

# St John Fisher News

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## **Harmony**

The word of the week has been harmony which links to two international events this week: Christian Unity Week and World Religion Day. These two events recognise and celebrate that even though there are differences between us, we are all united. The focus for Christian Unity Week is: 'You shall love the Lord your God... and your neighbour as yourself' (Luke 10:27) and the aim of World Religion Day is to promote understanding and peace between all religions. In school our theme has centred on 'Fellowship' with scripture from Matthew 18:20 'For where two or three are gathered in name, I am among them' uniting all both key events this week and their mission.

Kate Pereira

## **Year 9 Option and Parents Evening**

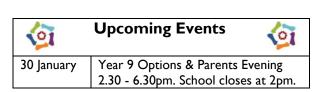
On Tuesday 30 January we have our Year 9 Options Evening and Parents Evening. This is an excellent opportunity to support our students in making the right option choices for their GCSE years. School will close at 2pm on this day.

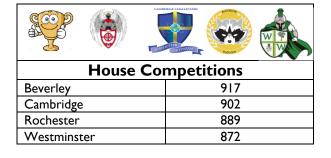
Mrs Wilmore, Senior Deputy Headteacher

## Free Maths for Parents/Carers

The Multiply and Maths Centre of Excellence are offering free one-hour workshops for parents/carers of Year 10 & 11 students. They will cover a range of elements that should help you to support your child as they prepare for their GCSEs. If you are interested do contact them via 01780 484300 Ext 309 or by email ross.coupland@stamford.ac.uk

Mrs Helcoop, Assistant Headteacher





## **Voluntary Mass**

Invitation to Tuesday Voluntary Mass in the Chapel during form time. All are welcome, please register first.



Mrs Goodfellow, Lay Chaplain

## **Peterborough Parent Power**

Tuesday 17 January Peterborough Parent Power celebrated their successes since their foundation 1 year ago. Since the group's creation our parents have been actively looking into how to support their children's aspirations to go to university when they leave education at the age of 18. As a group they have visited Anglia Ruskin University, Peterborough, Suffolk University and Trinity College, Cambridge where they enjoyed a bespoke day of university taster sessions, met with students and professors and were led on a tour of the city. They have also received information on student finance, completing CVs and writing personal statements. Over the next year Peterborough Parent Power wish to explore further how best to support our children in securing work experience in the sector in

which they have career aspirations. They are also keen to expand the group and invite other parents to join them. If you wish to find out more about Peterborough Parent Power please contact Mrs Helcoop in school.



# **Academic Tutoring**

Year 9

22 January – 2 February 2024



website: <a href="www.stjohnfisherschool.org.uk">www.stjohnfisherschool.org.uk</a> email: <a href="mailto:enquiries@stjohnfisherschool.org.uk">enquiries@stjohnfisherschool.org.uk</a>

## 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 <a href="https://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals">www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals</a>. Claiming Free School Meals not only provides your child/children with a meal allowance each day of £2.70 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 complete the Free School Meal Application Form on the website below www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals

## **Combined Cadet Force (CCF)**

## **Adult Volunteers**

Do you have some free time that you could spend on a Thursday evening with assisting our Cadets in school?

No experience needed; training will be given. Training will require your time over a few weekends and is run by the MOD.

### If interested, please email:

enquiries@stjohnfisherschool.org.uk

### **Breakfast - Free Bagels**



Why not start the day with a filling breakfast. Our Breakfast club runs every day between 8.10am and 8.30am all students are welcome to come and join us in the Dining Hall for a free bagel.

## **Extra-Curricular Activities 2023-24**

#### **Monday Lunchtime**

All Years - Maths Help Club

All Years – Boys Basketball

All Years - Film Club

All Years - Chaplaincy Ambassadors - Chapel

## **Monday After School**

Duke of Edinburgh activities

All Years - Boys/Girls Football

All Years - Girls Netball

All Years - Homework Club Study Centre

#### **Tuesday Lunchtime**

All Years - Keyboard - Room 102

All Years - Maths Help Club

All Years – Girls Football

## **Tuesday After School**

Duke of Edinburgh activities

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

STEM Club - Lego League

All Years - Badminton - Sports Hall

All Years - Homework Club Study Centre

#### **Thursday Lunchtime**

Key Stage 3 - Art Club

All Years - Choir - Room 102

All Years - Maths Help Club

All Years - Girls Benchball

All Years - Girls Basketball

#### **Thursday After School**

Duke of Edinburgh activities

All Years - Fitness - Gym

All Years - Homework Club Study Centre

### Friday Lunchtime

Years 8 & 9 - Inter Catholic Quiz Team

All Years - Gardening Club

All Years - Maths Help Club

#### Friday After School

Duke of Edinburgh activities

All Years - Homework Club Study Centre





'Today a Reader, Tomorrow a Leader"

