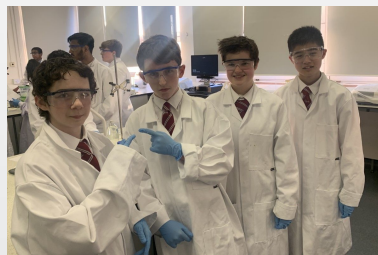




LAST WEEK'S EVENTS

Well done to our amazing Vocal Ensemble who took part in the Durham Music Choir Competition on Wednesday at the beautiful Ushaw College. The students were an absolute credit to St John's and were commended for their beautiful performance, which they will be performing again at next week's Christmas concert.



This week, Mr Poots took four of our students to Teesside university to take part in the Top of the Bench Teesside regional heat, where they competed against 14 other schools. They did extremely well, working together to complete an online quiz, research and a practical investigation.

Members from our MADD Performing Arts Group were invited to perform alongside St Chad's and St Wilfrid's primary schools in their Christmas Nativity at St Mary's Church. The students read and performed beautifully and were fantastic representatives for St John's.



Following on from finishing their studies of Baroque music, Year 10 GCSE Music students and musicians attended a concert by the Royal Northern Sinfonia in St Cuthbert's Church, Darlington, which included a programme of Baroque music. Before the concert, they enjoyed an Italian meal and had the chance to celebrate their achievements this year so far.

On Wednesday afternoon, GCSE and A Level Drama students took part in a Physical Theatre workshop with representatives from Durham Gala Theatre. The workshop was hugely engaging and beneficial to the students and they were complimented on their enthusiasm and talent.



A WORD FROM LISA BYRON, HEADTEACHER



As we enter our third week of Advent, we focus on the theme of Joy and consider all of the reasons we have to be joyful. We also think about those people who may not feel joy around this time of year and pray for them. It has been wonderful to see the many Advent Angels now adorning our Christmas tree outside of the Main Hall, a reminder of the help we are giving to bring some joy to others this Christmas.

A special mention this week goes to Yasmin Watson in 9A who selflessly committed to running 30,000 metres throughout the month of November to raise money for the Ukraine Humanitarian Appeal and Newcastle Helping Street Friends charities. So far Yasmin has raised a superb £315 and we are so proud of her compassion and efforts in helping others to feel joy.



On Tuesday we celebrated the achievements of our Duke of Edinburgh students at a Celebration Evening to honour their fantastic efforts and successes.



December

COMING UP THIS WEEK



- ❑ **Monday 12-** Year 13 mock exams continue
- ❑ **Tuesday 13-** Parishioners' Christmas Lunch, 12-2pm. Students will be served by members of our Student Leadership Team and enjoy a festive performance from our Vocal Ensemble.
- ❑ **Tuesday 13-** Due to our Parishioners' Christmas Lunch taking place in the Sixth Form Bistro, Sixth Form students, other than those with external exams in January, will be remote learning.
- ❑ **Thursday 15-** Christmas Concert, The Queen's Christmas Message, 6pm. We still have a few tickets available for this event which promises to be a very special and festive evening filled with Christmas entertainment and celebration. Refreshments and a tombola will be available on the evening.
- ❑ **Friday 16-** Student Christmas Lunch Day.

CHRISTMAS ACCESSORY DAY

On the last day of term, Tuesday 20th December, students can attend school wearing a Christmas accessory alongside their normal school uniform. This could be a Christmas jumper (in place of blazer), scarf, hat or festive themed headwear. It is completely optional and all students must still be in normal uniform other than their accessory.

LAST WEEK'S ACHIEVEMENTS



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

Jacob M 11A- Resilience (SRO)
All Y12 & Y13 Criminology students- Self-Belief (LBT, HTH, RCA & NPA)
Vocal Ensemble- Confidence (RBE)
Year 10, 11 and 12 Drama- Confidence (NRO)
MADD Group- Confidence (NRO)

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Year 7

Jacob H 7H (ATU)
Aidan C 7H (ATU)
Sam R 7H (ATU)
Lee S 7H (ATU)
Cruz J 7Y (DAT)
Lennox H 7Y (DAT)
Mollie M 7O (CKI)
Georgia M 7O (CKI)
Ewan R 7O (CKI)
Harrison M 7O (CKI)
Amelia R 7M (CKI)
James D 7M (CKI)
Max A 7M (CKI)
Jessica M 7N (CKI)
Millie H 7N (CKI)
Yu Qi C 7O (ATU)

Poppy G 7N (CKI)
Charlie T 7N (CKI)
Oliver J 7N (CKI)
Dexter M 7N (CKI)
Grace M 7Y (VPU)
Evie M 7Y (VPU)
Mylee A 7Y (VPU)
Georgia C 7R (VPU)
Macey B 7Y (VPU)
Tillie E 7Y (VPU)
Elise G 7H (VPU)
Laila C 7N (VPU)
Sophie T 7N (VPU)
Esther L 7J (LMA)
Taylor-Mae F 7J (LMA)
Nathan K 7M (LHE)

Thomas K 7R (ESM)
Matthew W 7R (ESM)
Charlie-J 7N (DDE)
Tanisha A M 7N (DDE)
Kate T 7Y (IAI)
Brooke W 7M (IAI)
Lucy H 7O (PBA)
Millie W 7O (PBA)
Lucy S 7O (PBA)
Anna R 7N (PBA)
Connor A 7Y (SRO)
Layton H 7Y (SRO)
Shane F 7Y (SRO)
Amelia D 7Y (SRO)

All of 7O (LHE)
Clara J 7R (ESM)
Ella G 7R (ESM)
Isabella E 7A (MWI)
Maddison S 7A (MWI)
Silver N 7M (MWI)
Sophie R 7M (MWI)
Brooke T 7A (MWI)
Jessica B 7A (MWI)
Mina S-E 7J (RST & LMA)
Raine N 7M (CKI & MWI)
Thalia A 7M (CKI & MWI)
Megan P 7N (CKI & VPU)

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Year 8

Madelyn A 8N (ATO)
Paige A 8N (ATO)
Chloe H 8N (ATO & CKI)
Imogen P 8N (ATO & CKI)
Lucus S 8N (ATO)
Thomas T 8N (ATO)
Tilly R 8H (CKI)
Ava R 8H (CKI)
Grace I 8H (CKI)
Phoebe H 8H (CKI)
James K 8H (CKI)
Teddy M 8H (CKI)
Benjamin S-J 8H (CKI)
Bradley W 8H (CKI)

Keley B 8N (CKI)
Melissa H 8N (CKI)
Isabelle G 8N (CKI)
Olivia W 8N (CKI)
Harrison B 8N (CKI)
Jude B 8N (CKI)
Thomas T 8N (CKI)
Kuba P 8O (RST)
Mya M 8Y (RST)
Scarlett-Rose R 8J (DDE)
Stephanie A 8O (DDE)
Joel J 8J (DDE & AWR)
Jack S 8Y (CHA)
Rachael M 8Y (CHA & NRO)

Noah L 8R (MWI)
Eve M 8R (MWI)
Lexi B 8R (MWI)
George H 8H (ATU)
Elliot R 8H (ATU)
Alfie S 8H (ATU)
Robert B 8R (ATU)
Joshua S 8J (PBA)
Reuben S 8J (PBA)
Hassan S 8J (PBA)
Izzy P 8Y (LHE)

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Year 9

Isla D 9A (DAT)
Daisy J 9A (DAT & NHA)
Kate M 9Y (DAT)
Lucy O 9M (DAT)
Poppy W 9R (DAT)
Jessica W 9M (DAT)
Yasmin W 9A (DAT & NHA)
Ella W 9Y (DAT)
Lexi W 9Y (ATO)
Isaac C 9J (ATO)
Ruby H 9H (CKI)
Summer S 9H (CKI)
Nina K 9H (CKI)
Lyra W 9H (CKI)
Ryan D 9H (CKI)
Eason Z 9H (CKI)
Lewis L-W 9H (CKI)

