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HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents/ Carers

It has been a quieter week at the College this week with many students working remotely on Wednesday and Thursday. We thank all parents who participated in Year 12 Parents' Evening on Tuesday- it was great to see such a high turnout and we hope that parents found the guidance provided useful in supporting their son or daughter.

Wednesday saw Year 11 undertake a Walking Talking Mock in Maths as well as completing independent study. The focus and maturity of students was exemplary. Next week students will receive their PPE results. We know this waiting time can be an anxious time for students and we wish them luck.

A reminder to Year 10 parents that a Work Experience Information Evening is taking place (remotely) on Tuesday at 5.30pm. The link will be shared with parents via email. This is the first time in many years that the College has run Work Experience for Year 10 students and we strongly believe it will support students in developing work related skills as well as increase their awareness of the working world.

Today the Friends of St Joseph's (PTA) held a Cake Sale after school. Thank you to all the parents that supported this fundraising event and to the students who purchased a cake. Tickets are still on sale for the Quiz Night on April 28th. We encourage all parents and students to support this event and buy a ticket.

This Sunday is the Feast of Saint Joseph. It is a very special day for the College, and it will be celebrated with students in Chapel assemblies. We continue our prayers asking for his intercession to keep our hearts, bodies, and minds pure.

God Bless

Mrs C Kane

As it has been in the News, pupils have been asking me about the Church's views on migrants and refugees. I am reminded of the pregnant Mary, Mother of Jesus, unable to find a room to give birth to our Lord and Saviour and further, the Holy Family, fleeing Bethlehem and journeying to Egypt, as refugees.

The Catholic Bishops of England and Wales have written a response to migrants and refugees. This is titled, 'Love the stranger'. It can be found [here](#)

Prayer for Migrants and Refugees

Lord Jesus, when you multiplied the loaves and fishes, you provided more than food for the body, you offered us the gift of yourself, the gift which satisfies every hunger and quenches every thirst! Your disciples were filled with fear and doubt, but you poured out your love and compassion on the migrant crowd, welcoming them as brothers and sisters.

Lord Jesus, today you call us to welcome the members of God's family who come to our land to escape oppression, poverty, persecution, violence, and war. Like your disciples, we too are filled with fear and doubt and even suspicion. We build barriers in our hearts and in our minds.

Lord Jesus, help us by your grace,

- To banish fear from our hearts, that we may embrace each of your children as our own brother and sister;
- To welcome migrants and refugees with joy and generosity, while responding to their many needs;
- To realize that you call all people to your holy mountain to learn the ways of peace and justice;
- To share of our abundance as you spread a banquet before us;
- To give witness to your love for all people, as we celebrate the many gifts they bring.

We praise you and give you thanks for the family you have called together from so many people. We see in this human family a reflection of the divine unity of the one Most Holy Trinity in whom we make our prayer: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Amen.

LOVE THE STRANGER

A Catholic Response to Migrants and Refugees

There are currently lots of exciting developments within the Careers department at SJC.

Year 10 Work Experience

As part of their careers programme year 10 will be doing two days work experience on the 12th and 13th July. This is an opportunity for them to find out more about the world of work, it will help them develop their transferable skills and may help them decide on a pathway after year 11.

If you would like to host a year 10 student for work experience please email our careers lead at rcashmore@sjc.ac

We will do our best to support but most students will be expected to find their own places, in fact most companies prefer to hear directly from the young person. Competition for placements is strong and we strongly recommend that you start looking as early as possible. Students will get knock backs but they need to persevere!

Students can think about jobs they would like to do in the future, if they want to be a dentist they should write to local dental practices. Some workplaces will not allow students under 16 or 18 to work there, so students should think about where they can get transferable skills. Students who enjoy History or English can try local libraries, museums and archive collections. Good luck year 10!

Cambridge University trip

11 of our year 12 students attended a taster day at Cambridge University this week. We visited St John's College, one of the larger colleges at Cambridge, and saw where students live, study and socialise.

Our boys enjoyed a Q and A with current students which emphasised the importance of high grades and extra-curricular activities. We also learned about the admissions process and attended a taster lecture.

Thank you to St John's College for such a warm welcome and informative day.



Our excited students

Made in South London - Careers Fair

In partnership with the Jobcentre, the Palace for Life Foundation are hosting a Careers Fair at Selhurst Park Stadium on the 5th of April from 10am to 2pm. It is for ages 16+ and will focus on job opportunities, apprenticeships and training providers.

YEAR 10 SPEECHES

Speakout Competition

Recently we reported on the Speakout workshop for Year 10 students in which they developed their own speeches and learnt public speaking skills. Five students were selected from that workshop to deliver their speeches in front of a Year 8 assembly.

On Tuesday the students spoke in front of the whole of Year 8 on a range of fascinating topics including creativity, the education system and equality for women's football. After much deliberating, Asad Khan was chosen as the student who will represent St Joseph's in the next round of the competition. Well done to everyone involved.



Asad delivering his winning speech

SPANISH NEWS



Congratulations Obinna

Poster Competition

Year 7 pupils took part in a colouring competition where they coloured a poster that will be used to decorate the Spanish library. The winner of this competition is Obinna in Year 7. Congratulations Obinna.

Buen trabajo!

Spanish Quiz

Last week Tutor groups competed in a Spanish quiz. The competition was fierce, with the students fighting for their honour as if they were in the Spanish Armada!

