ST JOHN'S WEEKLY NEWS

A Learning Community guided by Gospel Values

22 APRIL 2024 WEEK B



At the end of the Easter holidays, a group of Year 10 students headed to Chateau Beaumont in France for a History and MFL trip which saw them visit the Normandy D Day landing beaches, the Bayeux Tapestry and a traditional French market to



practise their speaking skills. Students enjoyed sampling the French cuisine, including l'escargots, and rounded off their fantastic trip with a visit to Disneyland!

The Future Business Magnates took part in another session at Durham County Cricket Club on Friday. The focus was looking at cash flow and its importance in making a business successful. They then spent the afternoon building prototypes. All students won a Love2Shop voucher for their hard work and are very grateful to the FBM team.



every interest, hobby and talent.

Students who recently returned from their Canada trip enjoyed a well deserved Cake Break with Miss Byron, Miss Heads and Mr Smith last week. They gave Miss Byron a special gift of maple leaf cookies, showed off their scrapbooks and shared their experiences of the trip. During second break, 22 Year 7 students were invited for a Cake Break also, along with

Miss Heads, Miss Gough, and Mr Walker, to celebrate the great progress they have made on their Fresh Start Phonics journey.

Our Summer Enrichment Programme started last week, featuring some brand new clubs including Just Dance, Table Tennis and FIFA Club. All clubs proved to be very popular, and students also enjoyed making use of our new Quad and its outdoor seating to soak up some sunshine. There is a wide range of clubs on offer every day for students to enjoy during lunchtime, suitable for

We are delighted to welcome Mrs Noon, our new SENDCo, to our school community. We wanted to officially introduce her to our parents, carers and students and tell you a

bit about her: -Mrs Noon has been teaching for 23 years, most of which was spent teaching English before she chose to move into the wonderful world of SEND. She specialises in Social,

Emotional and Mental Health needs and supporting young people with their barriers to learning.

- -The favourite part of her job is getting to know the students, something she has been busy doing in her first week with us.
- -Mrs Noon is a bit of a Swiftie! She's even got tickets to see her in Wembley in the Summer with her daughter. After a week of settling in and finding her feet, Mrs Noon is now looking forward to getting to know our students a little more and chatting to our parents and carers over the coming months. We're sure you'll join us in welcoming her to St John's.



A WORD FROM LISA BYRON. HEADTEACHER

The Summer term has got off to a great start, with so many fantastic events and opportunities to share already! It's wonderful to see so many students embracing the wide range of clubs on offer to them this term, and i would like to take this opportunity to thank our wonderful staff for giving up their time during lunch or after school to give our students such fantastic opportunities. activities and safe spaces.

Attendance and punctuality is a continued priority for us this term; it's so important our students are in school as much as possible to be given the best chance to succeed. The attendance figures for last week were:

Year 7-94.2%

Year 8-90.7%

Year 9- 92.6%

Year 10-89.1%

Year 11-94.6%

We appreciate your continued support in ensuring your child is in school on time each day with the correct uniform and equipment.









S COMING UP THIS WEEK

Monday 22- Good luck to our Year 10 and 11 students completing their Silver Duke of Edinburgh Practice Expedition Sunday to Tuesday. We wish them an enjoyable time and pray the weather holds out!

Monday 22- Good luck to our GCSE Drama students who are completing their practical exam where they have to perform for a visiting examiner for 20% of their final grade. We know their hard work will pay off.

Wednesday 24- Les Miserables rehearsals this week are for Javert, Jean Valjean, Fantine, Bishop, Lovely Ladies/ Girls 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5, and any students in the Lead Ensemble.

Friday 26- Good luck to our GCSE PE students taking part in their external practical moderation.

Friday 26- Our next 'Tunes and Chat Community Cafe' is taking place from 1.30-2.30pm.

LAST WEEK'S ACHIEVEMENTS

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ClassCharts

Year 7 Top **Achievers** Neve R 7H Grace N 7N Julia B 7R Melissa B 7Y

Year 8 Top **Achievers**

Antony H 7H

Zea L 8Y Yu Xuan L 9M Amelia C 8Y Jake O 8Y Joel H 8J

Year 9 Top **Achievers**

Ellie B 9R Olivia W 9N Jorgia P 9Y Nicole S 90 Darci W 90

Year 10 Top **Achievers**

Rosie C 10H Aaron M 10M Evie W 10Y Isla D 10A George B 10Y

Year 11 Top **Achievers**

Owen M 11J Jamie B 11R Annabelle M 11N Lily D 11N Marco H 11J

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



- Thursday 2 May- Year 7 Progress Evening (appointments still available via SchoolCloud)
- Monday 6 May- Bank Holiday
- Thursday 9 May- A Level/ GCSE Exams begin
- Monday 20 May- Year 10 Work Experience
- Friday 24 May- Last day before Half Term
- Friday 24 May- Sixth Form Leavers' BBQ
- Monday 3 June- School reopens
- Thursday 20 June- Year 11 Leavers' Celebration
- Monday 8 July- Year 12 Work Experience
- Wednesday 10 and Thursday 11 July-Les Miserables (tickets available soon)
- ☐ Friday 19 July- School's out for Summer!

I Heard a Whisper...

'Thank you' are just two little words, but they can make such a difference. We are delighted to share more wonderful nominations for our staff from our parents, students and staff as their way of saying 'thank you.'

Well done this week to Mrs Rose (Assistant Headteacher), Miss McAdam (English), Mrs Sturdy (RE), Miss Robinson (Head of Year 8), Mr Reeve (Business) and Miss Springhall (Maths) who all received a sweet treat.

If you would like to take the time to say 'thank you' to a member of staff, drop us an email at

iheardawhisper@stjohns.bhcet.org.uk



Artist of the Week



Ella Carey, 10H







