

# ST JOSEPH'S NEWS

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#### HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents/ Carers

It is starting to feel very much like Christmas around the College. Wednesday December 7th is Christmas dinner day for students. Students wanting to purchase it should ensure they have £3.50 on their Parent Pay. It will be provided for all Free School Meal students who wish to have it and we look forward to celebrating this event with our students. Our Advent Appeal is now in action, and we are thankful for the donations we have already received. Further donations are greatly appreciated and will make a significant difference to all those using Lambeth Foodbanks this Christmas. Further information of what can be donated can be found later in the newsletter. Students should bring items to the English Office.

It is an exciting time for our Friends of St Joseph's Committee who have now launched their Christmas raffle. Again, further information is included in the newsletter, and we encourage parents/ carers to take part and purchase tickets to have a chance to win one of the fantastic prizes on offer. The number of local organisations who have donated prizes is a reminder of the special, thoughtful community we live and work in. The final draw will take place at the end of the Carol Service, which all parents and students are invited to, on Wednesday December 14th at 5.20pm in the Chapel.

This week the House Team led a Maths Challenge in which all Houses participated with great enthusiasm and excitement. Well done to all the students who took part and congratulations to Grange House who performed very strongly across all three age categories. There have also been some trips this week with the Art department enjoying a visit to Tate Modern with 40 aspiring artists. Students in Year 10 also had the opportunity to visit a Law firm to find out what it is like to work in the legal field. Next week Thursday the College is delivering a PSHE morning for all students and Year 8 will also have their first College Mass of the academic year. We also look forward to speaking to Year 13 parents at Parents' Evening on Tuesday December 6th. Year 11 parents/ carers will have received communication about Parents' Evening taking place on December 13th- I encourage all parents/ carers to ensure they book appointments as this is such a critical year in their son's education.

Have a restful weekend.

God Bless,

Mrs C Kane





#### **Carol service**

The St Joseph's Carol Service returns to the school chapel on 14th December. This will be the first time that the school has hosted a carol service since 2019 and it promises to be a fantastic evening. Everyone is welcome.

#### **Advent Appeal**

This year SJC wil be working with Lambeth Foodbanks Partnership to help provide food, clothing and essentials for those who need it most. We would be very grateful for any of these items on the poster.



Please take any donations to the English Office

# Trips and Events

#### **Tate Art Trip**

This week several of our students went on a fascinating trip to the Tate modern. This was a wonderful opportunity for the boys to see the works that they had studied in class and a hugely enjoyable time was had by all.







#### **Science Update**

Year 12 Double Applied Scientists have started their next unit. The chemistry topic we are studying at the moment is about measuring energy changes in chemical reactions so we have been completing lots of practical to collect data followed up with complex calculations to determine the energy change.



#### **Model United Nations**

This Week our Model United Nation's club was back in full swing with our delegates battling over the issue of Self-Determination. The delegate from the Russian Federation was met with many Points of Information from the Islamic Republic of Iran mentioning the issues surrounding the current situation in the Ukraine. Well done to all involved!



# EXTRA CURRICULAR TIMETABLE

Day	Morning	Break	Lunchtime I	Lunchtime 2	After School
Monday	Y7-9 Basketball	Y7-13 Well-being Club	Y7,10 and 11 Well-being Club	Y8 and 9 Well-being Club	Y7 STEM Club (October – Christmas and
	Sports Hall	L504	LS04	Week 1 only	February – Easter)
				L504	SC04
			Y11 Chelsea FC Futsal		
			Sports Hall	Y8, 9 Band Practice Week 1	Y7-9 Creative Writing Club (From
				MU01	21/11/22)
					N25
				Y12 Sport Masterclass Programme	
				(Week 2)	Y12 Sport Masterclass Programme (Week
				LRC2/V002	1)
					LRC2/V002
					Y11 Chelsea FC Futsal
					Sports Hall
Tuesday	Y10-11Basketball	Y7-13 Well-being Club	Y7,10 and 11 Well-being Club	Y8 and 9 Well-being Club	Y10-13 Art Catch-Up
,	Sports Hall	Week 2 only	L504	L504	H12/13
		LS04			
			Y7,10 and 11 Band Practice Week 2	Y8 and 9 Beginners' German Club	
			MU01	MFL (1.00-1.30pm)	Y7-9 Basketball (Week 1)
				516	Sports Hall
			Y7,10 and 11 Beginners' German		
			Club MFL (1.00-1.30pm)		Y12-13 and elite Y11 Chelsea FC Futsal
			516		(Week 2)
			310		Sports Hall
			Y7,10 and 11 Scrabble Club		3501211311
			N14		
			1124		
			Y7,10 and 11 Model United Nations		
			(Week 1)		
			LSO2		
			Y7,10 and 11 SJC Christian Union		
			(Week 1)		
			513		
			Y12-13 and elite Y11 Chelsea FC		
			Futsal		
			Sports Hall		
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Wednesday		Y7-13 Music Open	Y7,10,11 Well-being Club	Y8 and 9 Well-being Club	Y10-13 Art Catch-Up
		House	L504	LS04	H12/13
		H02			
			Y7-13 Pokémon club	Y8 and 9 Mandarin Speaking Club	Y7-11 Drama Club
		Y10 and 11 Mandarin	514	(1.00-1.30pm)	H01
		Speaking Club		516	
		516	Y7 Mandarin Speaking Club (1.00-		Y7-13 Philosophy and Film Club
			1.30pm)	Y8 and 9 SJC Christian Union	S13
		Y7-13 Well-being Club	516	(Week 1)	
		Week 1 only		513	Y7-9 Football training
		LSO4			Fields
					Y9-10 Football Training
					Meadows
Thursday	Y7-13 Handball	Y7-13 Well-being Club	Y7,10 and 11 Well-being Club	Y8 and 9 Well-being Club	Y7-9 Fantasy Football League
	Sports Hall	Week 2 only	L504	Week 1 only	513
		LS04		L504	
			Year 11Chelsea FC Futsal		Y7-9 MFL Quiz Time
			Sports Hall		S04 and Virtual
					Y7-13 Chess Club
					NO2
					Y7-9 Rugby Squad Training
					Meadow
					Y10-11 Gym Club
					Fitness Suite
					Y11 Chelsea FC Futsal
					Sports Hall
Friday	Y7-10 Swimming	Y7-13 Well-being Club	Y7,10 and 11 Well-being Club	Y8 and 9 Well-being Club	Y7 and 12 Peter Jones Club
	Club	LS04	L504	LS04	H21/22
	Pool				
			Y7,10 and 11 Singing Club	Y8,9,12 and 13 Scrabble Club	
			MU01	N14	
			Y7,10 and 11 Model United Nations		
			(Week 2)		
			LS02		

