



A WORD FROM LISA BYRON, HEADTEACHER

Last week was an incredibly busy and significant week for our Learning Community. But in true St John's style, each and every person came together to showcase what it means to be a Learning Community Guided by Gospel Values.

A huge thank you to our parents and carers who took the time to complete our parent survey and offer messages of encouragement. Our partnership between home and school is so important to us, and we are continually grateful for your support.

Thank you to our students who continue to be our best ambassadors and who wear their eagles with such pride.

Thank you to all members of our wider community for their encouragement and messages of support.

And finally, thank you to our amazing staff for the incredible dedication, tenacity, care and teamwork they show in guiding and nurturing our students. We will share feedback from the inspection with our parents and carers in due course.

Last week's attendance figures were:

Year 7- 92.8%

Year 8- 93.5%

Year 9- 91.2%

Year 10- 88.2%

Year 11- 94.2%

Most improved tutor group: 7J - 8%

A huge congratulations to our Year 11 boys' football team who, in the midst of their GCSEs, were triumphant in the League Cup. It was a close call against Durham Johnston after a 2-2 draw, but the team persevered and showed great teamwork, finishing with a 4-3 win on penalties. This was the boys' final match as a team for St John's, and we are so proud of them!



On Friday we celebrated our wonderful Year 13s, our Class of 2024! We were joined by parents and carers at St Mary's Church for a wonderful celebration liturgy with poignant speeches and readings and beautiful musical performances from some of our incredibly talented students. Year 13 students and tutors then headed back to school for a special lunch, alternative awards and a trip down memory lane of their time in Sixth Form. Although we will still see our students for revision lessons and exam boosters in the coming weeks, today was our chance to celebrate their achievements, talents and the amazing mark they have left on our Learning Community. Year 13, you will always be part of St John's and we look forward to seeing you spread your wings and soar.



Our Year 11 students have had a fantastic start to their written exams, demonstrating incredible resilience, self-belief and dedication. Students have shown real commitment to their revision, with fantastic engagement in pre-exam revision and boosters. An impressive 178 students turned up on Sunday morning for English Literature revision, prioritising their studies over fun in the sun. We are so proud of you all- keep it up!



Well done to the following students who have received praise from the MFL Department for receiving the most ClassCharts points in their MFL lessons last week: Maisy Newby-Higginbottom (7N), Tyler Waterworth (7N), Sophie Beal (8A), James Dailey (8M), Vanessa Nowacka (9O), Chloe Whitaker (8H), Oliver Barker (9J)



COMING UP THIS WEEK

Monday 13- This week is Mental Health Awareness Week. We have lots going on within school and on our social media platforms to raise awareness of this, including promoting how being active can help improve our wellbeing. We are encouraging students to try and do as many steps as they can this week, and would love for them to send us photos of themselves being active to improve their wellbeing. Photos can be emailed to Mrs Rose at nrose@stjohns.bhcet.org.uk and we will share a selection on our social media pages during the week.

Wednesday 15- Year 7 Retreat. Students will be leaving school at the end of the day to head to the Emmaus Youth Village for two days of activities and reflection. They will return in time for the end of the day on Friday.

Thursday 16- Good luck to our students in Years 8, 9 and 10 competing at the District Athletics Competition.

Sunday 19- GCSE English Literature Booster 2. All Year 11 students are invited into school from 10am-12pm for a Pre-Exam Booster Session on English Literature Paper 2. The session will begin promptly at 10am and students should enter school via the Link. This is in preparation for their An Inspector Calls/Poetry paper on Monday 20.

LAST WEEK'S ACHIEVEMENTS



ClassCharts

Year 7 Top Achievers

Jessica C 7R
Charlie M-T 7N
Grace R 7R
Harriet S 7R
Zak H 7O

Year 8 Top Achievers

Madhav S-M 8A
Chloe W 8H
Ryan D 8A
James D 8M
Halle M 8Y

Year 9 Top Achievers

Hassan S 9J
Isaac C 9O
Jack R 9O
Finlay C 9N
Ewan H 9O

Year 10 Top Achievers

Mia H 10J
Lucas S 10H
Grace W 10A
Lucas E 10N
Daniel D 10S

Year 11 Top Achievers

Mia G 11H
Dominic M 11O
Katelyn W 11M
Mya D 11R
Abigail H 11H

ST JOHN'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL & SIXTH FORM COLLEGE
Virtues
(Respect, Responsibility, Honesty, Self-Belief, Confidence, Resilience, Justice, Compassion)
Year 11 in the RE Booster Session- Respect, Responsibility and Resilience (RE Department)
Year 11 Drama- Confidence and Self-Belief

High Five Friday
10th May

Avo A 11Y - Compassion (EST)
Eleanor T 13E - Responsibility (NRO)
Mia R 13E - Responsibility (NRO)
Han F-S 13E - Responsibility (NRO)
Thomas S 12C - Responsibility (NRO)
Katie B-S 12E - Responsibility (NRO)
Daniel O 12A - Responsibility (NRO)
Lia F 12C - Responsibility (NRO)
Jack B 9N - Confidence (HBA)
Nadia 19M - Resilience (HBA)
Laycie W 9N - Compassion (HBA)
Hannah M 11R - Responsibility (VNI)
Beatrice M 11R - Responsibility (VNI)

All of our students who were spoken to during the Inspection- Responsibility and Confidence

