



Catholic Multi Academy Trust

Our Chair of Governors Nick Ager has provided a short statement regarding St John Fisher and the St John the Baptist Multi Academy Trust:

'At last week's Governors meeting, it was unanimously agreed that St John Fisher should join the St John the Baptist Catholic MAT. This will be effective from April 2025. Our school is already in a very good place and Governors believe the school will be even stronger in the Catholic MAT. In these uncertain times, joining the MAT will create an even stronger foundation for the school, students and staff.'

Nick Ager Chair of Governors

Music Concert

Thank you and well done to all students and staff involved in the music concert on Wednesday which showcased the performance skills and progress of our students who are involved in music and music lessons at school. Thank you to all parents/carers who attended in support and to Mrs Pearson who led the event. It was a wonderful evening.

Westminster House Mass

Westminster House celebrated Mass together on Monday. Thank you to everybody involved in the planning and preparation and to those who supported on the day itself in various roles. Mrs Goodfellow has provided an article to follow about the Mass.

Yellow Day

Today was Rochester House Charity Day where students and staff led activities to raise money for Rochester House charities. Thank you to all involved.

Public Exams

Practical Public Exams have already started as I am sure you are aware and we are now entering into our main exam season. If your child is taking public exams, please ensure that they have all the equipment they need for their exams. Students are aware of what they need to bring with them and what they must not take into the exam hall. Students should be spending time revising at home now and I know you will support in this.

Kate Pereira

Academic Tutoring

Year 9

7 May – 17 May 2024

Mass Celebration Westminster House



On Monday we celebrated our Westminster House Mass on the feast of St Catherine of Siena. The theme of 'Shining God's Light' and being a good example, and a good guide to others, reflected the readings of the feast day. In the first reading from the first letter of St John we were reminded that 'God is light' and 'if we live

our lives in the light, as he is in the light, we are in union with one another'. Each tutor group brought forward a star during the processional offertory, at the beginning of the Mass, with words such as 'encouragement', 'guide' and 'support' on the stars. We were also reassured in the Gospel according to Matthew to 'Come to me, all you who labour and are overburdened, and I will give you rest.' With grateful thanks to Fr Karol from St Peter and All Souls, our readers and musicians and choir for making this such a beautiful celebration.

Mrs Goodfellow, Lay Chaplain



Raffle winners

Last week we held our first Family Bingo Night in aid of CAFOD. As part of this exciting evening the raffle was drawn and the top three winners won a BMX Bike, a signed Peterborough football shirt and a Boots gift bag! Many congratulations to everyone who won prizes!

Mrs Goodfellow, Lay Chaplain



Confirmation



On Monday evening Bishop Peter visited St Peter and All Souls to confirm a number of students from St John Fisher Catholic High. Those who received the Holy Sacrament of Confirmation were, Ebenezer,

Adam, Alicia, Crizane, Tanaka, Lourdes, Laura, Vali & Helena. In Matthew 3:11 we hear John the Baptist speaking saying 'I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.' Many congratulations to our newly confirmed students.

Rowena Goodfellow, Lay Chaplain



Year 10 Work Experience, 10 – 14 June 2024

Students have received their placement details and a parental signature accepting the placement is needed and returned by Friday 10 May. If you have any queries regarding Work Experience please contact Miss Reeve louise.reeve@stjohnfishersschool.org.uk

Peterborough Parent Power

The next Peterborough Parent Power meeting will take place on Tuesday 21 May, 17:45-19:45 at ARU Peterborough. There will be a session on revision and study skills followed by a campaign workshop, which will involve community organising training. As always, free sandwiches and refreshments will be provided. Parents/Carers wishing to attend this meeting can sign up using this link: [Peterborough Parent Power 21st May](#) or contact Mrs Helcoop in school. Representatives from Peterborough Parent Power will also be attending the Year 10 Parents Evening on Tuesday 14 May in school.



Mrs Helcoop, Assistant Headteacher

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 £2.70 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

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
- 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