It is officially postponing season and unfortunately three games were cancelled this week. However we were still able to have four different events.

#### **Indoor Athletics**

This week, we took our Year 8s (Monday) and our Year 7s (Thursday) to the annual Croydon District Indoor Athletics Meet. We were met with some fierce competition, but our boys held their own and they all did really well, particularly in the obstacle relay! Year 8 finished 6th, while Year 7 finished 5th. A great effort and well done to all competitors.



Our Year 7s had their first basketball game ever on Tuesday, and what a game to kick off their season. A local derby against Harris South Norwood. We lost the game 20-10. We did quite well, however we do need some shooting practice! A great starting point for us to build on, well done boys.

#### **Table Tennis**

On Thursday, we also held our Year 9 and Year 10 Table Tennis House Competition. Well done to all competitors. Year 9 Beulah (Muhammad Zoirov) and Year 10 Netherton (Omar Lawang) the winners in their respected competitions. We also held a mega final between the two, which Omar won 11-3.









#### Fixtures next week

Date	Fixture	Expected arrival back at SJC
05/12/2022	U14 Football vs Woodcote (A)  – Croydon League	5pm
06/12/2022	U16 Football vs Ashcroft High (A) – ESFA Round 4	7pm
06/12/2022	U16 Basketball vs Archbishop (H) Tenisons	@ SJC
07/12/2022	U13 Rugby vs Cedars (A)	

# PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION

#### **Parent Teacher Association**

This month, we have put together a Parent Teacher Association called 'Friends of St Joseph's college'. Our aim is to enrich, enhance and improve student learning and we look forward to putting on lots of amazing events over the coming year.

If you would like to be a part of the team, then please email Miss Diamond (zdiamond@sjc.ac)



A happy customer at our PTA doughnut sale!

#### **School Raffle**

Students will need to take a raffle book and sell to family members. A book is £5 or single tickets are £1.

An email will be sent to parents today to let them know about the raffle. The raffle will be drawn at a Carol service on the 14th December.

The student who raises the most amount of money will also win £50 in cash!

# House News

#### **Maths Challenge**

Wednesday saw the return of the annual house Maths Challenge! This was a fantastic event, well done to Grange who won overall and achieved a whopping 100% in the year 11 and 12 competition.





#### Year 7 & 8

1st place – Brooklands Joint 2nd – Netherton & Grange

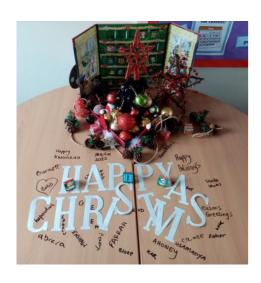
#### Year 9 & 10

1st place – Grange 2nd place Netherton Joint 3rd – Dane & Hill

#### Year 11 & 12

1st place – – Grange. 2nd place – Beulah 3rd place – Brooklands.

# FURTHER INFORMATION



# Year 8 Christmas Decorations

It's great to celebrate Christmas with our year 8s. They are all very excited to drink hot chocolate & marshmallows again this year.



Ms Clarke & Mr Farrah

#### **Free School Meals**

In these difficult financial times, your child may be eligible for Free School Meals. This is also for students in the 6th form, you can check if you are eligible at the following website: FSM Eligibility Checker

### GCSE PODS

Well done to the top achievers on GCSE POD this week!

Year 10

1 Noel Sitsi 2 Michael Oyeneye 3 Daniel Keane Year 11

1 Corey Tomlinson 2 Jelani Okonkwo 3 Jeremy Allotey-Babington

# **UPCOMING DATES**

**Tuesday - 06/12/22** Year 13 Virtual Parents evening

**Wednesday - 07/12/22** School Christmas Dinner

**Tuesday - 13/12/22**Year 11 Virtual Parents evening

