



Advent: Hope

Advent began on Sunday and this week we lit our first candle on the Advent wreath. The first candle is the candle of Hope, or also known as the prophet's candle. We have been reflecting this week on the reading from the book of Isaiah and thinking about how God shines a light on our path in our lives today.

'The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light'. (Isaiah 9:2)

Reconciliation

We had Reconciliation in school on Tuesday as we do every Advent and Lent. Students led the readings and Drama for the morning service and then our deanery priests heard confessions throughout the day. Thank you to everybody involved in this, especially our priests, students, Mrs Goodfellow and Mr Chappel.

Joint Catholic Schools Carol Service

Last night we hosted the Peterborough Catholic schools here at St John Fisher for the Peterborough Catholic Schools Joint Carol Service. It was a lovely service with the telling of Salvation History through readings and Carols finishing with the birth of Jesus. Well done and thank you to all involved in this especially our students. Special thanks to the music coordinators from each primary school, Mrs Goodfellow, Mrs Pearson and the catering team for the refreshments.

*Kate Pereira
Executive Headteacher*

Democracy at SJF

This week we have been voting for our new Sixth Form Leadership Team. All staff and students at school are given the opportunity to vote following the hustings last week. Once again, well done to all who were involved.

Early Closure

A reminder that we close at 2pm on Tuesday 10 December for the Year 11 and 13 Parents Evening. We will also close at 2pm on the last day of term, Friday 20 December.

DofE

A gentle reminder: As many students come to the end of their 3-month activity it is important to upload any evidence or assessor report to eDofE. If you are unsure how to do this, see Mr Cayley or Mrs Wilmore.

Mrs Wilmore, Head of School

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Sixth Form Star Students



November's Star Students are Emilia Nowaczyk (Year 12) and Leon Noronha (Year 13). Emilia has made a great start to

Sixth Form and Year 12. She has shown that she is a responsible and committed Sixth Form student and made positive contributions in Business, Economics and History. Leon is an excellent role model in the Sixth Form. In his recent assessment point his attitude to learning in Business and IT was exemplary and he is making excellent progress towards his targets. Leon has also shown great dedication to supporting Mrs Pearson with the school music provision and currently the school carol concert. Congratulations to both students, keep your eyes peeled for December's Star Students.



Mrs Reay, Assistant Headteacher

Exam Certificates



On Thursday 9 January 2025 we welcome back students who sat GCSE and A level exams in the summer as they come to collect their certificates along with our students currently in Year 12. This is a very informal event but it is always good to see students who have left and hear how they are getting on. It will be held in the Atrium between 3.30-4.30pm.

Mr Martyn, Examinations Officer

Upcoming Events	
10 December	Year 11 & 13 Parents Evening 2.30-6.30pm. School closes at 2pm.
12 December	Non-uniform & Christmas Jumper day £1, proceeds for CAFOD
20 December	End of Term school closes at 2pm.

Academic Tutoring
Year 11
2 December – 13 December
2024



Hamper Competition



Career of the Fortnight: Train Driver

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



Extra-Curricular Activities 2024-2025

Monday Lunchtime

All Years – Choir – Room 101
 All Years – Maths Help Club
 All Years – Film Club
 All Years – Boys Basketball – Sports Hall
 All Years – Chaplaincy Ambassadors – Chapel
 Year 10 – Italian Club - 209

Monday After School

Duke of Edinburgh activities
 All Years - Boys/Girls Football - Astro
 All Years – Netball Club – Courts
 All Years - Homework Club Study Centre
 Key Stage 4 – Basketball – Sports Hall
 Year 9 – Food Club – Room 306
 Ad-hoc – Production Rehearsal - 501

Tuesday Lunchtime

All Years – Maths Help Club
 All Years – Girls Basketball & Benchball – Sports Hall
 Year 7 - Blooklet Club French – Room 211
 Ad-hoc – Production Rehearsal - 501

Tuesday After School

All Years Homework Club Study Centre

Wednesday Lunchtime

All Years – String Ensemble – Room 101
 All Years – Maths Help Club
 All Years – Girls Football – Sports Hall
 Year 7 – Drama Club – Room 501
 Year 8 - Blooklet Club French – Room 211

Wednesday After School

Duke of Edinburgh activities
 All Years – Badminton Club – Sports Hall
 All Years – Homework Club Study Centre
 Ad-hoc – Production Rehearsal - 501

Thursday Lunchtime

Key Stage 3 – Art Club
 All Years – Choir – Room 101
 All Years - Maths Help Club
 All Years – Cricket Club – Sports Hall
 All Years – Optional Studio Space - 501
 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

All Years – Maths Help Club
 Blooklet Club Spanish – Room 211
 Years 8 & 9 – Drama – Room 501
 Year 9 – Italian Club - 209
 Year 10 – Product & Design Club – Room 305

Friday After School

All Years – Homework Club Study Centre
 Key Stage 4 – Drama Intervention – Room 501

Safeguarding Reminder

A reminder to all parents that the school car park is only to be used by staff or parents that have been invited for booked appointments with staff members. Please do not drop off or collect students within the school grounds, for the safety of all students. Thank you for your continued co-operation.

YDP

Y.D.P. HAF Christmas Camps

Is your child eligible for benefit related free school meals? If the answer is yes, you can apply for FREE Christmas camps for 5 – 15 year olds at 5 venues of your choice (listed below).

24.12.2024 09:00-12:00	BUP HIGH SCHOOL (PEL 510)	04:00pm
24.12.2024 09:00-12:00	BISHOP CREIGHTON (PEL 108)	04:00pm
24.12.2024 09:00-12:00	HAMPTON GARDENS (PEL 818)	04:00pm
24.12.2024 09:00-12:00	DOGSHORE ACADEMY (PEL 410)	04:00pm
24.12.2024 09:00-12:00	WIL LEAM LAW (PEL 807)	04:00pm
24.12.2024 09:00-12:00	WOODSTON PRIMARY (PEL 589)	04:00pm
24.12.2024 09:00-12:00	MANSER DRIVE ACADEMY (PEL 789)	04:00pm
24.12.2024 09:00-12:00	TEEN CAMPUS	04:00pm
24.12.2024 10:00-12:00	BRANDISH ACADEMY (PEL 899)	10:00am-12:00pm (10:00am-12:00pm)
24.12.2024 10:00-12:00	JACK HUNT (PEL 895)	10:00am-12:00pm (10:00am-12:00pm)
24.12.2024 10:00-12:00	BUP HIGH SCHOOL (PEL 510)	10:00am-12:00pm (10:00am-12:00pm)

APPLY NOW!

Visit youthdreamproject.co.uk/ydp-projects-haf/ or click on the QR code to apply for the remaining places.

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Options to pay with on the day for the remaining places: £5 per hour