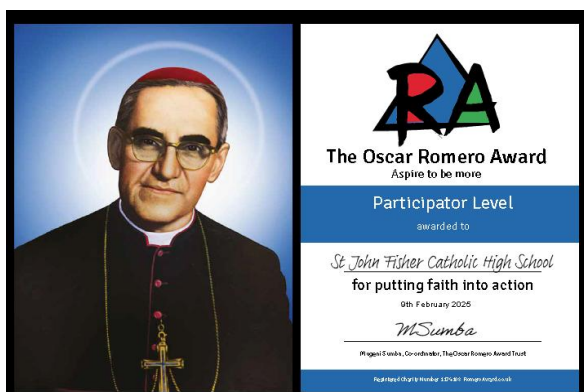




Oscar Romero Award

We heard this week that we have been given the Oscar Romero Award at Participator Level. This is an award for Catholic schools for putting faith into action in a variety of ways from our policies and practices through our curriculum and through practical charity work. We are also the first Catholic school in the Diocese of East Anglia to receive this award. We are delighted to receive this prestigious award because it celebrates the work of every member of the St John Fisher community for putting our school mission into practice through our everyday work which includes applying the principles of Catholic Social Teaching in all aspects of school life.



Theme: Wisdom

Our thoughts and assemblies this week have centred around the theme of Wisdom and linked to the virtue of Love as it is the feast St Valentine on 14 February. One highlight this week was the assembly led by W4 which explored the theme of Wisdom and Love by exploring the nature of belief in God. The form group all took part and made a paper heart tree to represent the idea that God is Love and at the centre of our lives. Well done to all involved.



Kate Pereira, Executive Headteacher

Future Events	
24 February	PPE's Year 11 & Year 13.
24 February	Year 8 NHS, HPV sessions.
28 February	Mufti Day, proceeds to Yr 11 Prom.
04 March	Year 7 & 12 Parents Evening. School close at 2pm.
14 March	Focus Day.

Half term

Next week is half term and, whilst we know that our Year 11s and 13s will be busy revising for their PPEs, we hope that all students and staff have a restful and enjoyable week. We return to school on Monday 24 February.

Mrs Wilmore, Head of School

Sixth Form Star Students

January's Star Students are Shelly Azevedo (Year 12) and Jasmin Lewis (Year 13). Both girls this month have showed outstanding attitudes in Sixth Form and have received numerous merits from their subjects. Both have also worked extremely hard in their subject's gaining recognition from their teachers. Shelly and Jasmin have also shown to be good role models to younger students within form time and are a credit to St John Fisher Catholic High School Sixth Form. Congratulations to both students. Keep up the hard work!

Mr Cayley, 2nd in Sixth Form

Insight Discovery

On Wednesday 12 February, 6 students took part in an Oracy Day with the Insight Programme at Thomas Clarkson Academy. This is a programme is run by the University of Cambridge. Our students were absolutely brilliant, and although it was out of their comfort zone and they had to speak and present in front of everyone several times, they engaged and participated really well. Special mentions go to Zuzanna and Angel who were fantastic, putting their hands up and even volunteering to go first when no one else would. They were so eloquent and confident when presenting their speeches. Zuzanna was very passionate about why Netball is a real sport and Angel spoke about her volunteering work with St John Ambulance as well as amazing everyone by casually slipping in the longest word in English and if you are curious the word is (pneumonoultramicroscopicsilicovolcanoconiosis).

Mrs Naz, Teacher of Mathematics

Academic Tutoring
Year 7
24 February – 7 March 2025



Extra-Curricular Activities 2024-2025

Monday Lunchtime

All Years – Chorum 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
All Years - Guitar for Beginners – Room 301

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
All Years - String Ensemble – Room 101
All Years - Guitar Club – Practice room 1

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
All Years - Pop Choir – Room 102

Thursday After School

Duke of Edinburgh activities
All Years – Fitness – Gym
All Years – Homework Club Study Centre
All Years - Music Theory Club

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
All Years - Pop/Rock Band – Practice Room 1

Friday After School

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

BINGO Prizes

If you have any unused gifts, please consider donating them to the school so they can be used as BINGO prizes later in the year. Please leave your donations at Reception.

Mrs Goodfellow, Lay Chaplain

House Competitions	
Westminster	2721
Cambridge	2655
Beverley	2607
Rochester	2375

Year 10 Work Experience

A reminder Year 10 students have until 28 February to select 6 potential placements for Work Experience.

They must order and submit their choices on the database by this date. Information about work experience can be found on our website:-

[Year 10 Work Experience 2025 – St John Fisher Catholic High School](#)

Students can still source their own placement as long as the company is not on the database.

Please contact Miss Reeve for Work Experience queries.

Miss Reeve, Careers Teacher

Deaf Hub Display

Students, please take a look at the new Deaf Hub display board found to the left of the Study Centre. You can find lots of information about the Deaf Hub, the team, British Sign Language, the Sign Language clubs, events and activities. Check the notice board for regular updates!



Valentine's Day BSL Word Scramble

Over the half term holiday, why not try solving the Valentine's Day-themed British sign language word scramble sheet? Get a copy either at the Study Centre or download it on the Deaf Hub section of the School Website. Deadline to complete it and hand into Teacher of the Deaf, Mrs Lester for a prize is the 28 February.

Mrs Lester, Teacher of the Deaf

Activities Day Wednesday 16 July 2025

During the week beginning Monday 24 February, students in Years 7, 8, 9 and 10 will be able to choose which activity they would like to participate in.

The activities booklet and the choice selection letter was given to students over the past two days of term, please discuss these choices with your son/daughter as some of them have costs attached to them. The activity choice sheet has the date in which it needs to be returned after half term and will be collected at the gate.