

# ST JOHN'S WEEKLY NEWS

A Learning Community guided by Gospel Values

24 MARCH 2025

WEEK B



On Friday, students from our Trust secondary schools all gathered at St John's and enjoyed a morning of Spanish and French interactive activities, exploring new language skills and developing new friendships in aid of Francophone Day and the El Camino project. It was a wonderful day of culture, collaboration and creativity and our students were incredibly welcoming to the other students.



Last week our boys' football teams played against Durham Johnston in some incredibly well played matches. Year 7 and Year 8 showed great commitment and sportsmanship but unfortunately lost out on the win. Year 10, however, came away victorious with an impressive 9-0 victory! The team now have a real chance of winning the school league with just three games left to play. Good luck boys, and well done to all our players!



On Thursday our Year 8 boys competed in the Cleveland Schools Rugby Sevens competition. The team played four games altogether, winning two, drawing one and losing to the eventual winners by only two points. The boys game fourth overall and were amazing in their effort, skill and sportsmanship.

A group of students from Years 7-9 have worked tirelessly recently on two impactful projects, made possible through funding from The Key UK. They've created bags for Angel Trust's Night Hub initiative, providing essential support to local homeless individuals. Additionally, the students have crafted thoughtful movie night boxes for the children at a nearby care home. Through these projects, the students have truly embodied our core virtues, demonstrating compassion, respect, and a commitment to making a difference in the community.



## COMING UP THIS WEEK

**Tuesday 25-** Our CAFOD Soup Lunch continues at lunchtime in the Lecture Theatre and is available to all students for just £1. Please note that this is cash only and all proceeds are donated to CAFOD.

**Wednesday 26-** Jaquie Holloway Prize for Performing Arts, 6pm. Tickets are still available for what promises to be a wonderful evening of talent and entertainment featuring our incredible students and ensembles.

[www.ticketsource.co.uk/st-johns-catholic-school](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/st-johns-catholic-school)

The Friends of St John's

**200 CLUB**

**HOW DOES IT WORK?**

- Purchase a number for £10 via the MCAS app
- Be in with a chance to win three prizes of £100 in the summer term

friends@stjohns.bhceat.org.uk

Our Friends of St John's 200 Club is open for numbers once again. For a chance to win £100, purchase a number via the MCAS app or online at <https://www.trybooking.com/uk/EOAZ>

Appointments are now available for our Year 10 Progress Evening on Thursday 3 April. Appointments can be made via SchoolCloud.



## A WORD FROM LISA BYRON, HEADTEACHER

Last Friday was International Day of Happiness. Whether we're celebrating success, enjoying enrichment or working hard in lessons, we want our Learning Community to be a place where our students and staff feel happy and proud to be here. In fact, our Ofsted parent surveys show that 91% of parents say their child is happy at St John's, placing us in the top four happiest schools in County Durham! Now that's something to smile about!



All words taken from recent parent feedback

### Attendance Matters

Last week's attendance figures were:

Year 7: 93.6%, Year 8: 91.5%

Year 9: 91%, Year 10: 88.4%

Year 11: 90.5%

## The Jaquie Holloway Prize for Performing Arts 2025

Wednesday 26th March, 6pm

St. John's invites you to attend our annual competition for soloists, celebrating excellence in the Performing Arts. Also featuring performances from our fantastic ensembles.



Admission: £3 adults £2 concessions  
[ticketsource.co.uk/st-johns-catholic-school](http://ticketsource.co.uk/st-johns-catholic-school)

All proceeds fund Performing Arts opportunities & equipment for students.