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Year 7

High Five Friday
10th May

Grace R 7R (EEL)
Caleb H 7R (EEL)
Jessica C 7R (EEL)
Indiana W 7N (KJO)
Lola M 7N (KJO)
Tom A 7Y (KJO)
Alfie D 7Y (KJO)
Brooklyn H 7A (KJO)
Tom C 7A (KJO)
Grace R 7R (KJO)
Leo B 7R (KJO)

Oli K 7O (NHI)
Sam E 7O (NHI)
Stenna J 7H (NHI)
Kensie-Jade J 7H (NHI)
Jordan N 7N (NHI)
Grace N 7N (NHI)
Leo W 7H (NHI)
Abigail H 7R (ASP)
Frankie B 7J (AWR)

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Year 8

High Five Friday
10th May

Jessica B 8A (KJO)
Amber W 8R (KJO)
Taylor-Mae F 8J (EST)
Macey A 8J (EST)
James S 8J 8H (EST)
Sam N 8H (EST)
Harry M 8M (EST)
Poppy G 8N (EST)
Anna R 8N (EST)
Holly D 8A (EST)
Maddie S 8N (EST)
Milly H 8N (EST)

Thomas T (CDA)
Jake O 8Y (AWR)
Yu Tao Z 8Y (AWR)
Mylee A 8Y (AWR)
Thomas K 8R (CSW)
Ella G 8R (RBE)
Ava W 8M (RBE)
Esther L 8J (EEL)
Grace I 8N (EEL)
Madhav 5M 8A (EEL)

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Year 9

High Five Friday
10th May

Katie W 9O (EEL)
Chloe D 9H (EEL & ASP)
Lily J 9H (EEL)
Lewis A 9N (KJO)
Teddy M 9H (KJO)
Jack B 9N (HBA)
Maïya J 9J (HBA)
Joshua S 9J (HBA)
Aidan D 9J (HBA)
Oscar B 9J (HBA)
Darci W 9O (CSW)

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Year 10

High Five Friday
10th May

Joseph M 10N (KJO)
Yasmin W 10A (KJO)
Isobel W 10A (KJO)
Lucas S 10H (CHA)
Daniel D 10S (CHA)
Alicia M 10S (ASP)
Ben F 10O (ASP)
Olivia P 10J (LDV)
Mia H 10J (LDV)
Summer S 10N (LDV)
Alfie D 10N (LDV)
Isabelle P 10S (HBA)
Donald B 10H (HBA)
Alfie D 10N (HBA)

Polly C 10S (NHI)
Zak S 10M (NHI)
Kayleigh L 10J (NHI)
Eva W 10Y (NHI)
Dylan B 10M (NHI)
Kimberley G 10H (NHI)
Jasmine H 10J (NHI)
April G 10A (NRO)
Isla D 10A (NRO)
Maisun R 10N (NRO)
Aaron M 10M (NRO)
Chirimi M 10A (NRO)
Lexi W 10J (AWR)
Health and Social Care (VNI)

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Year 11

High Five Friday
10th May

All 11a2 Science (HBA)
All 1112 Biology (HBA)
All 11aNH Maths (NHI)
Health and Social Care Classes (VNI)

All 11x/En3 (NRO)
Mya D 11R (CSW)
Tom B 11H (CSW)
Ryan D 11J (CSW)
Faye G 11Y (CSW)
Aimee C 11M (CHA)
Jack R 11H (NRO)
Lily H 11O (NRO)
Annabelle M 11N (NRO)
Ava P 11N (NRO)
Eva R 11H (NRO)
Abbi H 11H (NRO)
Katryn W 11M (NRO)

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Year 12

High Five Friday
10th May

Eskiah L 12C (EST)
Bodie D 12R (EST)
Lucy S 12R (EST)
Eleanor P 12E (NRO)
All of Year 12 Maths (NHI)

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Year 13

High Five Friday
10th May

Amelia K 13P (DDE)
Neve W 13E (DDE)
Anna M 13H (DDE)
Sophie R 13E (DDE)
Mia R 13E (EST & NRO)
Eleanor T 13E (NRO)
Charlotte H 13P (NRO)
Evie C 13E (EST)
James W 13O (EST)
All Year 13 A Level Biology (HBA)
All of Year 13 Maths (NHI)

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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, Assistant Headteacher, at nrose@stjohns.bhcet.org.uk.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- ☐ **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
- ☐ **Tuesday 2 July-** Virtues Awards Evening (*more information to follow*)
- ☐ **Monday 8 July-** Year 12 Work Experience
- ☐ **Tuesday 9 July-** Year 6 Induction Evening
- ☐ **Wednesday 10 and Thursday 11 July-** Les Miserables (*tickets available soon*)
- ☐ **Thursday 11/ Friday 12 July-** Year 6 Induction Days
- ☐ **Friday 19 July-** School's out for Summer!



I Heard a Whisper...

Last week just so happened to be Teacher Appreciation Week, and our staff certainly deserved appreciation in bucketloads last week! A huge thank you to our incredible staff whose determination, resilience and teamwork shone through last week as they continue to go above and beyond for our students.

But a special mention also goes to last week's I Heard a Whisper nominees: Mrs Swinbank (Geography), Mrs Lawson (RE/Law), Miss Giblin (LSA), Mrs Maddison (Head of Technology), Mrs Sturdy (RE), Mrs Noon (SENDCO) and Sharon Foster (Catering).

If you would like to take the opportunity to show your appreciation to a member of our staff, drop us an email at heardawhisper@stjohns.bhcet.org.uk

"Each day, teachers come to school ready to tackle a job that is critically important, extraordinarily complex, often joyful, and, at times, heartbreaking. In essence, teachers help others to become their best selves and I can think of no more important work."

Arne Duncan



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