



# St John Fisher News

'I have come that they may have life and have it to the full'

St John's Gospel Chapter 10

8 May 2026

No. 665

## Theme: Blessed

As we are in the month of May, we started this week by considering the words of Mary: 'Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed.' We thought about the blessings in our lives: family, friends, education, health. But also, how we can be a blessing to others: kindness, respect, supporting others and standing up against injustice. Small acts have big impact: a smile, sitting next to someone who is alone and challenging unkind words and actions. SJF were asked to spend a few minutes appreciating the blessings in our lives.

## Attendance Award

Congratulations to our students on their attendance in the spring term. Once again, we have been awarded for our high attendance putting us in the top 10% of schools nationally. Thanks to the pastoral team who lead on attendance.

Natasha Wilmore, Headteacher

## Faculty of Divinity

Last Friday my Year 13 RE class and Miss James had the pleasure of visiting the Faculty of Divinity at the University of Cambridge. During our sessions, led by author of our revision guide Libby Ahluwalia, we gained key knowledge on how we can further structure our exams and tone our writing styles to reach the 'top bands' in an exam. It was insightful speaking to other students from other schools who were doing other exam boards as it expanded our breadth of knowledge and we made new friends. During our break we had the opportunity to further walk around the campus; the architecture particularly piqued my interest as it was traditional with a modern, elegant twist. As a whole, this experience did truly provide us with the extra exam insight we needed so that we will achieve top grades come next month.



Year 13 Student, Learning Leader for RE

## West Road Concert Hall

Mrs Pearson took a group of KS3 students to Cambridge on Tuesday to listen to Cambridge students singing songs from musicals. We were treated to beautiful voices and inspirational performances. A big thank you to Mrs Pearson from everyone involved in the trip.

Ms Roberts, Subject Lead EAL

Academic Tutoring  
Year 8  
5 – 15 May 2026



CREATION

## Catholic Social Teaching Care for Creation

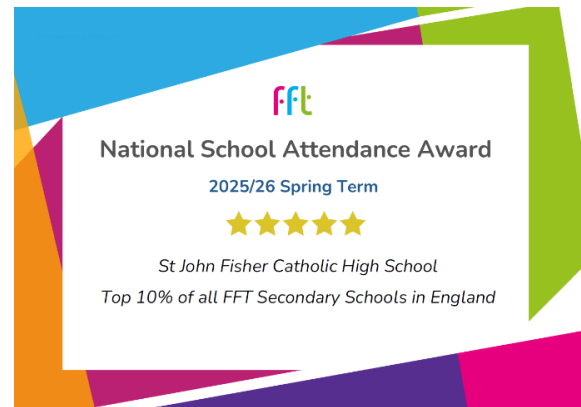
The Top Tip for this week focusses on our use of water. Do we waste water? What can we do to reduce our water consumption?

### Top Tip 4 – Save Water

Try saving water by switching to more sustainable alternatives like using a watering can rather than a hose pipe. Turn the tap off when cleaning your teeth and have quicker showers.



Student Senior Leadership Team



## Year 11 and Year 13 Exams

This week the written exams for Year 11 and Year 13 are starting. A big good luck to all our Year 11 and Year 13 students - you've worked hard and we're proud of you. Stay calm, do your best, and remember we're all behind you.

Mrs Fieldhouse, Assistant Headteacher

## Sixth Form Star Students April

April Star Students are Lucas in Year 12 and Jooreoluwa in Year 13. Lucas is a hardworking and conscientious student, giving 100% in everything that he does. He quietly gets on with his studies here and at Kings and is making great progress in Year 12. Jooreoluwa is a brilliant student with 100% attendance, which is no mean feat. She works exceptionally hard in all of her lessons and can be relied upon to do anything that is asked of her. Congratulations to both students, keep your eyes peeled for May Star Students.

Mrs Reay, Head of Sixth Form

## Book Club



Book club takes place Monday, Wednesday & Friday mornings at 8:10-8:35am in Room 101.

Mrs Martins De Abreu, Teacher of English

## Extra-Curricular Activities

### Monday Lunchtime

All Years – Tennis (Courts)  
All Years – Chaplaincy Ambassadors (Chapel)  
Year 7 – Art Club (week 1 only)  
Year 7 - Blooket Club French (Room 211)  
Students with EAL Support – Piano Club  
All Years - Warhammer Club (Art Room)  
All Years – Film Club

### Monday After School

All Years - Mixed Football (Astroturf)  
All Years – Girls Rounders (Field)  
All Years – Chorum Choir (Room 102)  
Ad-hoc – Production Rehearsal (501)  
All Years - Homework Club Study Centre

### Tuesday Lunchtime

All Years - Guitar Club (Room 102)  
Year 8 - Blooket Club French (Room 211)  
Year 9 – Drama Club (501)  
Years 7/9 – Textiles Club (week 1 only)

### Tuesday After School

All Years - Homework Club Study Centre

### Wednesday Lunchtime

All Years – Tennis (Courts)  
Year 9 - Blooket Club French (Room 211)  
DofE – Backstage & Lighting Club (501)  
DofE – Italian Club (Room 209)  
String Players – String Ensemble (Room 102)

### Wednesday After School

All Years – Tennis Club (Courts)  
All Years - Homework Club Study Centre

### Thursday Lunchtime

All Years – Tennis (Courts)  
Year 8 – Drama Club  
BSL Club (Room 101)  
Blooket Club Spanish (Room 211)

### Thursday After School

All Years – Cricket (Astroturf)  
All Years - Musical Theatre Club (501)  
Ad-hoc – Production Rehearsal (501)  
All Years - Homework Club Study Centre  
DofE – Musical Theatre/ Performing Arts  
DofE – Yoga (209)

### Friday Lunchtime

All Years – Band Practice (Practice Room 3)  
Year 7 – Drama Club (501)  
Years 7/9 – Textiles Club (week 2 only)

### Friday After School

All Years - Homework Club Study Centre

## Upcoming Events

14/  
15  
MAY

DofE Bronze Qualifying Expedition

12  
JUN

Year 11 Prom 7-11pm

2-12  
JUN

Year 10 Work Experience: 2-12 June

## Water Bottles



Please ensure that your child brings in plenty of water to stay hydrated throughout the day.

## SchoolGateway - Payments

As we are a cash free school **all payments** and consent for trips, visits, performances, food technology and catering are completed via the SchoolGateway App/Schoolcomms.



## YDP May Half-Term Camps

To book please follow the link <https://eequ.org/youthdreamsproject>

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SCAN ME

**MANOR DRIVE ACADEMY**  
26TH + 27TH MAY  
9-3PM

**HAMPTON GARDENS**  
26, 27 + 28TH MAY  
9-3PM

**FOURFIELDS**  
26TH + 27TH MAY  
9-3PM

**ALDERMAN JACOBS**  
28 + 29TH MAY  
9-3PM

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## Appointments



Medical appointments for students need to be made outside of school hours and, if unavoidable, proof of the appointment must be provided.

Mr Bates, Assistant Headteacher

**Year 11 Prom – Save the Date**  
This year our Year 11 Prom will take place on **12 June 2026 from 7-11pm**.  
More information about tickets and eligibility to follow.