ST JOHN'S WEEKLY NEWS

A Learning Community guided by Gospel Values

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LAST WEEK'S EVENTS

On Wednesday and Thursday we held our fourth 'Strictly St John's', and what a superb event it was, enjoyed by all who attended and participated. We raised over £3000 to support the vulnerable families within our community and beyond, and are extremely grateful to anyone who helped or supported in any way. A special thank you, however, must go to Mrs Nighoskar who is the brains behind the event and worked tirelessly to organise everything and make it such a huge success. Well done also to our winners and runners up over the two nights: Miss Robinson and Mrs Pryer (Wednesday Champions), Leah Dixon and Lauren Reeve (Wednesday runners-up), Miss Batty and Mr Hutchinson (Thursday Champions) and Mrs Clay and Molly Clay (Thursday runners-up). This event is a true reminder of what a fantastic community we are at St John's and we look forward to it running again in the future.



On Tuesday we were joined by Fr Dennis to celebrate our Year 11 Mass, their final one before they embark on their exams and next steps. It was a lovely way to bring the year group together and well done to our student readers.

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On Friday we enjoyed a day of Coronation celebrations within school. On the morning we held a special Coronation Community Cafe which was well attended by our local community, including the Mayor and a local councillor. Having enjoyed tasty treats, many participated in a crafting activity. Our students were wonderful ambassadors for our school, helping to serve, entertain and chat to our guests. Our Coronation celebrations then continued into the afternoon with our students enjoying a picnic lunch together. Students were also treated to a special Coronation Photo Booth and enjoyed donning some royal masks, crowns and posing on our very own throne! Lunchtime was finished off perfectly with a rendition of the National Anthem by our superb Wind Band. Students then learnt more about the Coronation and Monarchy during Period 4 and rounded off the day during Period 5 with some Coronation crafts where classes designed themed doors which will be judged next week (look out for the best designs in next week's edition).

COMING UP THIS WEEK

- **Tuesday 9-** Students will be following Monday's timetable when they return on Tuesday and so should ensure they have all of the correct equipment and books for those lessons. The remainder of the week will run as normal.
- **Wednesday 10-** Selected Year 9 students will get the opportunity to hear from a Holocaust survivor via Zoom and ask questions. The selected students will be informed on Tuesday morning.
- **Thursday 11-** Year 8 Progress Evening. Appointments are still available to be made via School Cloud. We look forward to welcoming our Year 8 students and their parents and carers for discussions on progress, next steps and potential option choices for next year.
- Friday 12- Year 13 Celebration Day, from 11am. We look forward to welcoming our Year 13 students and their parents/carers for a special liturgy to celebrate their time at St John's as they begin their exams.
- Friday 12- A Level PE Practical Moderation- good luck to all involved.

Building work will begin this week on extending and refurbishing our student toilets, and therefore there are some changes for students to be aware of. When entering the school site at the start of the day, only Year 7 students should use the bottom gate. All other Year Groups need to access the site from the Woodhouse Lane main gate. Congregation areas before school have also changed for some year groups. Year 7 will now congregate inside the Gym and Year 10 will congregate on the grassed area outside of the portacabins.

LAST WEEK'S ACHIEVEMENTS



both in and out of school. If your child has a success they Facebook and Instagram pages, please email Engagement Coordinator, at <u>nrose@stiohns.bhcet.org.uk</u> on our for it to be posted and share our students' achievements, Community are happy Arts and Rose, to share with us and to Mrs to celebrate photo, with a would like love 1 along \ %e





DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- Monday 15 May- Summer exams beginFriday 26 May- School closes for Half Term
- ☐ Friday 26 May- Year 13 Leavers BBQ, Durham Rugby Club
- ☐ **Monday 19 June-** Year 11 Celebration Day (more details to follow)
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 Thursday 29 June- Year 11 Prom Celebration
- ☐ Monday 3 July- Year 12 Work Experience
- Tuesday 4 July- Year 6 Welcome EveningMonday 10 July- Year 10 Work Experience
- ☐ Thursday 13 and Thursday 14 July- Addams Family the Musical. Tickets on sale soon.

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We have had some more more wonderful nominations that we would like to share with you, celebrating our fantastic staff! Well done to Mrs Clay, our Pastoral Support Officer, Miss Hayes, Head of English and Mr Brooks, Computer Science who all received a

Has a member of staff at St John's gone above and beyond in their role or gone out

above and beyond in their role or gone out of their way to help or support?

Please email

iheardawhisper@stjohns.bhcet.org.uk to notify us of the staff who you think deserve a special shout out and a sweet treat.

Each week we will share a selection and celebrate those members of staff.

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