



## LAST WEEK'S EVENTS



On Wednesday we held an intra-school trampoline competition in the Gym. Congratulations to all of the students who performed a five, seven or ten bounce routine. It was lovely to see the students rising to the challenge of performing in a competitive environment.

As we approach the end of November, we thank everyone who has taken the time to add to our Remembrance Tree this month. The tree, and all of the special leaves which hang from its branches symbolise that the loved ones we have lost remain in our thoughts and prayers.



## COMING UP THIS WEEK

### November / December

- ❑ **Monday 28-** Pre-loved Uniform Shop. All are welcome to come along to pick up some pre-loved uniform between 3.15-5pm from the Sixth Form area (please enter via Sixth Form Entrance)
- ❑ **Tuesday 29-** Student Leadership Team meeting during Pastoral in the Lecture Theatre (*rearranged from last week*)
- ❑ **Tuesday 29-** Last week's cancelled Netball match against Teesdale will now be played at home for the Year 9 and 10 teams only and is likely to finish by 5.15pm
- ❑ **Wednesday 30-** Understanding Autism Information Session. Main Hall, 4-5.30pm. Please contact Mrs Kreczak to book a place (lkreczak@stjohns.bhcet.org.uk)
- ❑ **Thursday 1-** Year 11 Progress Evening. Parents are reminded to sign up for appointments via School Cloud if they have not done so already. Students should attend the evening with their parents and be in full uniform.

## A WORD FROM LISA BYRON, HEADTEACHER



*This week we enter the season of Advent, a time where we reflect, prepare and wait with patience for the coming of Jesus. Each Sunday in the build-up to Christmas Day, a special candle is lit. These candles symbolise Hope, Love, Joy and Peace and help to remind us of the true meaning of Christmas. It is often easy to get lost in the excitement of the festivities, or to feel the pressure to live up to certain expectations surrounding Christmas. However, this year more than ever, it is so important that we remember what matters this Christmas. This week's candle was the candle of Hope, and we look forward to this year's festivities with hope and gratefulness for the time we will spend with our loved ones, for that is what the festive season is all about.*

*If I decorate my house perfectly with plaid bows, strands of twinkling lights and shiny baubles, but do not show love to my family, I'm just another decorator.*

*If I slave away in the kitchen, baking dozens of Christmas cookies, preparing gourmet meals and arranging a beautifully adorned table at mealtime, but do not show love to my family, I'm just another cook.*

*If I work at the soup kitchen, carol in the nursing home and give all that I have to charity, but do not show love to my family, it profits me nothing.*

*If I trim the tree with shimmering angels and crocheted snowflakes, attend a myriad of holiday parties and sing in the choir but do not focus on Christ, I have missed the point.*

*Love stops the cooking to hug the child. Love sets aside the decorating to kiss the family. Love is kind, though harried and tired. Love doesn't envy another's home that has coordinated Christmas china and table linens.*

*Love doesn't yell at the kids to get out of the way, but is thankful they are there to be in the way. Love doesn't give only to those who are able to give in return but rejoices in giving to those who can't.*

*Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never fails. Video games will break, necklaces will be lost, golf clubs will rust, but giving the gift of love will endure.*

*(1 Corinthians 13: A Christmas Version, Sharon Jaynes)*

St John's Catholic School Presents...



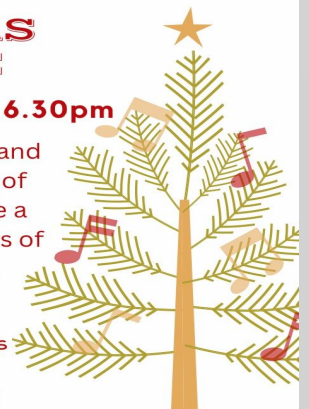
## THE QUEEN'S CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

**Thursday 15 December. 6.30pm**

We invite you to come along and be part of a special evening of music and drama, as we take a journey back through 70 years of Queen Elizabeth II's reign.