Brooke K 9N (LHA & MWI)
Lexi J 9N (LHA)
Harrison H 9J (LHA)
Wesley AH 9H (LHA)
Jaimie R 9J (LHA)
Luca R 9H (LHA & IAI)
Evie L 9J (LHA)
Thomas G-1 9J (LHA)
Joshua C 9N (LHA)
Abi T 9M (DDE)
Kirstie W 9M (DDE)
Matthew B 9A (DDE)
April G 9A (NHA)
Samara W 9A (NHA)
Jenny S 9Y (LWI)

Jake W 9Y (CLI)
George B 9Y (CLI)
Hope F 9A (CLI)
Malsun R 9R (AWR)
Lily-Mae R 9M (AWR)
Loran C 9O (SRO)
Imogen M 9J (SRO)
Max P 9N (SRO)
Jude T 9H (SRO)
Ella C 9O (SRO)
Isaac C 9J (SRO)
Lexi J 9N (MWI)
Izzy W 9N (MWI)
Adam L 9M (HHA)
Hollie H 9M (HHA)
Mrs Sturdy's RE Class, 9R

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Year 10

Kaylie B 10N (DAT)
Ollie F 10N (DAT)
Harry H 10H (DAT)
Amelia K 10N (DAT)
McKenzie K 10J (DAT)
Eloise L 10N (DAT)
Jack N 10J (DAT)
Liam V 10O (DAT)
Jacey W 10H (SEB)
Katie R 10H (SEB)
Ryan D 10J (SEB)
Jaimie W 10O (SEB)
Kacper C 10A (CJO)
Ben S 10A (CJO)
Imogen C 10H (ESM)
Logan M 10N (ESM)
Milandev A 10A (CJO)

Jessica P 10N (ATO)
Isabelle M 10J (CKI)
Katie-Grace C 10O (CKI)
Sarah L 10H (CKI)
Adam W 10H (CKI)
Laksh S 10J (CKI)
Joshua M 10O (CKI)
Adam P 10J (LHA)
Jessica P 10N (LHA)
Lily W 10H (LHA)
Erin L 10O (LHA)
Lily O 10M (LHA)
Amelia W 10J (AWR)
Eva R 9H (HHA)
Jack R 10H (NRO)
George P 10N (NRO)
Kirill L 10H (NRO)

Eve C 10O (LHA)
Tom B 10H (LHA)
Connor B 10J (LHA)
Josh M 10H (RST)
Freya M 10J (IAI)
Maddy P 10A (SRO)
Theo W 10R (SRO)
Finlay H 10M (SRO)
Kacper C 10M (SRO)
Teegan H 10A (SRO)
Madison R 10R (SRO)
Sam W 10N (ESM)
Jack N 10J (ESM)
Ellie B 10N (ESM)
Annabelle M 10N (ESM)
Poppy D 10R (LHE)
Neeve T 10A (DDE)

Ayomikun A 10Y (EST)
Leo B 10Y (EST)
Joseph B 10Y (EST)
Jamilie B 10R (EST)
Aimee C 10M (EST)
Effie H 10Y (EST)
Jonny K 10Y (EST)
Neve R 10M (EST)
Hannah S 10R (EST)
Faith S 10Y (EST)
Summer T 10R (LHE)
Lucy J 10R (LHE)
Lily H 10O (LHE)
Charlie M 10H (LHE)
Gabi F 10A (CJO & EST & LHE)
Eleni B 10N (DAT & LHE & NRO)
Lily D 10N (ESM & LHE & NRO)
All Year 10 GCSE Statistics (LDV)

