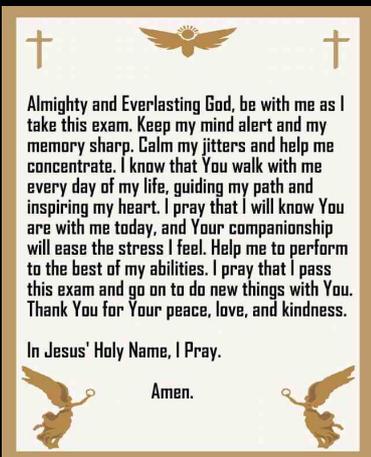




## A WORD FROM LISA BYRON, HEADTEACHER

*And just like that, we begin another exam season! All of the work our students have done over the past two years, and even before, has been leading up to now. They have shown fantastic work ethic and efforts towards their studies as well as a great deal of resilience through challenging times. Whatever these exams may bring, we are incredibly proud of each and every one of them and we keep them in our thoughts and prayers over the next month.*



On Wednesday, the anniversary of the Nazi invasion of France in 1940, 51 Year 9 students were lucky enough to join a Zoom call hosted by the Holocaust Education Trust with Annick Lever BEM. Annick explained the experiences and horrors she and her family faced both during and after the Second World War, and our students listened with engagement and respect throughout.



## LAST WEEK'S EVENTS

On Friday we celebrated our wonderful Year 13 students as they embark on their exams and their final weeks at St John's before their exciting next steps into the world of university, apprenticeships and work. We were joined by parents and carers for our Celebration Mass, led by Fr Dennis, followed by an afternoon of food, photos and alternative awards. Well done to those who read and to our wonderfully talented musicians, Ross, Nicole, Lucy and Marisa. There was even a special performance from our Strictly Stars, Miss Batty and Mr Hutchinson and Lauren and Leah. A wonderful celebration for a wonderful group of people! Good luck Year 13, Class of 2023.



Following a heavily fought competition over on our Facebook page, on Friday we announced the winners of our Coronation Door competition. Well done to Mrs Stephenson and 80 for their E8 door, Mrs Deverell and Year 12 Art for their Art1 door and the students from the Support Room for their door. What great creativity on show!



A huge well done to our Year 11 Boys' Football Team who won the League Cup Final last Friday with a 4-3 victory. The boys showed great sportsmanship and teamwork, and this is particularly impressive as they have managed this alongside their GCSE revision. Well done, boys!

## COMING UP THIS WEEK

### May

**Monday 15-** External examinations begin for Year 11 and Year 13 students. Year 11 students will remain in school as normal, attending their usual lessons when they are not in exams or booster sessions. We are offering a comprehensive booster timetable for our students to fully support them through the exam process and ensure they get specialist input directly before each exam. Here is this week's timetable.

**Tuesday 16-** Selected students from Years 8, 9 and 10 will be representing St John's in the English Schools' Athletics Competition. We wish them all lots of luck!

**Thursday 18-** Members of our Addams Family cast are watching a performance of the musical at Spennymoor Town Hall. Students should meet at the venue at 6.30pm.

*All week this week is Mental Health Awareness Week and we will be focusing on tips and support in school and on our social media pages.*

	KS4 Exams KS5 Exams	Breakfast Boosters (8.50-9.20am)	AM Exam (9.30am start)	PM Exam (1pm start)	PM Boosters
Monday		RE (Main Hall)	GCSE RE Paper 1	GCSE Drama BTEC Sport Unit 1 BTEC Health and Social Care Unit 1 (resit)	Drama- 11-12.30pm (Main Hall) Biology- 1-3pm (Science Labs)
Tuesday		Biology (Main Hall/Lecture Theatre)	GCSE Biology Paper 1	GCSE Media Studies	Media- 11-12.30pm (Lecture Theatre) English- 1-3pm (Main Hall) A Level Geography 1-3pm (E2)
Wednesday		English (Main Hall)	GCSE English Lit Paper 1 A Level Geography	GCSE PE	PE- 11-12.30pm (PE Classrooms) History- 1-3pm (Lecture Theatre and History Classrooms) A Level Economics (PE1)
Thursday		History (Main Hall)	GCSE History A Level Economics BTEC Sport Unit 22 BTEC Business Unit 3	GCSE Business Paper 1 Criminology	GCSE Business- 11.30-12.30 (C1) Criminology 11-12.30pm (Lecture Th) Psychology 11-12.30pm (SF1) GCSE Maths 2-3pm (Maths Classrooms)
Friday		Psychology (SF)	GCSE Maths (non-calc) A Level Psychology	GCSE Computer Science BTEC Health & Social Care	Computer Sci 11.30-12.30 (ICT1/2) H&S 12-12.30pm (Lab 11)

# 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, Arts and Community Engagement Coordinator, at [nrose@stjohns.bhcet.org.uk](mailto:nrose@stjohns.bhcet.org.uk).

