
 Tejaswi S 10A (EST)  
 Harry S 10Y (EST)  
 Brooke T 10R (EST)  
 Sienna T 10R (EST)  
 Millie W 10M (EST)  
 Matthew W 10R (EST)  
 Alfie W 10A (EST)  
 Iris C 10J (NRO)  
 Aiden D 10N (NRO)  
 Emmanuel R 10N (NRO)

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## High Five FRIDAY

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### Year 12

Durga S 12T (CPU)  
 Lucy O 12S (CPU)  
 Eason Z 12T (CPU)  
 Poppy W 12T (DDE)

Year 12 IT (SMC & DMI)  
 Anna T 12S (HTH)  
 Durga M 12T (HTH)  
 Donald B 12B (OWA)

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### Year 7

Richie M 7M (CMA)  
 Iona S 7O (CMA)  
 Ada A 7N (CLI)  
 Meggan W 7M (CLI)  
 Adelaide W 7O (CLI)  
 Eden T 7H (CLI)  
 Emilia O 7Y (NPA)  
 Samuel H 7Y (NPA)  
 William W 7Y (DDE)  
 Charlie H 7Y (DDE)  
 Emily M 7Y (DDE)  
 Bella L 7N (RCA)  
 Ethan I 7N (RCA)

Sadie G 7A  
 Sophie R 7O  
 Ella H 7M (NHI)  
 Priya B 7M (NHI)  
 Laila G 7M (NHI)

Esmae U 7M (EST)  
 Boaz F 7M (EST)  
 Jack C 7M (EST)  
 Lexi Mae H 7M (EST)  
 Francesca B 7M (EST)  
 Eleanor S 7M (EST)  
 Lucas K 7M (EST)  
 Laurianne S 7M (EST)  
 Laila G 7M (EST)  
 Dinny A 7M (EST)  
 Ella H 7M (EST)  
 Amalie W 7M (EST)  
 Richie M 7M (EST)  
 Aaliyah C 7U (OWA)

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## High Five FRIDAY

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### Year 9

Frankie B 9J (JKE)  
 Harley G 9A (ERO)  
 Asia S 9A (ERO)  
 Sophie W 9A (ERO)  
 Craig R 9A (ERO)  
 Noah H 9A (ERO)  
 Lydia S 9A (ERO)  
 Thomas H (ERO)  
 Leon W 9A (ERO)  
 Tom C 9A (ERO)  
 Frankie B 9J (DDE)  
 Laila K 9J (DDE)  
 Melissa B 9Y (DDE)  
 Charlie M-T 9N (IAI)

Neve O 9J (SGO)  
 Lucy C 9J (SGO)  
 Evie P 9A (NHA)  
 Aela S 9A (NHA)  
 Brooklyn H 9A (NHA)  
 Kahlia S 9R (ASP)  
 Alfie O 9B (OWA)  
 Lexi H 9A (ASP)  
 Ella W 9J (ASP)  
 Noah G 9H (ASP)  
 Isaac B 9H (ASP)

Erin M 9O (ASP)  
 Jack B 9A (NHI)  
 Daniel S 9R (NHI)  
 Cobie G 9J (NHI)  
 Nancy T 9R (NHI)  
 Grace R 9R (NHI)  
 Frankie T 9H (DHA)  
 Alfie L 9M (DHA)  
 Zak H 9O (MHA)  
 Michalina 9R (MHA)  
 Isaac B 9H (MHA)

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## High Five FRIDAY

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### Year 11

Willow H 11J (JKE)  
 Chloe D 11H (JKE)  
 Pasi A 11N (JKE)  
 Ava T 11R (LDV)  
 Cadi S 11Y (LDV)  
 Jack B 11J (LDV)  
 Rachael M 11Y (LDV)  
 Ava S 11N (LDV)  
 Aidan D 11J (LDV)  
 Charlotte J 11H (LDV)  
 Ryan D 11Y (LDV)  
 Terry N 11A (LDV)  
 Ella D 11R (LDV)  
 Amelia O 11N (LDV)

