



Reconciliation

Thank you to our deanery priests for coming into school for the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Wednesday and to Mrs Goodfellow our lay chaplain for organising it. Mrs Goodfellow has written more about this below.

Primary Sports Festival

On Wednesday, the PE department led a Primary Sports festival with our Year 10 Sports leaders. It was aimed specifically at girls' football and provided an opportunity for fitness and fun. Twelve local primary schools were involved and had a lovely day. My thanks to the Year 10 Sports leaders and all the staff involved, particularly Mrs Foster.

Parents Evening

On Tuesday, we held parents evening for Years 11 and 13. Thank you to all parents and students who attended. This marks the final countdown to the public exams, which start in May. If you have any questions for your child's teachers please do not hesitate to contact the school. All students in Years 11 and 13 should now be revising and preparing for their final exams.

Year 10


Year 10 will have their Pre public exams after Easter, so it is important they are preparing well for these. The year group had an assembly on Tuesday about the expectations for exams. Please make sure your child has the right equipment for each exam and that they have a clear water bottle.

Article in the Diocesan Newspaper

Mrs Reay has written an article in the Diocesan newspaper about the work of our Sixth formers with Citizens UK. You can read it here:

<https://www.rcdea.org.uk/students-put-catholic-social-teaching-into-practice/>


Kate Pereira



The Chrism Mass will be celebrated in Holy Week by our new Bishop Peter Collins, at the Cathedral of St John the Baptist, Norwich - **Tuesday 4th April 2023 at 11.30am.**

Bishop Peter will consecrate the sacred oils used in the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, Anointing of the Sick, and Holy Orders. Each parish receives its annual supply at the Chrism Mass.

The Chrism Mass is a beautiful celebration of unity and although it will take place during the school Easter Holiday please know that our students are invited to attend with their families. For further details please go to the website - Catholic Cathedral of St John the Baptist, Norwich.



Bishop Alan - Chrism Mass 2020

The Sacrament of Reconciliation



On Wednesday we began our day with Thought Reflections around the importance of forgiveness. Later, students and staff had the opportunity to attend the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Lent is a time

of prayer and forgiveness, when we take time to reflect on our behaviour and ask for forgiveness from those we offend, an opportunity to speak with a priest and most importantly through the sacrament, renew our relationship with God. This was well-attended and as always our students were respectful and prayerful. Our grateful thanks go to our Deanery priests; Fr Joseph Andrews, Fr Grzegorz Suski, Fr Waldemar, Fr Adam Sowa, Fr Anthony Shryne and the chaplain to our school Fr Karol Porczak for giving so much of their time.

Mrs Goodfellow, Lay Chaplain

Option for the Poor - CAFOD

At SJF we have been busy fundraising for CAFOD who will be supporting the disaster in Syria and Turkey. We have had bake sales, guess the number of sweets in the jar and lots of competitions. We have also been taking part in the Big Lent Walk, walking round the field in the morning as well as any other walks that we do. Next week, will be the final push with a mufti day, more activities and on Friday, collecting in the sponsorship money and forms. Please show your support.



Mrs Wilmore, Senior Deputy Headteacher

Football Festival

On Wednesday 22 March our Year 10 Sport Leaders ran a primary school football festival for Year 6 students from schools across the city. They all did a fantastic job referring and organising the event and were brilliant role models to the younger students. Well done to all involved.



Mrs Foster, 2nd in PE.

Non - Uniform Day

Monday 17 April we will be having a mufti day to raise funds for Year 11 and Year 13 prom. Tickets will be on sale during form time and also at lunchtime in the dining hall. Tickets are £1 in advance or £2 on the day at the gate. All equipment/kit for learning must still be brought in on this day.

Academic Tutoring

Year 11

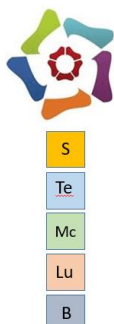
20 March – 31 March 2023

STEM Club

On Monday 17 April Stem Club will re-start with a new season of Lego League.

If you missed it last year, this is your chance!

This year we have built a double competition table so that more robots can be in action at the same time. With the experience gained at last year's event, we will be able to stage practice tournaments. We will be recruiting for a variety of positions within the club:



- Team Leader – Responsible for coordinating our campaign to win at the tournament next year
- Peer Coaches - if you were with us last year you have experience to share with new team members
- Publicity Officers – You will write items for the SJF Newsletter, take pictures and create advertising
- Mission specialist roles include: Scratch Programmers, Robot Wranglers, Hardware Specialist

If you are interested in any of these roles, please keep an eye on the Newsletter and the STEM Club noticeboard in the Science department and do join us on the first Monday of the summer term to see what it is all about in room 308 at 3.30pm. We are an equal opportunities club and we welcome everybody, from any year.

Mr Johnson, Teacher of Science

Upcoming Events	
31 March	Term ends
17 April	Summer term begins
17 April	Non-Uniform day

What Happens Next? Insights into your University Journey

Who? Year 12 and 13 students, Parents/Guardians/Carers

What? Whether you are Year 13 and still thinking about applying to University, or want more information about Degree Apprenticeships, or you're a parent who just needs to understand Student Finance better - come and join us for an informative chat and remember, no question is a silly question!

Where? Virtual on MS Teams

When? Monday 27 - Friday 31 March 2023

Why? A chance to meet experts in the University journey, ask questions and learn about the options we have at ARU

Teaching Staff: If you would like a class to attend a session, please email for details schoolsandcolleges@aru.ac.uk

Sign Up Here!



Cultural Heritage

Kurdistan Region is an autonomous region in Northern Iraq. It borders the Kurdish regions of Iran to the east, Turkey to the north and Syria to the west along with the rest of Iraq to the south. The regional capital is Erbil also known as Hawler in Kurdish. Proudly, I am from Sulaymaniyah which is known as the city of culture in Kurdistan. My favourite landmark in Sulaymaniyah is the Goizha Mountain, which allows you to see the beautiful view over Sulaymaniyah. The main language spoken is Kurdish. One of my favourite Kurdish food is Dolma which is a stuffed vegetable dish made from leaves of grapevine stuffed with lemon-flavoured mixture of rice.



Iman Kurshed, Sixth Form Student

If you would like to feature your culture in the newsletter, please email Ufuoma at ehwerhemuepha.u@sifchs.net with a paragraph that answers the following questions: what is your cultural heritage, what do you call someone from the country of your cultural heritage, what is the language spoken in this country, what is your favourite cuisine from this country, what is your favourite landmark from this country?

Free School Meals

Is your child eligible for free school meals? We are keen to make sure they get the support they need, both short term with meals / vouchers but longer term in terms of schools support via the pupils premium. If you think you may be eligible please complete the form online at www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals. Claiming Free School Meals not only provides your child/children with a meal allowance each day of £2.45 but also brings in valuable additional funding to the school.

Your child is entitled to Free School Meals if you are in receipt of one of the following:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on – paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit – your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get).

To apply for Free School Meals just download the Free School Meal Application Form from our website or complete the form online at www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals.