



St John Fisher News

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

St John's Gospel Chapter 10

10 October 2025

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The Common Good

With Rochester House Charity Day on Monday, our focus has been on the principles of Catholic Social Teaching of The Common Good and Option for the Poor. As Pope Leo has just told us in his first major magisterial document, *Dilexi te* (I have loved): "Charity has the power to change reality; it is a genuine force for change in history." Thank you to all the staff and students who gave their time, enthusiasm and contributions to raise money for two deserving charities: Macmillan Cancer Support and St Vincent de Paul Society.

Duke of Edinburgh

Congratulations to students who received their Bronze Awards this week. You should all be very pleased with your achievement and ready to face the challenge of the Silver Award!

Advance Notice

We will be welcoming prospective Year 12 students with their parents/carers at our Post-16 Open Evening on Tuesday 14 October starting at 6pm.

Year 11 Pre-Public Exams start on 20 October. Timetables have already been published to students. I hope that they use this time to prepare and revise for these important examinations.

Students will not be expected in school on 24 October – this is a staff training day. The following week (27 October - 2 November) is our half term with students returning to school on the 3 November.

Natasha Wilmore, Headteacher

Catholic Social Teaching Care for Creation

Each term we consider one of the principles of Catholic Social Teaching and this term we continue with Care for Creation. Here is our fifth top tip from our Student Leadership Team.

Top Tip Week 5

We can look after the planet and ourselves too.

Walking, or walking to a bus stop or cycling instead of always relying on cars.

Student Senior Leadership Team



"Today a Reader,
Tomorrow a Leader"

Candidates for Confirmation

Students wishing to be confirmed need to register by Sunday 19 October with Fr Karol, at St Peter and All Souls. Students in Year 9 to Year 12 are eligible. A meeting for students and their parents will take place in the Parish Hall on 23 October at 7.30pm.

Mrs Goodfellow, Lay Chaplain

Caritas Festival at St John Fisher Catholic High School on 1 November 2025

We are proud of our Caritas Ambassadors who were commissioned by Bishop Peter earlier this year. Bishop Peter is now inviting them, their family, friends and indeed everyone in Peterborough to come to St John Fisher Catholic High School to celebrate and learn about other activities and organisations, who like our Caritas Ambassadors are championing Catholic Social Teaching and making a tangible impact in the local community. Those present will include Angel Tree, The Light Project, Peterborough Foodbank, CAFOD, Radio Maria, Stella Maris and UCM, as well, it is hoped, others such as Little Miracles, Hope Shoe Box, Fenland Christians Against Poverty (CAP), The Catenians, CWL, Modern Slavery and SVP will also attend. The event at SJF on 1 November will begin in the school hall at 10am with Mass celebrated by Bishop Peter and be followed by refreshments and opportunities to find out about all these local projects. It will end at 12.15pm with prayer and reflection on the day. **ALL ARE WELCOME** to attend for part of or the whole event.

If there are charitable social actions or organisations, i.e. people coming together to help improve their lives and solve the problems that are important in their communities, not listed above that you would like to see or think should be represented at the festival, particularly if you are involved in them yourself, please e-mail your ideas to caritas@rcdea.org.uk now.

David Livesey, Administrator Caritas East Anglia.

House Competition

Beverley		834
Cambridge		741
Rochester		751
Westminster		846

Academic Tutoring Year 13 13 October - 23 October 2025

Extra-Curricular Activities 2025-2026

Monday Lunchtime

All Years – Racket Sports (Sports Hall)
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 – Film Club

Monday After School

All Years - Boys Football (Astroturf)
All Years – Chorum Choir (Room 102)
Ad-hoc – Production Rehearsal (501)
DofE – Food Club (Room 306)
All Years - Homework Club Study Centre

Tuesday Lunchtime

All Years – Girls Multi-Sports (Sports Hall)
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 – Basketball (Sports Hall)
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 – Girls Netball (Courts)
All Years - Homework Club Study Centre

Thursday Lunchtime

All Years – Cricket Club (Astroturf)
Year 8 - Drama Club
Blooket Club Spanish (Room 211)

Thursday After School

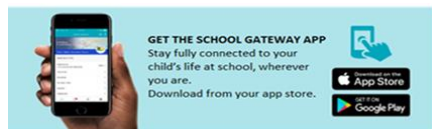
All Years – Badminton Club (Astroturf)
All Years - Musical Theatre Club (501)
Ad-hoc – Production Rehearsal (501)
All Years - Homework Club Study Centre
DofE – Musical Theatre/ Performing Arts
DofE – Yoga (209)

Friday Lunchtime

All Years - Volleyball Club (Sports Hall)
All Years – Band Practice (Practice Room 3)
All Years - Warhammer Club (Art Room)
Year 7 – Drama Club (501)
Years 7/9 – Textiles Club (week 2 only)

Friday After School

All Years - Homework Club Study Centre



Year 11 and 13 PPEs

Year 11 PPEs (Pre-Public Exams) start on Monday 20 October. This is an opportunity for the students to demonstrate how well they are progressing towards their public examinations in the summer. Students must be aware of the rules and regulations for sitting exams. Here are a few quick reminders:

- No mobile phones or web enabled devices
- Water must be in clear plastic bottles
- Know where to sit by checking their exam timetable
- Do not use any form of communication with other candidates whilst in the exam room

Please note, Year 13 PPEs start immediately after Half term on Monday 3 November.