However, the eventual winner was Asad Khan (Y10 Brooklands) with 10871 points, closely followed by Kaleem Warren (Y9 Beulah) with 9641 points, and Isaac Sackey (Y9 Hill) with 9480 points.



The winning podium

Unfortunately this was a disrupted week because of various factors and therefore just the one fixture got played but it was great to see so many Year 7s and 8s at basketball training afterschool, as well as our inclusive basketball clubs before school!

Football

Our one match was a huge success, our U16 team celebrating victory yet again. This was a convincing 3-0 win at home to Coombe Wood, who are always a difficult side to play. The goal scorers were Aimable Lina, Daniels and Mullings. Well done boys.



Another excellent win

Results

Date	Fixture	Result	Goalscorers	MOM
13/03/2023	U16 Football vs Coombe Wood	3-0	Aimable Lina x 1 Daniels x 1 Mullings x 1	Devis

Fixtures next week

Date	Fixture	Expected Arrival back at SJC
20/03/2023	Chelsea 11 aside sixth form college tournament @ Cobham (A)	5pm
20/03/2023	U15 Football vs HACP - Croydon League (H)	3pm KO at SJC
22/03/2023	U15 Football vs Coombe Wood - Croydon League (A)	5pm
22/03/2023	Chelsea Futsal vs United Colleges - AOC League (H)	1pm KO at SJC
23/03/2023	Sixth Form girls vs Coloma - Netball (A)	5pm

EXTRA CURRICULAR TIMETABLE

Day	Morning	Break	Lunchtime 1	Lunchtime 2	After School
Monday	Y7-9 Basketball Sports Hall	Y7-13 Well-being Club LS04	Y7,10 and 11 Well-being Club LS04 Y11 Chelsea FC Futsal Sports Hall	Y8 and 9 Well-being Club Week 1 only LS04 Y8, 9 Band Practice Week 1 MU01 Y12 Sport Masterclass Programme (Week 2) LRC2/V002	Y7 STEM Club (October – Christmas and February – Easter) SC04 Y7-9 Creative Writing Club N25 Y12 Sport Masterclass Programme (Week 1) LRC2/V002 Y11 Chelsea FC Futsal Sports Hall
Tuesday	Y10-11 Basketball Sports Hall	Y7-13 Well-being Club Week 2 only LS04	Y7,10 and 11 Well-being Club LS04 Y7,10 and 11 Band Practice Week 2 MU01 Y7,10 and 11 Beginners' German Club MFL (1.00-1.30pm) S16 Y7,10 and 11 Scrabble Club N14 Y7,10 and 11 Model United Nations (Week 1) LS02 Y7,10 and 11 SJC Christian Union (Week 1) S13 Y12-13 and elite Y11 Chelsea FC Futsal Sports Hall	Y8 and 9 Well-being Club LS04 Y8 and 9 Beginners' German Club MFL (1.00-1.30pm) S16	Y10-13 Art Catch-Up H12/13 Y7-9 Basketball (Week 1) Sports Hall Y12-13 and elite Y11 Chelsea FC Futsal (Week 2) Sports Hall Y7-10 Debate mate S14
Wednesday		Y7-13 Music Open House HD2 Y10 and 11 Mandarin Speaking Club S16 Y7-13 Well-being Club Week 1 only LS04	Y7,10,11 Well-being Club LS04 Y7-13 Pokémon club S14 Y7 Mandarin Speaking Club (1.00- 1.30pm) S16	Y8 and 9 Well-being Club LS04 Y8 and 9 Mandarin Speaking Club (1.00- 1.30pm) S16 Y8 and 9 SJC Christian Union (Week 1) S13	Y10-13 Art Catch-Up H12/13 Y7-11 Drama Club HD1 Y7-13 Philosophy and Film Club S13 Y7-9 Football training Fields Y9-10 Football Training Meadows
Thursday	Y7-13 Handball Sports Hall	Y7-13 Well-being Club Week 2 only LS04	Y7,10 and 11 Well-being Club LS04 Year 11 Chelsea FC Futsal Sports Hall	Y8 and 9 Well-being Club Week 1 only LS04 Code Club S22	Y7-9 Fantasy Football League S13 Y7-9 MFL Quiz Time 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 Club Pool	Y7-13 Well-being Club LS04	Y7,10 and 11 Well-being Club LS04 Y7,10 and 11 Singing Club MU01 Y7,10 and 11 Model United Nations (Week 2) LS02	Y8 and 9 Well-being Club LS04 Y8,9,12 and 13 Scrabble Club N14	Y7 and 12 Peter Jones Club H21/22

The Stars Of Seven

Nelson Smith (Hill) : For keep up his hard work, despite having an injury that has made it hard for him to complete his work.

Shivansh Thakur (Hill) : For getting more involved in school life, especially house competitions

Giorgio Lecca (Netherton): For an outstanding performance in the swimming gala, earning Netherton third place when we only had two students participate!

Thomas Messeret (Grange): always has his full equipment and looking out for the people in his form.

Adam Daureeawo (Grange): excellent reading during reading intervention and a respectful student.

Malachai Davis (Netherton): For always putting himself forward for challenges, being an excellent prayer leader and always enthusiastic in tutor time!

GCSE PODs

Year 10

Year 11

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

1 Othniel Attobrah
2 Michael Oyeneeye
3 Iyasu Alabi

1 Jelani Okonkwo
2 Nissi Israel Quashie-Apeatse
3 Jermain Danso-Adarkwa

UPCOMING DATES

Tuesday 21st March - Year 10 Work Experience information evening - Online

Friday 28th April - PTA Quiz night