Skye H 11O (NHI & NRO)  
 Nadia I 11M (NHI)  
 Madelyn A 11N (NHI)  
 Chloe C 11A (NHI)  
 Ava R 11A (NHI)  
 Josh W 11M (NHI)  
 Reuben S 11J (NHI)  
 Marko V 11M (NHI)  
 Elise S 11A (NHI)  
 Molly D 11A (NHI)

Molly C 11Y (AWR)  
 Molly B 11H (AWR)  
 Chloe D 11A (AWR & NRO)  
 Madie H 11M (AWR)  
 Sofia A 11O (SLO)  
 Stephanie A 11O (SLO)  
 Thomas B 11N (SLO & NRO)  
 Ben B 11H (SLO)  
 Molly M 11O (CLI)  
 Lexi B 11R (NRO)  
 Eve M 11R (NRO)  
 Joel J 11J (NRO)  
 Finley B 11Y (NRO)  
 Lewis W 11A (NRO)

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### Year 13

Lily V 13E (HTH)  
 Alfie J 13R (HTH)  
 Katie C 13R (HTH)  
 Harriet F 13E (EST)  
 Jessica P 13C (EST)  
 Summer T 13C (EST)  
 Sarah T 13A (EST)  
 Beth T 13A (EST)  
 Ruby W 13A (HTH & NRO)  
 Sarah T 13A (HTH)

Year 13 Lang Lit (LHA & NRO)  
 Year 13 Literature (LHA)  
 Keeva R 13E (NHI)  
 Imogen C 13C (CPU)  
 Lily H 13R (CPU)  
 Milandev A 13C (CPU)  
 Jonny L 13C (CPU & HTH)  
 Jack R 13C (NRO)

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### ClassCharts

#### Year 7 Top Achievers

Ella H 7M  
 Richie M 7M  
 Laila G 7M  
 Niko F 7O  
 Jason L 7O  
 Esmae U 7M

#### Year 8 Top Achievers

Isabelle G 8N  
 Tommy S 8N  
 Imogen O 8N  
 Pola K 8N  
 Ella S 8N  
 Matilda T 8J

#### Year 9 Top Achievers

Annalise M 9Y  
 Grace R 9R  
 Issac B 9H  
 Neave W 9Y  
 Abigail H 9R  
 Michalina G 9R

#### Year 10 Top Achievers

Daisy L 10R  
 Sophie B 10A  
 Millie B 10R  
 Tejaswi S 10A  
 Jacob D 10J  
 Alfie W 10A

#### Year 11 Top Achievers

Reuben S 11J  
 Chloe C 11A  
 Skye H 11O  
 Madelyn A 11N  
 Katie W 11O  
 Kristian W 11R

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- Monday 1 June- School reopens
- Monday 15 June- Year 5 Week 1
- Wednesday 17 June- Year 11 Celebration Day
- Monday 22 June- Year 5 Week 2
- Thursday 25 June- Virtue Awards
- Tuesday 30 June- Year 11 Prom
- Thursday 2 July- Year 6 Welcome Evening
- Monday 6/ Tuesday 7 July- Little Shop of Horrors school production
- Thursday 9/ Friday 10 July- Year 6 Induction
- Tuesday 14 July- Whole school liturgies
- Friday 17 July- Break up for Summer
- Wednesday 2 September- School reopens for all students

## 1 Heard a Whisper...

Last week was Mental Health Awareness Week, and it has been proven that helping to spread joy through kindness, compliments and gratitude is good for our mental health. Showing appreciation helps to boost others, and gives our own mental health a boost too- what's not to love about that!

Well done to Mrs Harding (Humanities), Kim (Admin/ First Aid), Mrs Swinbank (Humanities) and Mr Dunn (Assistant Headteacher/ Director of Sixth Form) for their well deserved nominations.

We love to receive these emails of gratitude each week, and love to spread the joy to our staff so keep them coming:

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## Artist of the Week



Zuzanna Pruszkowska, 11J