



Theme: Lent



We have begun the season of Lent in the Liturgical year which is a time of 40 days leading up to Easter where we are called to pray, fast, and give to charity. This week we had Ash Wednesday services and

ashes were distributed following these. Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent with ashes, fasting and reflecting on turning back to God. The Drama during the Ash Wednesday service explained the meaning of the Lord's prayer in simple terms and was delivered very professionally. Well done to all students involved in the readings and Drama and thank you to Mrs Goodfellow and Mr Chappel for coordinating.

Diocesan News Article: Faith in Action

St John Fisher is in the Diocesan news again. If you wish to read the article about Faith in Action, please click on this link. <https://www.rcdea.org.uk/faith-in-action-at-st-john-fisher-high-school/>

Kate Pereira, Executive Headteacher

Collaborating With The Wider Community

This week we have worked with other Secondary Schools in Peterborough as part of the Associate Schools Programme linked with the Royal Shakespeare Theatre. This is an exciting initiative bringing Shakespeare to life! We also made links with PDSA who held a bowling event in Peterborough for some of our students this week. Alongside this we continue to work with NEACO who are currently working with some Year 7 and 12 students as well as Cambridge University with the Insight Discover and The Brilliant Club. We are fortunate to be able to provide such diverse opportunities for our students.

Mrs Wilmore, Head of School

Future Events	
14 March	Focus Day.
24 March	Year 10 PPE's begin.
25 March	Year 11 & 13 Parents Evening. School closes @ 2pm.

Ash Wednesday

Our Ash Wednesday services were attended by the whole School, followed by the opportunity to receive the ashes. As always, our Chapel was available at break and lunch for private prayer. During the services we reflected on the beginning of our Lenten journey and why we receive the ashes. In addition, the scripture, music and the short drama performance focussed on the Lord's Prayer. Many thanks to all the students for their respect and prayerful manner and to our readers who reminded us that Lent is a time to **give** – both to charity and of our time, to **fast** from unhealthy treats or behaviours and to **pray** – for each other and all who are in need.

Mrs Goodfellow, Lay Chaplain



Career Bites

As part of our Career Fortnight, we welcomed Taylor Rose Law to our lunchtime career talk. Students met Simon and Jack, who specialise in Property and Probate. Jenny and Rachel who spoke about HR and Recruitment.



Students found about different routes with Law Careers and had the opportunity to ask questions. Next week we have Cadent Gas and The Royal Mail for our Careers Bites sessions. Students can sign up at the Careers Office for these talks.

Miss Reeve, Careers Teacher

Academic Tutoring
Year 12
10 March – 21 March 2025



Big Lent Walk

The Big Lent Walk in aid of CAFOD begins next week! We will be walking in solidarity with our brothers and sister around the world who are in the greatest need. The sponsorship forms have been given to all staff and students, please begin asking for cash donations.



The Students Leadership Team

Years 7 & 8 - Geography Fieldwork 2024

I wandered lonely as a cloud
That floats on high o'er vales and hills,
When all at once I saw a crowd,
A host, of golden daffodils;
Beside the lake, beneath the trees,
Fluttering and dancing in the breeze.

By William Wordsworth

At the start of January, all students in years 7 and 8 were invited to attend fieldwork with the Geography Department on various days during June and July and issued with letters accordingly. Unfortunately, some students, despite much prompting and individual reminders from their teachers, are yet to secure places for these visits.

Payment can be made by Schoolcomms app or by registering on the School Gateway website on your PC.

	Destination	Date	Cost
Year 7	Ferry Meadows	24 June or 25 June	£5
Year 8	Hunstanton	30 June or 8 July	£12

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.

Appointments

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

Mr Olaman, Deputy Headteacher

Breakfast - Free Bagels



Why not start the day with a filling breakfast. Our Breakfast club runs every day between 8.10am and 8.30am all students are welcome to come and join us in the Dining Hall for a free bagel.



School Information – Edulink One

- Provide all information in one place
- Reduce amount of paper produced
- Easy to use for parents
- No need for students to bring cash into school
- Parents evening bookings available on your mobile, no need to print appointment sheets
- Student reports available for you to view
- Easy for parents to provide details of absences and communicate changes to personal details with us

If you have not already done so, **download the app called Edulink One** on your Android or IOS device and register

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Catering - SchoolGateway

- Easy to use for parents
- Parents can pay for catering via the app
- No need for students to bring cash into school
- Details of your child's food choices available for you to see

Guidance on SchoolGateway can be found on Pages 14-15 of the Information for Parents booklet

Consideration for our Neighbours

Please **DO NOT** block the driveways of our residents when dropping or collecting your child from school.