ST JOHN'S WEEKLY NEWS

A Learning Community guided by Gospel Values

7 JULY 2025 Week B



What a wonderful evening we had on Monday celebrating our Year 11 Class of 2025. Our students were all dressed up to the nines and had an evening filled with celebration, dancing, singing at their tops of their voices, and more dancing! We are so proud of this amazing group of students and the wonderful young men and women they have grown into.



After over a year of planning and fundraising, our Project Peru team have arrived in Iquitos, Peru and have begun their vital work in supporting the communities over there. The group will be helping to build a school and volunteering at the Girls' Centre, whilst also making some incredible memories. We are so proud of these young people who have shown such commitment and dedication in their fundraising and for the resilience and responsibility they will no doubt show over the next two weeks.





Last week. students from Year 9 and 10 joined 14 other secondary schools from across Hexham and Newcastle Diocese to celebrate this year's Summer Festival (AKA God Camp). Students engaged in many activities based around the theme, 'Fear Less, Hope More'. They heard from inspirational speakers and music artists who encouraged them to reflect on how we can often approach life without uncertainty and fear and that, through faith, we can leave behind doubt and fear, and move toward optimism, possibility and hope. The theme reminds us that while fear closes doors, hope opens them.

A WORD FROM LISA BYRON. HEADTEACHER

We are incredibly proud of the opportunities our students are given, from day visits to life-changing trips, and this week's newsletter showcases just a handful of these amazing experiences that have all taken place in the last seven days alone! We cannot wait to see what amazing experiences, trips and opportunities there are in store for the 2025/2026 academic year. And of course a special thank you to our incredible staff who work tirelessly to ensure our students are offered these experiences and are able to make these lifelong memories. A special mention this week also to our Year 11 class of 2025 who all looked magnificent at their prom on Monday evening. We had such a wonderful evening celebrating this incredible bunch of young people, and seeing them all singing and dancing together on the dancefloor cemented the fantastic friendships and memories that have been forged during the past five years at St John's.

Attendance Figures Year 7- 93.2%, Year 8- 90.4%, Year 9- 92.3%, Year 10- 92.6%

Our annual Year 7 Geography field trips to High Force have now been completed, with all of Year 7 exploring and learning all about the waterfall. Well done to Year 7 for their excellent behaviour and engagement on the trips.



COMING UP THIS WEEK

Monday 7 July and Tuesday 8 July- St John's presents Frozen the Musical, 7pm. Our incredibly talented cast are so excited to perform this year's production to our audiences of over 250 people each night. Good luck, all! Wednesday 9 July- Frozen primary matinees. We are looking forward to welcoming over 300 students from our local and Catholic feeder primary schools to two special matinee performances of Frozen the Musical. Thursday 10 July and Friday 11 July- Year 6 Induction Days. Following our successful Induction Evening last week where we welcomed our brand new Year 7 students for September into school along with their parents and carers to meet their tutor groups and find out more about joining our Learning Community, we are looking forward to welcoming the students back into school for their Inductions Days.

LAST WEEK'S ACHIEVEMENTS



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- □ Monday 14 July- End of Term Liturgies
- Tuesday 15 July- Sports Day. Selected students will be representing their tutor groups in the morning events, and all students will be involved in whole-school events on the afternoon. All students should attend school in St John's PE kit
- Thursday 17 July- House Reward Afternoon. More details to follow
- □ Friday 18 July- Last day of the school year. Please note that on this day school will finish for all students at 1.15pm and buses will be arranged for this time too
- Tuesday 2 September- New Academic Year begins

F ST JOHN'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

I Heard a Whisper...

"Appreciation is the highest form of prayer, for it acknowledges the presence of good wherever you shine the light of your thankful Thoughts."

Well done this week to Miss Robinson (Head of Year 9), Mrs Hannant (Assistant Head of Humanities), Miss Gough (LSA) and Michael Stephenson (Learning Mentor) who are this week's chosen Wispa recipients. There's only two Thankful Thursdays remaining for this academic year, so email us with the appreciation you would like to show

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