# LAST WEEK'S ACHIEVEMENTS



## High Five FRIDAY

21 March 2025

### Virtues

All the students who attended Flame - Respect (ERA)

Andre E 12 - Confidence (KXB)  
Ryan W 12 - Confidence (KXB)  
Harriet D 10A - Confidence (HBA)  
Mazie H 10M - Responsibility (HBA)  
Ava A 10Y - Confidence (HBA)  
Zak H 8O - Respect (NGO)  
Jake O 9Y - Honesty (ASP)  
Farrell M 11R - Resilience (EST)  
Molly N 9O - Self-Belief (SRO)  
Faye M 9R - Self-Belief (SRO)  
Iris C 9J - Self-Belief (SRO)  
Lexi W - Self-Belief (SRO)

Lily H 12C - Confidence (ERA)  
Leo B 12R - Confidence (ERA)  
Jonny L 12C - Confidence (ERA)  
George B 12C - Confidence (ERA)  
Max N 12R - Confidence (ERA)  
Laksh S 12C - Confidence (ERA)  
Ezri H 12R - Confidence and Justice (ERA)  
Sofia M 12R - Justice (ERA)  
Isabelle M 12R - Justice (ERA)  
Jack B 10N - Responsibility (CJO)  
7J - Responsibility

Respect, Responsibility, Honesty, Self-Belief, Confidence, Resilience, Justice, Compassion

## High Five FRIDAY

21 March 2025

### Year 7

Verity D 7M (MMG)  
Maurisia B 7M (MMG)  
Noah R 7J (NPA)  
Artem K 7J (IAI)  
Jess R 7N (LWR)  
Molly J 7N (LWR)  
Tommy S 7N (LWR)  
Isabella G 7N (LWR)  
Ella S 7N (LWR)  
All of 7J (NHA)  
Adam S 7J (HHA)  
Harry F 7M (HHA)  
Emily S 7A (AWR)

Darcy S 7A (DHA)  
Madysin D 7M (MMG & AWR)  
Yana H 7R (SEB & NHI)  
Nathan P 7J (NPA & EMO)  
Tobias S 7Y (EST)  
Tamarah M 7R (HHA & NHI)  
Nathan M 7M (HHA & NHI)

Carollena A 7O (EBA)  
Harry D 7R (SEB)  
Evie Mae B 7Y (EST)  
Tobias S 7Y (EST)  
Aili R 7Y (EST)  
Emilia K 7Y (EST)

Hannah L 7Y (AWR)  
Noah D 7Y (HHA)  
Salem C 7Y (ATU)  
Jonnie T 7Y (ATU)  
Evan G 7Y (ATU)  
Michael I 7R (ATU)  
Jaxon C 7Y (ATU)  
Matthew B 7Y (ATU)  
Jayden C 7Y (ATU)  
Dakota C 7J (EMO)  
Luke D 7Y (CLJ)  
Patrick S 7Y (CLJ)  
Frankie M 7R (NHI)  
Heidi H 7N (CDA)

## High Five FRIDAY

21 March 2025

### Year 8

Isabel H 8J (NRO)  
Lucy Corn. 8J (NRO)  
Lucy Con. 8J (NRO)  
Alistair M 8J (NRO)  
Frankie B 8J (NRO)  
Grace R 8R (HRO)  
Eva M 8R (HRO)  
Dylan S 8R (HRO)  
Katie W 8A (IAI)  
Kehlan S 8R (IAI)  
Brooklyn H 8A (SRO)  
Brooke W 8A (SRO)  
Tyler T 8A (SRO)  
Rowan M 8A (SRO)  
Jack S 8A (SRO)  
Leon W 8A (SRO)  
Emily E 8A (SRO)

Abigail H 8R (SMG & MMG)  
Nicholas S 8J (KIB & NRO)  
Emily E 8A (ESM & DMI)  
Lydia S 8A (ESM & DMI)  
Isa C 8A (ESM & DMI & SRO & KIB)  
Lorna B 8R (MMG)  
Molly S 8R (MMG)  
Neave W 8Y (MMG)  
Christie B 8Y (MMG)  
Sienna J 9H (MMG)  
Maisy N 8M (MMG & S)  
Tyler T 8A (SRO)  
Sienna N 8A (ESM)  
Evie P 8A (ESM)  
Tom S 8A (ESM)  
Ivy R 8A (ESM)  
Noah H 8A (ESM)