**ST JOHN'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL & SIXTH FORM COLLEGE**

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

Mia H 9J - Confidence and Responsibility (LHE)  
Finley I 9J - Confidence and Responsibility (LHE)  
Milandev A 10A - Responsibility (LHE & LDV)  
Tom B 10H - Responsibility (LHE & LDV)  
Joseph B 10Y - Responsibility (LHE & LDV)  
Hannah B 10Y - Responsibility (LHE & LDV)  
Emmie C 10N - Responsibility (LHE & LDV)  
Effie H 10Y - Responsibility (LHE & LDV)  
Max N 10M - Responsibility (LHE & LDV)  
Victoria R 10A - Responsibility (LHE & LDV)  
Benjamin S 10A - Responsibility (LHE & LDV)  
Harry S 10R - Responsibility (LHE & LDV)  
Sarah T 10Y - Responsibility (LHE & LDV)  
Year 9 students who attended the Holocaust Survivor talk - Respect and Compassion (CMA)  
Sophie S 13H - Responsibility (EST)  
Katie S 13F - Responsibility and Resilience (EST)

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12th May

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**Year 7**

Iris C 7J (LMA)  
Ethan D 7 J (LMA)  
Alesha Z 7H (CMA)  
Harry C 7H (CMA)  
Clara J 7R (CMA)  
Matthew W 7R (CMA)  
Thomas K 7R (CMA)  
All of 7J (RST)  
Ryan D 7A (AWR)

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**ST JOHN'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL & SIXTH FORM COLLEGE**

**Year 8**

Hannah V 8A (CMA)  
Hannah B 8R (CMA & NRO)  
Frances D 8Y (RST)  
Isabelle P 8Y (RST)  
Rachael M 8Y (RST)  
Scarlett-Rose R 8J (ARI)  
Hassan S 8J (AWR)  
Freddie N 8R (NRO)  
Ollie H 8R (NRO)  
Harry G 8R (NRO)  
Kaela H 8R (NRO)  
Scarlett Hop. 8R (NRO)  
Noah L 8R (NRO)  
William C 8R (NRO)

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**ST JOHN'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL & SIXTH FORM COLLEGE**

**Year 9**

Brandon C 9H (LHE)  
Mia D 9J (LHE)  
Reuben D 9N (LHE)  
Daniel F 9H (LHE)  
Mia H 9J (LHE)  
Finley I 9J (LHE)  
Evie L 9J (LHE)  
Shamara M 9N (LHE)  
Ned C 9N (PCL)  
Hollie M 9R (CMA)  
Dillon O 9R (CMA)  
Anna T 9A (CMA)  
Rosa J 9Y (AWR)  
Daisy J 9A (AWR)

All the Year 9 students who attended the Holocaust Survivor talk (CMA)  
Mrs Sturdy's RE Class: 9U (EST)

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**ST JOHN'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL & SIXTH FORM COLLEGE**

**Year 10**

Health and social care class (VNI)

Ayo A 10Y (EST)  
Leo B 10Y (EST)  
Joseph B 10Y (EST)  
Aimee C 10M (EST)  
Ella C 10Y (EST)  
Joshua E-H 10Y (EST)  
Gabi F 10A (EST)  
Faye G 10Y (EST)  
Nicole H 10Y (EST)  
Effie H 10Y (EST)  
Jonny L 10Y (EST)  
Mike M 10M (EST)  
Neve R 10M (EST)  
Hannah S 10R (EST)  
Faith S 10Y (EST)  
Ruby W 10M (EST)

Ellie B 10N (RST)  
Lacey R 10N (RST)  
Sophia D 10H (CMA)  
Lily W 10H (CMA)  
Lucas E 10O (AWR)  
Dominic M 10O (NRO)  
Eliot B 10N (NRO)  
Mia G 10H (NRO)  
Lily D 10N (NRO)  
Jack R 10H (NRO)

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**ST JOHN'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL & SIXTH FORM COLLEGE**

