

St John Fisher News

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Lent: Trinity

Continuing to focus on Lent, this week we considered the Trinity and in particular, St Patrick's Day which is on Sunday. Scripture from Matthew 28:19 'Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.' In Rochester Assembly, R7 gifted each member of Rochester House a badge bearing a 3-leaf clover and shared in their assembly the symbolism of the clover and the Holy Trinity linking to the teachings of St Patrick. Well done to all students and tutors who led assemblies this week.

SJF Book Day

We also celebrated World Book Day with activities for the students to do as well as a Drop Everything And Read activity in each lesson of the day.

PPEs

Years 9 and 12 start their PPEs after the Easter break. Students will be prepared for these internal exams in their lessons and in addition be expected to revise at home. If you have any queries regarding this please contact your child's form tutor in the first instance.

Attendance

We have received an attendance award as a school which recognises the hard work that goes in to ensuring students attend school every day. The award has put us in the top 10% of similar schools nationally for attendance. We recognise the essential role that parents and carers make in this, so thank you for your continued support in this matter. Please continue to ensure your child attends school every day. Holidays are not permitted during term time. Every day absent is lost learning and it is very disruptive to students when trying to catch up.

Staff

We said goodbye to Mrs Lynn Stevens this week after 18 years of service at St John Fisher. We wish her well in her early retirement and thank her for all she has done for our students and staff over her time here.

Kate Pereira



Future Events



26 March

Year 11 & 13 Parents Evening 2.30-6.30pm. School closes at 2pm

Duke Of Edinburgh



Mr Cayley and Mrs Wilmore are busy looking at eDofE to put together a list for the Bronze expedition. We will be selecting students who have uploaded evidence of at least two completed activities (Physical, Volunteering or

Skill). If you are completing these activities in school, your completed logbook will be your evidence. If the activity is external to school, the activity leader will need to write their report as evidence. The deadline to be part of the expedition for Bronze this year will be to have the evidence uploaded by Tuesday 19 March 2024. Any queries please ask either of us.

Effective Formative Assessment

We welcomed visitors from schools near and far on Thursday 14 March 2024. As we have EFA Ambassador School status, we are examples to others of effective formative assessment in our teaching.

Mrs Wilmore, Senior Deputy Headteacher

Career of the Fortnight



Each fortnight our Careers team focus on a different job to help students explore the many career opportunities

that are available. During tutor time they will have the opportunity to discuss, as a group, the career of the fortnight looking at the skills required, roles and responsibilities involved, working conditions, qualifications needed, annual salary plus more!

To find out more about the Career of the Fortnight please visit the school website.

Mrs Maudsley, Careers Lead

Academic Tutoring

Post 16

11 March - 22 March 2024



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Focus Day 2

Last Friday our students participated in the second Focus Day of the academic year. As part of our Wider Curriculum students joined together and took part in:

- Year 7 Technology Fabulous Fashion
- Year 8 Expressive Arts Drama, PE & Art
- Year 9 Humanities -Visited Wimpole Hall and Citizenship
- Year I0 Careers University Visits
- Year II RE & Science Masterclass and Revision
- Year 12 Careers Life Skills, First Responder (FROST), Unifrog and Lincoln University
- Year 13 Careers Student finance (NEACO), Moving away from home, Cooking, Mock interviews.

All students enjoyed the diversity of the day. Mrs Helcoop, Assistant Headteacher





















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

Year 7 - Blooklet Club French - Room 211

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

Year 8 - Blooklet Club French - Room 211

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

Year 9 - Blooklet Club French - Room 211

Thursday After School

Duke of Edinburgh activities

Adventure Training (Courtyard)

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"