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Year 11

Chloe C 11M (LMA)
Katie B-S 11M (CKI & LMA)
Carrera J 11M (CKI & LMA)
Sienna B 11R (CKI)
Charlotte M 11A (CKI)
Rishie S 11Y (CKI)
A-Jay W 11A (CKI)
Alfie J 11M (CKI)
Elsa J 11T (LHA)
Jasmine S 11A (LHA)
Thomas S 11R (LHA)
Lincoln J 11Y (LHA)
Oli B 11A (LHA)
Molly H 11T (LHA)
Megan M 11Y (LHA)
Emily A 11N (LHA & LMA)

Jack B 11O (LHA)
Carina S 11N (LHA)
Imogen S 11J (LHA)
Christy S 11Y (DDE)
Katie G 11J (RST)
Ruby G 11O (LMA)
Erin T 11A (SEB)
Brendan S 11Y (SEB)
Alyssa C 11M (SEB)
Niamh S 11R (LDV)
Bethany T 11S (LDV)
Abigail B 11N (LDV)
All of 11Y/EN3 (SRO)
Sophie C 11M (LMA)
Lucy G 11H (LMA)
Ben D 11H (LWI)

Hannah B 11H (ATU)
Zak G 11M (ATU)
George M 11A (SRO)
Adam H 11A (SRO)
Lara A 11S (EST)
James B 11H (EST)
David B 11S (EST)
Isabelle C 11O (EST)
Deiliah G 11S (EST)
George G 11O (EST)
Daniel J 11O (EST)
Tea K 11J (EST)
Ryan Mc 11H (EST)
Edy P 11S (EST)
Cory W 11Y (NRO)
Cameron L 11R (NRO)
Katie M 11M (LMA & NRO)

Michael S 11O (EST)
Ava S 11J (EST)
Sam A 11T (DAT)
Dylan C 11M (DAT)
Lucy M 11R (SBH)

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Year 12

All Y12 Physics (CLI)
Amelia K 12P (DDE)
All Y12 Criminology (LBT, NPA & RCA)
Evie C 12E (LBT & EST)
Emilia C 12P (LBT)
Eve H 12P (LBT)
Katelyn P 12H (LBT)
Max P 12E (LBT)
Daisy G A 12O (LBT)
Emily W 12O (ATU)
Thomas B 12O (EST)
Mia R 12E (EST)
Sharon W 12H (LHE)
Eleanor T 12E (LWI & NRO)

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Year 13

Mia W 13H (LBT)
Teddy D 13A (LBT)
Harrison A 13A (LBT)
George T 13A (LBT)
Sam T 13A (LBT)
Keira K 13T (LBT)
Ruby B 13F (LBT)
Tom B 13F (LBT)
Ben H 13T (LBT)
Sophie S 13H (LBT)

Nicole F 13H (LBT)
Harry W 13H (LBT)
Ross C 13H (LBT)
Niall M 13T (LHE)
Eleanor M 13A (SRO)
Jessica D 13T (SRO)
Sadie W 13A (SRO)
Imogen W 13T (NRO)
All Y13 Physics (CLI)

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- Monday 19 December- Sixth Form Dinner Dance, 7pm, Ramside Hall
- Tuesday 20 December- Last day of term. School will finish at 1.05pm on this day, with buses leaving at 1.15pm. Students are invited to wear a Christmas accessory alongside their normal uniform for the last day only. .
- Wednesday 4 January- School reopens
- Thursday 12 January- Sixth Form Progress Eve
- Thursday 19 January- Year 9 Progress Eve



LRC BOOK OF THE WEEK

The Christmasaurus, Tom Fletcher
The number-one-bestselling children's novel from Tom Fletcher. This is a story about a boy named William Trundle and a dinosaur named the Christmasaurus. It's about how they meet one Christmas Eve and have a magical adventure. It's about friendship and families, sleigh bells and Santa, singing elves and flying reindeer. It's about discovering your heart's true desire, and learning that the impossible might just be possible.