Isla S 8M (KIB & MMG)  
Ellie-Rose F 8J (NRO)  
Ruby K 8O (KIB)  
Alicia H 8M (KIB)  
Rowan N 8R (IAI)  
Ryan B 8M (IAI)  
Pippa H 8R (IAI)  
Michalina G 8R (IAI)  
Isla H 8R (IAI)  
Sophia A 8Y (IAI)  
Sophia R 8H (EBA)  
Belle L 8M (SEB)  
Sienna B 8M (SEB)  
Thomas H 8R (IAI)  
Neve O 8J (NRO)

Eadie T 8N (RMO)  
Ajay H-N 8Y (SLO)  
Olivia B 8Y (SLO)  
Rhyus L 8Y (SLO)  
Thomas H 8A (DSM)  
Isaac B 8M (DSM)  
Finley G 8A (DSM)  
Joe McG 8H (DSM)  
Oliver B 8M (DSM)  
Riley H 8M (DSM)  
Jack S 8R (DSM)  
Jacob R 8Y (DSM)  
Maks F 8J (DSM & NRO)  
Michelle E 8R (RMO)  
Dawid P 8J (NRO)  
Tommy-Steven K 8J (NRO)  
Constance C 8N (AWR)

## High Five FRIDAY

21 March 2025

### Year 9

Nicholas R-O 9Y (ASP)  
Grace M 9J (ASP)  
Joe W 9O (IAI)  
Millie W 9O (ASP)  
Harry D 9N (HBA)  
Mia L 9R (HBA)  
Alex M 9A (HHA & CJO)  
Miyalee A 9Y (HHA & JKE)  
Thalia A 9M (HHA & JKE)  
Jessica B 9K (JHL)  
James D 9M (LJU)  
Sam R 9H (LJU)  
Joel H 9J (DHA)

Brooke W 9M (JKE)  
Macey B 9Y (JKE)  
Jake O 9Y (JKE)  
Hollie D 9A (JKE)  
Thomas T 9A (JKE)  
Harvey M 9R (CJO)  
Maddison S 9A (JKE)  
Yu Tao Z 9Y (JKE)

Sophie R 9M (EMO)  
Filip Z 9R (EMO)  
Aiden G 9H (CJO)  
Sophie H 9O (CJO)  
Eve B 9R (CJO)  
Sophia C 9R (CJO)  
Kyrah N 9N (CJO)

Tia-Rose S 9Y (DHA)  
Harrison M 9O (ASP)  
Robyn S 9N (SRO)  
Grace I 9N (SRO)  
Evangelina E 9J (SRO)  
Lexi W 9N (SRO)  
Lee S 9H (SRO)  
Alfie W 9O (SRO)  
Charlie B 9H (DAT)  
Chloe W 9H (DAT)  
Mia L 9R (DAT)  
Lexi W 9N (SEB)  
Thomas T 9A (SEB)  
Karol O 9N (SMG)

## High Five FRIDAY

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### Year 10

Joshua W 10M (SEB & NHI)  
Hannah V 10A (SMG & NHI)  
Maiya J 10J (SMG & NHI)  
Molly B 10H (SEB)  
Grace B 10O (CJO)  
Willow H 10J (CJO)  
Maizie H 10M (NPA)  
Anna B 10R (NPA)  
Chloe C 10M (NPA)  
Simone B 10R (ASP)  
Millie D 10M (ASP)  
Ava A 10Y (CDA)  
Aidan D 10N (NHI)  
Nadia I 10M (NHI)  
Grace I 10H (NHI)

Kaela H 10R (LDV)  
Neve E 10O (LDV)  
Evie C 10N (LDV)  
Katie W 10R (LDV)  
Henry S 10O (EMO)  
Zuzanna P 10J (EMO)  
Jensson R 10J (SLO)  
Robert B 10R (SLO)  
Safwan R 10J (SLO & DMI)  
Tomasz C 10O (TJO)  
Maiya J 10J (TJO)  
Chloe D 10H (NRO)

