ST JOHN'S WEEKLY NEWS

A Learning Community guided by Gospel Values

3 JULY 2023 WEEK B



LAST WEEK'S EVENTS

On Thursday we held our Year 11 Prom Celebration at The Hammer and Pincers, and what a wonderful celebration it was! All students looked fabulous and a great night was had by all. We wish our students every success as they 'fly high'!



We are delighted and proud to announce that our Year 8 team have won this year's FBM (Future Business Magnates) Competition! The group's business idea, pencils with seeds in to be planted after use, was voted the best out of 15 schools, a fantastic achievement. The students each received £50 worth of vouchers and the school will also be awarded £1000. The students have been superb representatives and have made Miss Kennedy, group leader, extremely proud.



During the course of last week, Year 7 students visited High Force as part of their Geography Field Trip. Well done to the students for their excellent behaviour and engagement.





It feels just a matter of weeks since we were welcoming you all back for a new academic year and seeing our new Year 7 students begin their St John's journey. And yet, here we are in July and approaching the end of our final term. This week is an important week for next year's incoming Year 7 students as they meet their Tutors, receive important information ready for starting St John's in September and get to experience two days of lessons and activities with us to help ease their transition from Primary School. We look forward to welcoming them into school and hope they have a wonderful two days.



Last week we welcomed our Bishop Auckland cluster schools into St John's to experience life with us. They enjoyed lessons in Science, Art, ICT and History

welcomed Year 5 students from our Catholic Feeder Schools, Well done, all!

COMING UP THIS WEEK

Monday 3- Year 12 Work Experience. We hope all students have an enjoyable and useful week.

Monday 3- Year 10 mock exams continue this week. Good luck everyone!

Monday 3- Fire Service Talks for Years 7-9 are taking place during the course of the morning.

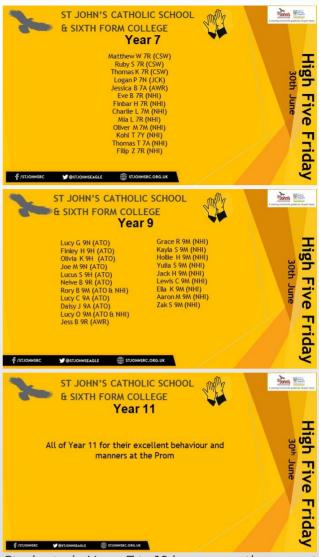
Tuesday 4- Year 6 Welcome Evening, 6-7.10pm. We look forward to welcoming our Year 6 students and their parents into school for key information about September and the chance to meet their Tutors and Tutor Groups. Wednesday 5- NEU Industrial Strike. School will be closed to all students other than Year 10, who will be attending lessons as normal and completing mock exams as scheduled, and those with Free School Meals. All other students should access live lessons and online learning according to their normal timetable. Lead cast members of The Addams Family should also attend school from 11.30-3 for rehearsals, or may come in from 8.50am if they get a bus. Please see the parent/carer letter for more details.

Wednesday 5- Friday 7- Year 9 and 10 Diocesan Summer Festival. Year 9 students attending may come into school as normal on the morning. The group will be departing at 12.30pm and returning on Friday for 3pm Thursday 6 and Friday 7- Year 6 Induction Days. These are running as planned and students will get the chance to experience a range of lessons and activities during their two days. We look forward to welcoming them. Friday 7- NEU Industrial Strike. As with Wednesday, school will be closed to all students other than Year 10 who will be attending lessons as normal and those with Free School Meals. Lead cast members of The Addams Family should also attend school from 11.30-2 (or all day if needed) for a special performance to Year 6 students. Friday 7- Project Kenya Trip departs. We wish our students and staff a safe, enjoyable and rewarding expedition. The group will be working in a school in Nakuru, painting newly built classrooms, teaching lessons and organising sporting events. They will also be visiting the Masai Mara on Safari and visiting a giraffe sanctuary.

LAST WEEK'S ACHIEVEMENTS







Students in Years 7 to 10 have recently competed in the District Athletics Competitions at Shildon Stadium.



Y7 Girls- 1st Y8 Girls- 1st Y8 Boys- 1st Y9 Girls- 2nd Y9 Boys- 3rd Y10 Boys- 1st Y10 Girls- 3rd

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- Sunday 9 July- The Addams Family Dress Rehearsal, 10am-4pm for all cast
- Monday 10 July- Year 10 Work Experience
- Wednesday 12 July- Sports Day
- ☐ Thursday 13 and Friday 14 July- Addams Family the Musical. Ticket availability is extremely limited.

(www.ticketsource.co.uk/st-johns-catholic-school)

- ☐ Tuesday 18 July- Rewards Day for Year 7 and the Winning House.
- ☐ Thursday 20 July- Break up for Summer
- Thursday 17 August- A Level ResultsThursday 24 August- GCSE Results

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FOCUS ON...

The work of our Admin staff is absolutely essential to the day to day running of school, and many of our staff would be unable to do their job without the support of the wonderful people who do these roles. Well done to Jayne and Steph, Danielle and Karen, as well as Sara and Joanne,

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
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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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part of our Finance Team, who all received nominations. This week we're delighted to see that their hard work, dedication and efficiency have not gone unnoticed. Email us at iheardawhisper@stjohns.bhcet.org.uk to nominate.

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