**Year 11**

Lara A 11S (EST)  
David B 11S (EST & NRO)  
Isabelle C 11O (EST)  
Robyn D 11N (EST)  
Ruby G 11O (EST)  
Daniel E 11O (EST)  
Tea K 11J (EST)  
Ryan Mc 11H (EST)  
Jessica Mc 11O (EST)  
Edy P 11S (EST)  
Jonas R 11H (EST)  
Carina S 11N (EST)  
Michael S 11O (EST)  
Ava S 11J (EST)  
Sophie C 11M (NRO)  
Katie M 11M (NRO)  
Isobel G 11R (NRO)  
Cameron L 11R (NRO)

Amelle T 11J (EST)  
Jamie W 11J (EST)  
Raiyan R 11J (CMA)  
Robyn D 11N (CMA)  
Elsa J 11T (CMA)  
Lucy M 11R (SBH & ATO)  
Katie L 11M (SBH & ATO)  
James W 11H (EST)  
Riley S 11N (EST)  
Ben A 11S (LDV)  
Darcey M 11S (LDV)  
Niamh S 11R (LDV)  
Shay H 11M (AWR & NRO)  
Robert H 11R (AWR)  
James B 11T (AWR & NRO)  
Lucie D 11Y (AWR)  
Andrew B 11Y (AWR)  
Erin T 11A (NRO)  
Eleanor P 11M (NRO)  
Evan M 11M (NRO)

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**ST JOHN'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL & SIXTH FORM COLLEGE**

**Year 12**

Leah A 12P (VNI)  
Mohamad R 12O (VNI)  
Emily W 12O (VNI)  
Ebonie S 12O (VNI)  
Jack C 12E (VNI)  
Emmie G 12 E (VNI)  
Ametia K 12P (VNI)  
Mia L 12P (VNI)  
Olivia M 12P (VNI)  
Daniel N 12P (VNI)  
Wiktorija S 12H (VNI)  
Sumaiya S 12H (VNI)

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**ST JOHN'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL & SIXTH FORM COLLEGE**

**Year 13**

Robbie S 13A (SMC)  
Ross C 13H (EST)  
Freja C 13H (EST & HTH)  
Jessica D 13I (EST)  
Ellie K 13A (EST & HTH)  
Keira K 13T (EST)  
Marisa M 13F (EST & HTH)  
Matthew M 13H (EST)  
Summer N 13I (EST & HTH)  
Lauren R 13H (EST & HTH)  
Grace S 13H (EST & NRO)  
Sophie S 13H (HTH & NRO)  
Katie S 13F (EST & HTH)  
Emma R 13H (NRO)  
Amelie S 13T (NRO)

Leah D (SMG & HTH)  
Rhethan D (SMG & HTH)  
Nicole F (SMG)  
Lauren R (SMG)  
Lucy C (SMG & HTH)  
Neve W (SMG)  
Sam D (SMG & HTH)  
Imogen S (SMG)  
Oktawia P (SMG & HTH)  
Luke A 13A (HTH)  
Ruby B 13F (HTH & NRO)  
Mason B 13F (HTH)  
Ella H 13I (HTH)  
Gosia J 13H (HTH)

Abigail L 13I (HTH)  
Aimee M 13I (HTH)  
Imogen W 13T (HTH)  
Neve W 13A (HTH)  
Mia W 13H (HTH)  
Katie A 13A (HTH)  
Noah G 13T (HTH)  
Jake H 13I (HTH)  
Molly M 13H (HTH)  
Hannah P 13I (HTH)  
Lauren R 13H (HTH)  
Neil SM 13A (HTH)  
Harry W 13H (HTH)  
Matthew M 13H (LDV)  
Charlotte M 13F (LDV)  
Imogen W 13T (NRO)  
Kieran S 13I (NRO)

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## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- ❑ **Friday 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)
- ❑ **Thursday 29 June**- Year 11 Prom Celebration
- ❑ **Monday 3 July**- Year 12 Work Experience
- ❑ **Tuesday 4 July**- Year 6 Welcome Evening
- ❑ **Thursday 6/Friday 7 July**- Year 6 Induction
- ❑ **Monday 10 July**- Year 10 Work Experience
- ❑ **Thursday 13 and Friday 14 July**- Addams Family the Musical. Tickets on sale soon.



## FOCUS ON...

Since launching I Heard a Whisper three months ago, we have been overwhelmed by the number of wonderful emails we have received praising our staff and it makes us proud to be able to share these nominations with you each week.

Well done this week to Mr Robertson, Head of MFL, Susie our Parent Support Advisor and Tinamay one of our wonderful cleaners who have all received nominations and a treat. These nominations alone go to show the various people and roles involved in making our learning community what it is.

*I Heard a Whisper...*

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?

Please email [heardawhisper@stjohns.bhcet.org.uk](mailto:heardawhisper@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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