Daniel B 10R (LWR & ATU)  
Molly D 10A (DHA)  
Lewis W 10A (LWR)  
Oliver B 10J (RMO)  
James K 10H (RMO)  
Thomas B 10M (RMO)  
Jack P 10R (NHI)  
Reuben S 10J (NHI)  
Isaac C 10O (CLI)  
Thomas S 10O (CLI)  
Freddie N 10R (AWR)

Madelyn A 10N (LWR)  
Skye H 10O (LWR)  
Harriet D 10A (LWR)  
Thomas T 10N (HBA)  
Maizie H 10M (HBA)  
Molly D 10Y (HBA)  
Jayden D 10O (HBA)  
Teddy M 10H (HHA)  
Jasmine H 11J (NHI)  
Josh J 11R (NHI)  
Kirstie W 11J (CJO)  
Summer S 11H (CJO)  
Kaden C 11A (CJO)  
Devina A-T 11O (CJO)  
Arron B 11R (CJO)

## High Five FRIDAY

21 March 2025

### Year 11

Yasmin W 11A (NPA)  
George B 11Y (SMG)  
Thea C 11O (SMG)  
Niamh C 11Y (LQU)  
Hollie H 11M (LQU)  
Erinny C 11H (HBA)  
Mia C 11H (HBA)  
Livvy K 11S (HBA)  
Zak S 11M (NHI)  
Jasmine H 11J (NHI)  
Josh J 11R (NHI)  
Kirstie W 11J (CJO)  
Summer S 11H (CJO)  
Kaden C 11A (CJO)  
Devina A-T 11O (CJO)  
Arron B 11R (CJO)

Luca R 10H (LDV & SEB)  
Sophie R 11M (EMO & CJO)  
Dylan B 11M (LQU & NHI & ESM)  
Sophie C 11Y (ESM & SEB)  
Aaron M 11M (ESM & DMI & NRO)  
Elliott R 11O (JHL & EMU)  
Taku M 11O (JHL & SLO)  
Jack S 11A (HBA & ESM)  
Hannah H 11Y (EMO & ESM)  
Samara W 11A (HBA & ESM)  
Alicia M 11S (HBA)  
Emilie P 11S (HBA)  
Isabella E 9A (JKE)  
Lewis LW 11H (HBA)  
Josh J 11R (HHA)  
Rhys W 11A (HHA)  
Taylor SJ 11M (HHA)

Mia H 11J (CLI)  
Lilith U 11R (EMU)  
Lilith U 11R (EMU)  
Hollie R 11M (EMO)  
Abi T 11M (EMO)  
Brooke T 11N (EMO)  
Olivia E 11J (SLO)  
Ethan R 11Y (SLO)  
Vincent T 11A (SLO)  
Neve B 11R (SLO)  
Amy S 11M (ESM)  
Cam C 11R (ESM)  
Daisy J 11A (ESM)  
Halle T 11S (ESM)  
Issac C 11B (DHA)  
Amy W 11S (CJO)

## High Five FRIDAY

21 March 2025

### Year 12 and 13

Olivia P 12E (NPA)  
Anna S 12A (NPA)  
Sarah T 12A (HTH)  
Hannah B 12E (HTH)  
Katie R 12E (LQU)  
Lucie P 12A (LQU)  
George B 12C (HHA)  
Jack R 12C (NRO)  
Ruby W 12A (NRO)  
Lewis A 12R (DMI)  
Harry S 12R (DMI)  
Liam V 12R (DMI)

Tess J 13J (HTH)  
Layla H 13O (HTH)  
Carmen F 13Y (HTH)  
Francesca B 13J (HTH)  
Roman C 13O (CLI)  
Katie L 13O (DHA & SRO)  
Josh S 13O (DMI)  
Gerald B 13O (DMI)  
Cory W 13O (EST)  
Lia F 13Y (LDV)

