ST JOHN'S WEEKLY NEWS

A Learning Community guided by Gospel Values

19 FEBRUARY 2024 Week A



Well done to our wonderful choir who competed in the North East Secondary Choir of the Year competition at Durham Cathedral this afternoon. Although they did not win, all of our students showed incredible confidence and self-belief and sang their hearts out, and are all winners in our eyes!

Just before Half Term, we welcomed Year 9 students and their parents and carers into school to find out about the option subjects on offer. Our Heads of Department and subject representatives loved chatting to everyone about their courses and it was lovely to see so many students thinking carefully





and passionately about their next steps. Students have until March 1 to make their decision and are encouraged to talk to subject staff or their tutors if they have any further questions.



Our Year 7 and 8 Netball teams have had a fantastic start to their Netball season, with huge wins in all of their games! We are very proud of both teams, their skills are at an exceptional level and their commitment has been exemplary. A huge well done to both teams and to our Year 7 team for making such an incredible start to their time at St John's: Ava Walker, Isla Collinson, Sienna Newell, Chloe Moyo, Neve Wilkinson, Emmie Russell, Lydia Shutt, Beau Allison, Olivia Bell, Sophia Aldred, Christie Brown and Isla Smith.



A WORD FROM LISA BYRON. HEADTEACHER

I hope you all had a restful and enjoyable half term break. As we head into a new half term, we look forward to more exciting events and opportunities for our students and we also prepare for the imminent exams for our Year 11 and Year 13 students. Our Year 11 students demonstrated excellent commitment to their recent mock exams which they completed before half term, and we are incredibly proud of the Resilience and Self-Belief they have shown. These important virtues have also been demonstrated by many of our students who have improved their attendance recently. A particular well done to 7R, 8J and 10J who had the most improved attendance across the school at the end of half term, all improving by 5%.

Our most recent attendance figures are:

Year 7- 93.4%

Year 8-91.9%

Year 9-88.5%

Year 10-84%

Year 11- 92.5%

Self-Belief and Resilience are two of the key virtues which we strive to instil in all of our students. Not only are they vital for achievement and enjoyment throughout school, but are also extremely important characteristics to ensure success in adult life.

On the last day of term we celebrated National Pizza Day with students from Cuthbert House along with nominated students from each tutor group in Years 7-10. Students enjoyed some Domino's pizza and pop during Period 5 as a reward for being the winning house and the top achieving students in the year groups last term.

COMING UP THIS WEEK

Monday 19- We look forward to welcoming all students back to school after an enjoyable half term break. Wednesday 21- Les Miserables rehearsal is for all cast members until 4.30pm

Thursday 22- Sixth Form Progress Evening. We look forward to meeting our Year 12 and 13 parents and carers to discuss progress and achievement of our Sixth Form students. Appointments are still available via SchoolCloud.

₽ REMINDERS

Please be extra vigilant and careful when dropping off or collecting students from school. The road is extremely busy and there have been some incidents recently which could have been avoided with more considerate driving and parking. Please be particularly mindful of yellow lines, resident driveways and the school entrances.

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Year 7 Top **Achievers**

Lexi K 7M Harriet D 7M Pippa H 7R Holly R 7Y Julia B 7R

Year 8 Top **Achievers**

Dylis B-T 8Y Finbar H 8R Hollie D 8A Chloe W 8H Maddison N 8M

Year 9 Top **Achievers**

Jack R 90 Hassan S 9J Molly M 90 Annice C 9H Olivia W 9N

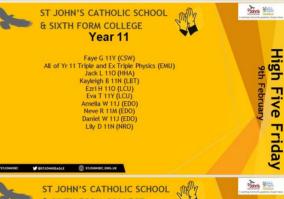
Year 10 Top **Achievers**

Aalivah Louise R 100 Eason Z 10H Sam E 10A Durga S M 10J Molly W 10S

Year 11 Top **Achievers**

Daniel W 11J Daniel D 11R Eva T 11Y







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Neve R 11M

Joshua E-H 11Y

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



☐ Wednesday 28 February- Auditions for the Jaquie Holloway Performing Arts Prize

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Callum B 10A (JKE)
Archie B 10Y (JKE)
Chrimi M 10A (JKE B NRO)
Zak S 10M (JKE)
Anna T10A (JKE B RCA)
Grace W 10A (JKE)
Kayleigh L 10 (LQU)
Jenny S 10Y (LQU)
Alkicia M 10S (LQU)
Moliy M 10S (LQU)
Hollie H 10M (LQU B HHA)
Josh C 10M (HHA)

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Alyssa C 12C (LQU) Ben A 12C (LQU & LBT & RCA) Francesca B 12E (LQU & LBT & RCA) Lucy W 12C (LQU & RCA) Amelie T 12C (LQU & LBT & RCA)

Sofiia D 12E (HHA) Lucy S 12R (EST & LBT & ESM & JVI)

Elsa J 12C (HHA) Molly A 12C (HHA & LBT)

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Year 12

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- ☐ Thursday 29 February- Year 11 Progress Evening 2. Details to follow this week.
- Tuesday 5 March- Chateau Beaumont Trip Parent Information Evening, 5pm
- Friday 8 March- Charity Fashion Show (Tickets on sale now from Main Reception)
- Thursday 21 March- Year 8 Progress Evening
- Wednesday 27 March- Jaquie Holloway Performing Arts Prize Concert
- Thursday 28 March- Last day before Easter
- Monday 15 April- School reopens after Easter
- Thursday 2 May- Year 7 Progress Evening Monday 20 May- Year 10 Work Experience
- Monday 8 July- Year 12 Work Experience

I Heard a Whisper...

Some more wonderful emails have landed in our inbox recently, thanking some of our wonderful staff for their hard work and dedication. Well done to Mrs Widdowson (PE), Mrs Wright (Science), Danielle Dowson (Admin) Allan Barker (Minibus Driver) and Gary Tonge (Caretaker) who were our recent recipients of a sweet treat

It takes just a couple of minutes to drop us an email but it can make someone's day!

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Evangeline Elliott, 8E