Mrs Fieldhouse, Assistant Headteacher

Upcoming Events

14 OCT	Post-16 Options Evening 6pm-8pm
17 OCT	Focus Day
20 OCT	Year 11 PPEs
24 OCT	Staff Training Day – School Closed
1 NOV	Caritas Festival at SJF 10am start
3 NOV	Year 13 PPEs
4-10 NOV	November GCSE English/Maths Resits
18 NOV	Parents Evening Year 8 & Year 12 (school closes 2pm)

Sixth Form Open Evening

14 October 6pm-7.30pm

We would like to welcome students in Year 11 and parents to view everything our Sixth Form has to offer. There will be a presentation from Mrs Reay, Head of Sixth Form, and opportunities to speak to subject staff about our Post 16 courses. The first presentation will start at 6pm. No advanced booking is required.

Consultation Meeting

Parents, carers and the wider community are invited to a consultation meeting on Tuesday 21 October at 6pm. This will take place in the School Hall and will provide information on St John Fisher joining the St John the Baptist Catholic Multi-Academy Trust which is proposed for 1 January 2026.

Breakfast - Free Bagels

Why not start the day with a filling breakfast. Our Breakfast club runs every day between 8.10am and 8.30am.



Peterborough Parent Power

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What path would you like to see your child take after school?

When: Tuesday 21st October
Time: 17.45-19:45pm
Where: Anglia Ruskin University, Peterborough

This meeting will include an information session on Degree Apprenticeships run by Anglia Ruskin University.

Further and higher education can help your child to their dream career. We want to listen to you to find out how we can work together to support your child on their educational journey.

[Click here](#) or scan the QR code to register your attendance:

For further information, contact:

Sophie Waring on 07398182824 or peterboroughparentpower@thebrilliantclub.org





YDP Half Term Camps

Y.D.P. HALF TERM CAMPS

YOUTH DREAMS PROJECT

WE BELIEVE IN YOUTH!

FUN SPORTS CAMPS FOR CHILDREN IN RECEPTION - SCHOOL YEAR 8



- ALDERMAN JACOBS (PE7 1XJ), 27-29 OCT 9-3PM
- THE DEEPINGS CARAVAN PARK (PE6 8LQ), 27-28 OCT 9-3PM
- COPA (PE1 SLO), 27-28 OCT 9-3PM
- FOOTBALL CAMP @ COPA (PE1 SLO), 27-28 OCT 10-2PM
- FOURFIELDS PRIMARY (PE7 3ZT), 27-28 OCT 9-3PM
- HAMPTON GARDENS (PE7 8MR), 27-29 OCT 9-3PM
- MANOR DRIVE ACADEMY (PE4 7EP), 27-29 OCT 9-3PM

£19 per day **BOOK NOW!**

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YDP Cheerleading

NEW! Y.D.P. cheerleading

@ Stanground Sports Centre (PE7 3BW)

EVERY Thursday (starting 6th November)

Join our exciting new sessions which introduce children to Cheerleading and gain a basic level and understanding of the sport. Cheerleading is a mix of gymnastics, stunting and dance and doesn't involve PomPoms. Each week we will work on a routine and learning new skills.

Split into 2 Age Groups for all abilities:
 5-6pm: KS1 (EYFS-Yr2)
 6-7pm: School Year 3-11

BOOK NOW!
 £30 for 6 sessions



Sessions led by our BGU Cheer Qualified Coach Georgia

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YDP Football

Y.D.P. FOOTBALL CAMPS

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at City of Peterborough Academy (PE1 5LQ)

MON 27TH & TUES 28TH OCTOBER

10-2PM EACH DAY

This camp is for Year 1 - Year 8 Elite Footballers wanting to improve their skills. Qualified FA coaches will work with the children to learn new skills and work on all aspects of the beautiful game. Your child will need Astros and shin pads.

£19 PER DAY **BOOK NOW!**

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Unifrog

Unifrog is a universal destinations platform to provide students with impartial careers guidance and support their applications for post-school options, including university, apprenticeships, and work experience.

