



One Body

This week, our first full week back, we have focussed on the theme of being 'One Body'. We have considered how we may be different but this, in fact, unites us as a community. We are like one body, all different parts, but essential for the body to function well. Also, we shared the feast of 'The Exaltation of the Holy Cross' on Thursday remembering that we are all children of God.

Year 7 Tutor Evening

Next Tuesday 19 September, we welcome Year 7 parents for our annual Tutor Evening. It is a wonderful opportunity to meet the tutor of your child.

Kate Pereira

Congratulations Bronze DofE Awards!

We were pleased to present Awards for completion of Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Awards to 11 young people this week. We are hoping to present awards to a further 12 for Bronze and 23 for Silver in the coming weeks. This achievement took hard work and commitment through the whole year. For now congratulations to:

Violah Chimbeva, Nathasha Dony, Ainah Hasmi, Balinda Iyiegbu, Iris Jacob, Hanes Mathias, Hannah Mukwahuri, Hadia Sameem, Adam Sarnecki, Aliyah Takundwa, Adam Kornaszewski



Joining or Finishing DofE

If you signed up last year (or the year before) for DofE, you can continue to complete your activities and the expedition this year. If you are in Year 10 or above and wish to join DofE, please see Mrs Wilmore - you are all welcome. We have a variety of activities in school for skills, physical and volunteering for all our students. Please see Mrs Wilmore if you wish to continue and would like a copy of the activities.

EFA Ambassador School



We are proud to be awarded an Ambassador School for the second year by the SSAT for our use of Formative Assessment. Using Formative Assessment is an essential tool in staff ensuring that they adapt their lessons so that all students are able to be successful. It is a huge achievement and a testament to the staff at SJF.

Mrs Wilmore, Senior Deputy Headteacher

Year 7 prayer group led by 6th form leaders

This week the Year 13 Student Leadership Team met to discuss the exciting plans for the Year 7



prayer groups. Every week students from each form will be invited to attend a prayer group with the 6th formers in the Chapel. The theme of Belonging will run throughout the year, with the opportunity to discuss a short passage of scripture, write prayers and say the school prayer together. It will also be a good opportunity to talk about our Mission Statement and what it feels like to belong to our Catholic School community.

Mrs Goodfellow, Lay Chaplain

Academic Tutoring

Year 11

18 September – 29 September 2023

Career of the Fortnight

Careers Fair
Friday 22 September 2023

St John Fisher Catholic High School

Pupils from Year 9 – 13 will have an opportunity to visit the careers fair. This is an opportunity to speak to employers, colleges and University about your future plans – even if you are not sure about them. Your teachers will bring you to the careers fair during your time slot on Friday 22nd September. You will receive a booklet in registration on the morning to tell you which exhibitors will be there. These are also a quiz to complete and a prize to be won!

What sort of questions could you ask?

Year 7 Humanities Visit to Belton House

This week, all Year 7 students have been invited to join the Humanities faculty on a visit to Belton House, a National Trust property in Lincolnshire. The visit on Friday 13 October will support learning in both History and Geography lessons. All students have been given a letter for this visit and details can also be found on Schoolcomms. Payment of £5 which covers the cost the cost of travel and entrance to the house and grounds can be made online via Gateway or by students in person, at the Student Services office.

STEM Club

On Wednesday 20 September 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

LEGO League is also an excellent way to fulfil your **Duke of Edinburgh** Skills section. This year's theme is... 'Masterpiece'. Come along and find out more in room 308 on Wednesday's at 3.30pm. Everyone is welcome.

Mr Johnson and Mrs Davis, Teachers of Science

New to You Uniform

As a school we are aware that the current cost of living is a concern for many of us. We are hoping to trial selling good quality second hand uniform 3 or 4 times a year. To be able to do this we are asking for any uniform your child has grown out off be donated to school. This can be sent in with your child or dropped off at reception. Obviously, it will take time for us to build up a good supply, so when these sales take place will be dependent on how much uniform is donated. Hopefully this will benefit lots of our students and we will be very grateful for any items.

Mrs Reid and Mr Cowlin, Student Support Officers

Extra-Curricular Activities 2023-24

Monday Lunchtime

Key Stage 4 – Drama – Optional Studio Time
All Years – Maths Help Club
All Years – Boys Basketball
All Years – Film Club
All Years – Chaplaincy Ambassadors - Chapel

Monday After School

All Years - Boys/Girls Football
All Years - Girls Netball
All Years - Homework Club Study Centre

Tuesday Lunchtime

Year 7, 8 & 9 - Drama Club
All Years – Maths Help Club
All Years – Girls Football

Tuesday After School

All Years Homework Club Study Centre

Wednesday Lunchtime

All Years – Maths Help Club
All Years – Indoor Mixed Cricket

Wednesday After School

Duke of Edinburgh activities (Selected Students)
STEM Club - Lego League
All Years - Badminton – Sports Hall
All Years – Homework Club Study Centre

Thursday Lunchtime

All Years - Maths Help Club
Key Stage 3 – Art Club
All Years – Girls Benchball
All Years – Girls Basketball

Thursday After School

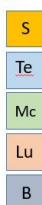
Combined Cadet Force
All Years – Fitness - Gym
All Years – Homework Club Study Centre

Friday Lunchtime

Years 8 & 9 - Inter Catholic Quiz Team
All Years – Maths Help Club
All Years – Gardening Club

Friday After School

All Years – Homework Club Study Centre



Upcoming Events	
19 September	Year 7 Tutor Evening 4pm – 6pm
29 September	Diocesan Mass, Norwich
3 October	Open Evening