Featuring a special performance of songs and scenes from **Nativity the Musical**



Tickets can be reserved via MyEd or by contacting Main Reception



# LAST WEEK'S ACHIEVEMENTS



ST JOHN'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL & SIXTH FORM COLLEGE

**Virtues**  
(Respect, Responsibility, Honesty, Self-Belief, Confidence, Resilience, Justice, Compassion)

Daniel B 8R (NRO) Compassion  
Oliver B 8J (JKE) Confidence  
Freddie N 8R (JKE) Resilience  
Liam B 8R (JKE) Compassion  
Jack P 8R (JKE) Compassion  
Mya M 8Y (LHE) Resilience and Self-Belief  
Ellie B 8M (LHE) Resilience  
Lyra W 10N (NRO) Confidence

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**Year 7**

Mollie M 7O (SEB) Amelia D 7Y (DDE)  
Joe W 7O (SEB) Cruz J 7Y (DDE)  
Charlotte T 7R (HHA) Brooke S-B 7Y(DDE)  
Harvey M 7R (HHA) Grace L'A 7N (DDE)  
Krystian K 7J (HHA) Bridie R 7M (LHE)  
Daisy BW 7J (HHA) Lucy N 7A (LHE)

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**Year 8**

Hassan S 8J (DMI) Mrs Sturdy's RE Class: 8H  
Isabelle P 8Y (SDE) Liana A 8O (DDE)  
Melissa H 8N (IAI) Ava R 8H (DDE)  
Finley TS 8A (MDV) Sienna S 8H (DDE)  
Megan M 8O (KIB) Jamie M 8J (DDE)  
Haideen R 8J (AWR) Finlay C 8N (SEB)  
Willow H 8J (AWR) Evie C 8N (SEB)  
Bobby E 8J (AWR)

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**Year 9**

Kimberley G 9H (ARI & IAI) Jasmine H 9J (JKE)  
Lucy O 9M (ARI & ATO) Ella M 9Y (HHA)  
April G 9A (ARI & DDE) Adam L 9M (HHA)  
Abi T 9M (ARI) Taylor SJ 9M (HHA)  
Dillon O 9R (CLI) Jaimee R 9J (HHA)  
Rory B (ATO) Thea C 9O (HHA)  
Leah R 9O (RMO) Max P 9N (KIB)  
Ruby H 9M (RMO) Chrimi M 9A (AWR)  
Loran C 9O (RMO) Isabel W 9A (AWR)  
Thomas H 9J (ATO) Grace W 9A (AWR)

Yulia S 9M (AWR)  
Olivia F 9R (EST)  
Maison R 9R (EST)  
Paddy T 9R (EST)  
Yasmin W 9A (DDE)  
Crimmi M 9A (DDE)  
Grace R 9M (DDE)  
Parker B 9M (DDE)

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**Year 10**

Eloise L 10N (CLI) Ella W 10A (HHA)  
Lucy J 10R (CLI) Jack B 10R (HHA)  
Lily A 10O (CHA) Lily V 10M (HHA)  
Annemarie K 10A (CHA) Jayden H 10H (HHA)  
Jonny L 10Y (CHA) Eva R 10H (HHA)  
Kayleigh B 10N (RMO) Harry S 10R (LDV)  
Callum P 10O (RMO) Joseph B 10Y (LDV)  
Olivia P 10O (RMO) Alfie J 10A (MDV)  
John J 10Y (DMI) Kaylie B 10N (AWR)  
Adam W 10H (IAI) Hannah M 10R (DDE)  
Aiden M 10N (IAI) Ella P 10J (DDE)  
Joel W 10R (ACH) Gabi F 11A (EST)  
Spencer H 11R (EST)

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**Year 11**

Erin T 11A (CLI) Isabelle C 11O (EST)  
Chloe C 11M (CHA) Mason D 11N (EST)  
Freya R 11Y (RMO) Robyn D 11N (EST)  
Keira I 11O (RMO) Ruby G 11O (EST)  
Harri S 11O (RMO) George G 11O (EST)  
Maia S 11N (RMO) Kieran I 11S (EST)  
Edy P 11S (HHA & EST) Tea K 11J (EST)  
Beth P 11N (HHA) Daniel J 11O (EST)  
James B 11H (HHA) Nathan L 11J (EST)  
Alfie C 11Y (LDV) Ryan Mc 11H (EST)  
Allysa C 11M (SEB) Bethany P 11N (EST)  
Brendan 11Y (SEB) Rebecca S 11N (EST)  
Thandie M 11A (SEB) Amelie T 11J (EST)  
Emily C 11H (KIB) David B 11S (EST)

Ruby L 11R (ACH)  
Lydia M 11N (DDE)  
Tess J 11S (NRO)  
Katie M 11M (NRO)  
Katie L 11M (NRO)  
Sophie C 11M (NRO)  
Andrew B 11Y (NRO)  
Cameron L 11R (NRO)  
Cory W 11Y (NRO)  
Evi D 11H (AWR)  
Carina S 11N (EST)  
Michael S 11O (EST)  
Ava S 11J (EST)  
Lara A 11S (EST)  
Demi B 11N (EST)

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**Year 12**

Charlie M 12P (LMA) Millie R 12E (LBT)  
Thomas M 12P (LMA) Evie C 12E (EST)  
Daniel N 12P (LMA) Emma M 12H (EST)  
Mia L 12P (LBT & EST) Amelia K 12P (DDE)  
Katelyn P 12H (LBT & EST) Lily N 12O (LBT)  
Eve H 12P (LBT) Olivia K 12O (LBT)  
Emilia C 12P (LBT & EST) Emily W 12O (LBT)  
Matilda H 12H (LBT) Kate F 12P (NRO)  
Jakub P 12E (LBT) Charlotte H 12P (NRO)  
Michael OH 12E (LBT) Katie C 12P (NRO)  
Neve W 12E (LBT & EST) Eleanor T 12E (NRO)

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**Year 13**

Hannah P 13I (LBT) Tom B 13F (LBT)  
Lewis B 13T (LBT) Ebony 13F (LBT)  
Laila M 13T (LBT) Ruby B 13F (LBT)  
Lucy S 13T (LBT) Nell K 13F (LBT)  
Guy B 13A (LBT) Keira K 13T (LBT)  
Harrison A 13A (LBT) Ellie R 13F (LBT)  
George T 13A (LBT) Katie S 13F (LBT)  
Owen P 13I (LBT) Aaron W 13T (LBT)  
Niall M 13T (LBT) Tyler E 13T (LBT)  
Annabel C 13I (LBT) Danny S 13A (LBT)

Teddy D 13A (LBT)  
Olivia R 13H (LBT)  
Joe G 13F (LBT)  
Mia W 13H (LBT)  
Sam T 13A (LBT)  
Charlotte S 13T (LBT)  
Tierney L 13A (DMI)  
Rhethan D 13T (DMI)  
Jake A 13T (DMI)  
Will K 13I (CLI)  
Neve W 13A (SJO)

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## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- Monday 5 December- Ski Trip Information Evening for all students and their parents/carers going on the Easter 2023 Ski Trip. Main Hall, 5pm
- Monday 5 December- Year 13 Mock Exams begin
- Wednesday 7 December\*- SEND Coffee Morning- **\*Unfortunately this event has been cancelled and will be rearranged for January**
- Thursday 15 December- Christmas Concert, 6.30pm
- Monday 19 December- Sixth Form Dinner Dance
- Tuesday 20 December- Last day of term
- Wednesday 4 January- School reopens



## LRC BOOK OF THE WEEK

### A Shiver of Snow and Sky, Lisa Lueddecke

Skane is a dark, hard, cold and beautiful island, with magic in its bones. Osa doesn't remember the last time the plague came, heralded by the red lights in the sky, but now it is back again. In the last plague, her mother died, but Osa survived. Osa is not prepared to let her people suffer again, So, when the Or, the vicious and violent warriors who drove her people from their first home, come to the island, she sets off, alone and against all advice, for the distant mountains where the Goddess is said to live...

