ST JOHN'S WEEKLY NEWS

A Learning Community guided by Gospel Values

2 MAY 2023 WEEK B



LAST WEEK'S EVENTS





On Wednesday, students and staff in Wilfrid House enjoyed a special ice-cream treat to celebrate them being the winning House last term.

A huge well done to our Year 12 students who last week completed day 3 of their training course to become a CAFOD Young Leader, a superb way to give back to others and the community.





Well done to Posi in 8N and Thea in 8Y who took part in a County-wide dance showcase at the Gala Theatre last week. They choreographed an outstanding upbeat street dance routine that wowed the audience! They were a pleasure to take along and were like professional dancers throughout the day- fantastic!

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A WORD FROM LISA BYRON. HEADTEACHER

As 'A Learning Community Guided by
Gospel Values', a mission statement of
which we are very proud, being a
community and working within our local
community is something we strive to do on
a daily basis. From helping out in our local
parishes and food banks to holding
community events, our students are taught
the importance of being a member of a
community and we love to give them the
opportunities to exercise their community
spirit. This week's newsletter alone
showcases a number of examples of
students and staff serving their school, local
and even the wider community.



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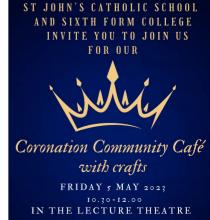


COMING UP THIS WEEK

Tuesday 2- NEU Strike Action. School will be open to students in Years 11, 12 and 13 only, as well as those who receive Free School Meals. All other students are to access online lessons or complete remote learning. Please see the parent/carer letter for further details.

- **Tuesday 2-** Year 11 will be celebrating Mass with Fr Dennis during Pastoral, their final Mass before embarking on their GCSEs and next steps.
- Wednesday 3 and Thursday 4- Strictly St John's. The rehearsals are over, the sequins are shining and the dancing shoes are polished ... Strictly St John's is finally here! This promises to be a very entertaining event with all proceeds raised supporting the vulnerable families within our community and beyond. Thank you to all of our staff involved, and good luck to those dancing and helping to make this such a wonderful occasion. For those attending, doors open at 5.45pm and there will be a bar available from 6pm. Tickets are to be collected at the door for those who have reserved them. If you would still like to attend, please contact Mrs Nighoskar or school directly to enquire about last minute ticket availability.
- **Wednesday 3-** A reminder from Miss Bell that Choir will be running as normal on Wednesday when students return following the Bank Holiday and Strike, as well as Drum, Vocal and Organ lessons. Please check the Performing Arts notice board for lesson timings.
- ☐ Friday 5- Coronation Celebration afternoon. To commemorate this momentous occasion, we will be enjoying a 'Big Lunch' as a school from 12.30pm with some special treats and surprises in store. No hot food will be served on this day. Please see the MyEd letter for more details and ensure you have completed the form for lunch preferences.
- ☐ Friday 5- We are also inviting our parents and carers, as well as members of our local community, to our Coronation Community Cafe from 10.30am in the Lecture Theatre. Please RSVP to lheads@stjohns.bhcet.org.uk if you would like to attend. Please see the poster for more details.
 - Friday 5- GCSE PE Practical Moderation. Good luck to all of those involved.





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LAST WEEK'S ACHIEVEMENTS











DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- Monday 8 May- Bank Holiday- Coronation Tuesday 9 May- Students will follow
 - Monday's timetable on this day Thursday 11 May- Year 8 Progress Eve
- Friday 12 May- Year 13 Leavers Day
- Monday 15 May- Summer exams begin
- Friday 26 May- School closes for Half Term
- Friday 26 May- Year 13 Leavers BBQ, **Durham Rugby Club**
- Thursday 29 June- Year 11 Prom Celebration Thursday 13 and Thursday 14 July- Addams Family the Musical. Tickets on sale soon.

FOCUS ON

Once again, we have been spoilt for choice with nominations this week and so have decided to shine a spotlight on some of our wonderful Admin team who are definitely the unsung heroes of St John's. Thanks to these ladies, and all those within the team, the day-to-day life of school runs a lot more smoothly. Well done to Mandy our Attendance Officer,

Danielle our Exams Officer and Joanne our Finance Officer who were all nominated by colleagues and all received a sweet treat.

Please email <u>iheardawhisper@stjohns.bhcet.org.uk</u> to nominate.







Has a member of staff at St John's gone

above and beyond in their role or gone out

of their way to help or support?

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to notify us of the staff who you think

deserve a special shout out and a sweet

Each week we will share a selection and

celebrate those members of staff.

