ST JOHN'S WEEKLY NEWS

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A WORD FROM LISA BYRON, HEADTEACHER

Following what I hope was a restful and enjoyable break for you all, we now head into our final half term of this academic year. The month of June symbolises a time of light, growth and joy and we hope to share this within our Learning Community through the many fantastic events, trips and celebrations we have coming up. We look forward to meeting our new Year 7 students for September as they join us on their Transition Days next month, as well as welcoming our Year 5 students from our local and feeder primaries in a few weeks for a taste of life at St John's. We have our brand new Virtues Awards Ceremony at the beginning of July to recognise those students who have consistently shown our core virtues this year, as well as our Year 11 Celebration Day and Leavers' Party in the coming weeks where we get to celebrate our fantastic Year 11 students. With all this, as well as lots of trips and our summer production of Les Misérables, I'm sure you'll agree that this final half term is set to be another fantastic one. and we look forward to sharing it all with you!

The school athletics season started last month and a group of our students attended the Track and Field Cup at Jarrow followed by the district finals in Shildon. Over 50 students were involved and

displayed amazing team spirit alongside excellent individual

school meals and a packed lunch will be provided for them.

performances. We look forward to even more athletics coming up this week and next.



We ended last half term perfectly with our Ice Cream Rewards for the students in Bede House who were our winning House for the Spring Term. Students enjoyed their ice creams and Iollies, and we invited all of Year 11 to also enjoy the reward to congratulate them on their incredible hard work in their exams so far. The Year 10 students in Bede who missed out on this reward due









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It was wonderful to get such fantastic feedback from our Year 10 Work Experience and hear what superb ambassadors for St

John's our students had been. Year 10 threw themselves into the experience, whether it be landscape gardening, fitting GPS technology, working in primary schools or volunteering in the local community. We can't wait to hear more stories from our students and encourage them and parents to email any photos to Mrs Rose.

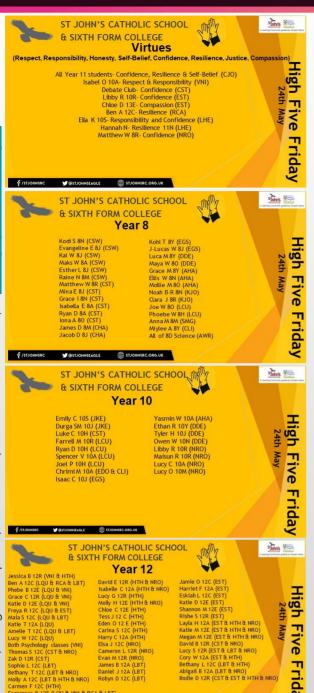
TOMING UP THIS WEEK

Monday 3- We welcome all of our students and staff back to school and launch straight back into exams for our Year 11 and 13 students, beginning with GCSE Maths for which students are reminded to bring a calculator. Wednesday 5- This week's Les Misérables rehearsal is for all cast. As we move closer to the show, it is important that all cast members attend. There will also be additional rehearsals for lead cast members on Monday, Thursday and Friday this week and those students should consult the rehearsal schedule which has been emailed to them to check when they are needed. All cast members will receive a rehearsal schedule this week. Thursday 6 and Friday 7- Some of our Year 10 Geography students will be visiting Seaham as part of their Geography GCSE fieldwork. We wish them an enjoyable trip and hope the sun shines for them! Friday 7- Tickets go on sale for this year's school production, Les Misérables. This promises to be a fantastic show featuring over 50 students from all year groups, and is bound to be another sell-out. Tickets will be available via TicketSource from 9am (watch out this week for the poster) and are priced at £7.50 for adults and £5.50 for concessions. The performances will be held on Wednesday 10th and Thursday 11th July. It's not to be missed! Friday 7- Year 10 Macbeth Theatre Trip. Over 30 Year 10 students will be heading to Sunderland Empire to watch a live performance of Macbeth followed by a Q&A session. The students have been chosen for the trip by their English teachers for their excellent effort and outstanding work in their English lessons this year. Students will attend school as normal in full uniform and will need to bring a packed lunch to eat on the journey to the theatre as they will be leaving school before lunchtime. Please contact school if your child is entitled to free

LAST WEEK'S ACHIEVEMENTS









Well done to the MFL Stars of the Week from before Half Term:

Neave W 7Y Nicholas RO 8Y Ella G 8R Ewan H90 Rachael M 9Y

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



- ☐ Wednesday 12 June- Year 11 Celebration Day, 11.45am, St Mary's Church. (Please see the parent letter for more details)
- Friday 14 June- Final day in school for Year 11 (there are still some exams beyond this date)
- Thursday 20 June- Year 11 Leavers' Party (coaches depart school at 6.30pm)
- 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 on sale this week) Thursday 11/ Friday 12 July- Year 6 Induction
- Friday 19 July- School's out for Summer!

I Heard a Whisper...

'Thank you' may just be two simple words, but saying them to someone can mean so much more.

Well done to our staff members who received special 'thank you' nominations in the last week of term: Miss Wilkinson (Assistant Headteacher), Miss Devlin (Head of Maths), Mrs Pryer (PE/ Assistant Head of Year 7), David Cassidy (Network Manager), Miss Robinson (Head of Year 8/ English) and Miss Hayes (Head of English/Assistant Headteacher).

If you would like to give a 'thank you' to a member of staff, drop us an email.

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