



## Lent

This week we have moved into the season of Lent and the six-week build up to Easter. On Wednesday morning we had Lenten Liturgies and the distribution of ashes, and on Tuesday week we will have Reconciliation.

As well as prayer and fasting during this period we are encouraged to do good deeds; Cambridge House started ahead of time with their distribution of flowers last month. We hope that everyone will focus on at least one good deed during this period as we await Jesus's coming at Easter.



## Secondary Place Offers

Last Friday was National Offer Day when students across the country heard which secondary school they have been given a place at for September. I have mentioned before that we were oversubscribed again this year so there will be families that applied for a place in Year 7 but have not been given one. If this happens, the most important first step is to accept the place that has been given so that you at least have a place secured. Then parents need to consider if they wish to lodge an appeal, which they have every right to do. The appeal will consider whether or not the admission process had been conducted correctly and consider any case made by parents for their child to attend this school.

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## Anniversary Mass

Parents and students are invited to attend the Mass on **Wednesday 3 April at 7pm**, which will be celebrated by Bishop Alan, as outlined in last week's newsletter. Please email [enquiries@stjohnfisherschool.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@stjohnfisherschool.org.uk) giving your name and the number of seats you would like. If your son or daughter is not already taking part on the Mass and will be coming with you please include them. Similarly, students who are not already involved should also tell Student Services via this email address.

Sean Hayes

## Focus Day

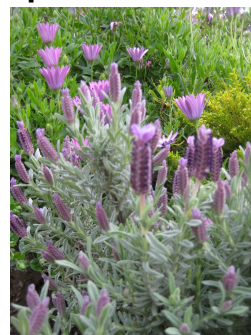
Our next Focus Day is on Friday 15 March and details of activities and points for registration are below:

Year	Activity	Registration area
7	Twycross Zoo Italian Day	Tennis Courts School hall
8	Visit to France Italian Day	Car Park School hall
Year 9	Healthy Lives	Science classrooms
Year 10	Health and Fitness	Sports Hall
Year 11	'Jekyll and Hyde' performance and workshops	English classrooms
Sixth Form	Work Related learning	Atrium

## Brilliant Club

Last Thursday The Year 7 Brilliant Club students enjoyed their initial visit to The University of Cambridge to launch their first project 'All About Me'. Students were introduced to their University mentors at St John's College and took part in several workshops involving interview skills and crafting an auto-biography. The Trip ended with a tour of the Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology which students were interested to see contained many impressive artefacts from all over the world.

## Sponsored Walk



Please keep encouraging your children to get sponsors for the walk which is taking place on Tuesday 2 April. We would like this walk to raise at least £4000 so please support this. Our sensory garden will be an amazing resource for all our students to use once it has been completed.



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## Netball



The results are in for the year 10/11 and Year 9 leagues. The year 10/11 and year 9 girls have had an amazing netball season this year. Both teams continued the hard work and dedication, seen last year, throughout the autumn term which has resulted in an improvement in performance.

This year has seen both teams settle into the season well as the team and players have found their favoured positions and ability to link well with each other.

The year 10/11 team had wins against Jack Hunt, TDA and Stanground. Their only loss of the season was against COPA. However it meant that the team finished joint first on 16 points but finished second overall on goal difference.

The year 9 girls again started the season well with some great team performances seeing them beat Jack Hunt and NPA. The girls were unlucky not to take a win against TDA and finished with a 6-6 draw. COPA and The Peterborough School proved too strong an opposition which saw the girls finish third overall in the league.

Both teams have improved tremendously over this season and their results are evidence of this. The girls should be truly proud of their achievements and we looked forward to next year's season.

## Myriad Project

During lessons this week students in Years 8 & 9 have been thinking about the idea of 'Stepping Back' from their thoughts and understanding that they have the capacity not to get on their 'thought bus'. We have looked at how the brain creates neural pathways and also thought about the concept of metacognition. We have tried out two practices and seen if it is possible to notice our thought traffic and practise staying grounded, rather than getting caught up in our thoughts. Students have home practice linked to this at [www.dotbe.org](http://www.dotbe.org)



Your Year 11  
Study Room  
Period 5

Wednesday and Thursday

Positive  
Preparation  
Production  
Planning  
Progress

ROOM 211



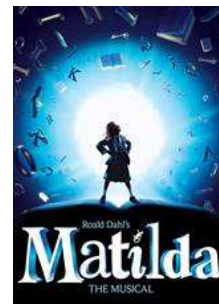
'A year of reading ... a lifetime of memories.'

## School Production

### Matilda The Musical

This year we will be performing Matilda the Musical in the summer term. If you are interested in dancing, acting, singing or even all three; rehearsals will be every Wednesday.

Everybody welcome, just come along to the Drama Studio 3.15 – 4.30



## SJF House Competitions

*"have life and have it abundantly"*

*John 10:10*

### Darts Results

Last week saw our first ever darts competition and the winners were:

1<sup>st</sup> Rochester

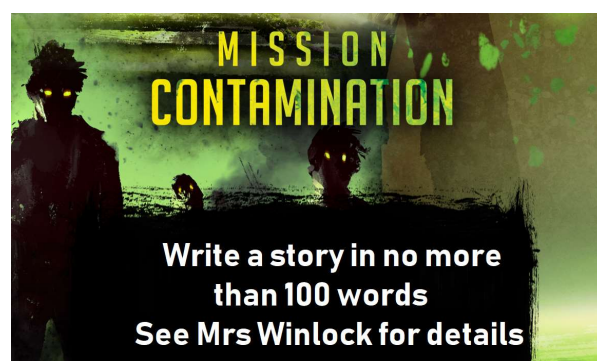
2<sup>nd</sup> Beverley

3<sup>rd</sup> Cambridge

4<sup>th</sup> Westminster

Well done to everybody that entered there was a tremendous turn out, probably the best yet, it was such a close competition, but Rochester couldn't be beaten.

Next week.....Play Your Cards Right  
Coming soon....Pictionary



**Academic Tutoring Years 8:  
11 March – 22 March**