Lucy S 13Y (NRO)  
Molly A 13Y (NRO)  
Molly H 13J (NRO)  
Megan M 13J (NRO)  
Katie M 13J (NRO)  
Isabelle C 13O (NRO)  
Layla H 13O (NRO)  
Elsa J 13Y (NRO)  
David B 13Y (NRO)  
David E 13Y (NRO)

Sarah T 12A (ESM & EST)  
Milan A 12C (CLI)  
Joshua Y 12E (EST)  
Nicole H 12E (EST)  
Freya F 12E (EST)  
Eve C 12C (EST)  
Sofia M 12E (EST)  
Beth T 12A (EST)  
Milandev A 12C (LDV)  
Lily H 12C (LDV)  
Imogen C 12C (LDV)

## Department Stars of the Week - 21/3

**Philosopher of the Week:** Neve Oxley 8J & Callum Brown 7R

**Reader of the Week:** Nathan Morton 7M

**Mathematician of the Week:** Michelle Elias 8R

**Scientist of the Week:** Harriet Dixon 8M

**Linguist of the Week:** Verity Devlin 7M

**Historian of the Week:** Georgie Jackson 7M

**Geographer of the Week:** Callum Brown 7R

**Sportsperson of the Week:** Riley Harris 8M

**Designer of the Week:** George Lord 9O

**Artist of the Week:** Filip Zawisza 9R

**Musician of the Week:** Thomas Keddlity 9R

**Computer Scientist of the Week:** Daniel Keenlyside 7O

**MFL Stars of the Week: Daniel Wherry 7O, Amber Wearmouth 9R**

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- Thursday 3 April- Year 10 Progress Eve
- Friday 11 April- Last day before Easter
- Monday 28 April- School reopens
- Monday 5 May- Bank Holiday
- Wednesday 7 May- GCSE Exams begin
- Monday 12 May- Year 7 Retreat
- Monday 19 May- Year 10 Work Experience
- Thursday 22 May- Year 7 Progress Eve
- Friday 23 May- Last day before half term
- Monday 2 June- School reopens
- Monday 2 June- Year 12 Work Experience
- Monday 23 June- Year 10 and Year 12 mocks begin
- Monday 7 July/ Tuesday 8 July- St John's presents 'Frozen the Musical'

## I Heard a Whisper...

St John's would simply not function without the wonderful support staff who support, help and assist our students, teachers and community every single day. From our amazing admin team to our terrific team of LSAs, and all of the site, catering, cleaning and IT staff in between, we are incredibly grateful for the commitment and passion they bring to their roles. This week's nominations were all for members of our support staff, and it is wonderful to see their hard work being acknowledged by parents and colleagues. Well done to Bernadette, Danielle and Anna (Admin- Main Reception), Miss Giblin (LSA), Miss Allaway (LSA), David Cassidy (Network Manager) and Mr Walker (LSA).

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## Artist of the Week



**Kea-Shenell Wood, 8H**

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](mailto:nrose@stjohns.bhcet.org.uk).

## ClassCharts

### Year 7 Top Achievers

Claudia M 7J  
Nathan M 7M  
Matilda T 7J  
Saule K 7M  
Aya D 7J

### Year 8 Top Achievers

Brooklyn H 8A  
Neve O 8J  
Jack S 8A  
Lucy C 8J  
Emily E 8A

### Year 9 Top Achievers

Thomas T 9A  
Jake O 9Y  
Sophia C 9R  
Amber W 9R  
Elpida B 9H

### Year 10 Top Achievers

Grace I 10H  
Skye H 10O  
Ali C 10M  
Finley B 10Y  
Madelyn A 10N

### Year 11 Top Achievers

Evie W 11Y  
Parker E-B 11M  
Spencer V 11A  
Sam E 11A  
Ruby H 11H