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Dear Parents/ Carers,

This week was the final week at school before the Easter break. We would like to thank all families who have contributed towards our Lent CAFOD Charity Appeal. The money will greatly support those in need.

Inevitably as we approach the end of term, we have to say goodbye to some staff members who are leaving us for pastures new; Mr Quinn and Ms Lalji. We thank them for all they have contributed to St Joseph's College and wish them luck. We also welcome our new Head of PE, Mr Monk and Science Teacher Mr Onyeka. Both join St Joseph's with a wealth of experience. As you will be aware from the letter from the Chair of Governors, I expect to commence maternity leave at the start of May. Whilst Mr Mantillas is Acting Headteacher during this time, Mr Nelson will take on the role of Associate Assistant Headteacher Pastoral. Mr Nelson has worked at the College for the past ten years and is a highly experienced Head of Year with extensive pastoral experience.

Many of our students are entering their last few weeks of study before their GCSE or A Level exams. Elevate attended the school on Thursday to support Year 11 with a Study Skills session- we hope they found the strategies and ideas shared useful. We realise what an intense time this can be for students but want to reiterate all the support that is in place for them through focussed revision sessions and intervention. We know they will do themselves proud and we look forward to seeing many of them on site over Easter for their allocated revision sessions.

Over the past few weeks Heads of Year have celebrated the success of students with Rewards Assemblies. Well done to all those students who received recognition. Year 11 enjoyed a Rewards Trip off site yesterday and post Easter Years 7 to 10 will enjoy theirs.

We hope you have a very happy, peaceful and Holy Easter break with your family and we look forward to seeing you and of course our wonderful students when we return to school on Monday 17th April.

Mrs C Kane

Easter message

The message of Easter remains a message of hope for us all. Though we mourn Jesus' sacrifice on Good Friday, we rejoice at his rising. His resurrection marks the triumph of good over evil, sin and death. It reminds us that Jesus is alive and in our midst and he welcomes us in a new life with him. This event is also a powerful reminder to us all that trusting in God will pull you up even from the depths of despair.

I have been inspired by Pope Francis' recent visit to DR Congo and South Sudan. His journey was one of hope and peace but perhaps more importantly it was a message of unity between Christians denominations. Pope Francis' message in South Sudan is one which is typified within our College. On a daily basis, our students are building bridges and they are open to coming together as Brother and Sisters regardless of background and ability. Our students live the 5 Respect both inside and outside of the College. Their actions are examples which many adults and global governments can learn from!



Pope Francis in South Sudan

Lasallian Awards

Our Lasallian district has created the 'Lasallian Awards 2023'. This is an opportunity for students to showcase how they practise our Lasallian Ethos (5 Respects). As the first Lasallian School in Great Britain, it is important that our students take part in this wholeheartedly; please encourage your child to take part. More information can be found on Satchel One.

Y7-Y11

- If your name is called on the lottery draw, you will receive a small prize for yourself but in addition you will win a prize for entrants of the same category from your school. E.g. this might be a pizza party or some other fun activity in school.
- As always, complete ONE activity from EACH Core Principle to receive a BRONZE AWARD,
- Complete THREE activities from EACH Core Principle to receive a SILVER AWARD
- And complete FIVE activities from EACH Core Principle to receive a GOLD AWARD.
- All entrants will receive a certificate.

KS5 (Sixth Form) The new Platinum Award

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- To qualify for the Platinum Award, you need to complete one activity from each Core Principle. As you will see, the activities are designed to be more in depth and more appropriate for our more senior students in Lasallian Schools and Colleges.
- All entrants will receive a certificate.


LASALLIAN AWARDS

KS5 (Sixth Form) - The new Platinum Award

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Platinum Award




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<p>RESEARCH AND INVESTIGATE LASALLIAN MARTYRS. CREATE A PRESENTATION, IN YOUR CHOSEN FORMAT, WHICH SHARES YOUR RESEARCH (IN YOUR OWN WORDS)</p> <p>WRITE A POEM ABOUT WHAT YOUR FAITH MEANS TO YOU</p> <p>CAPTURE THE JOY OF CREATION OVER 10 DAYS USING PHOTOGRAPHY. CREATE A CAPTION FOR EACH PHOTOGRAPH</p> <p>DESIGN YOUR OWN ACTIVITY</p>	<p>MAKE A 30SECOND VIDEO HIGHLIGHTING THE NEED TO LOOK AFTER OUR WORLD</p> <p>HOLD AN ASSEMBLY (WITH THE HELP OF STAFF OR PEERS) WHICH TALKS ABOUT THE NEED FOR RESPECT IN THE WORLD</p> <p>COMMIT TO AN ACTIVITY FOR 3 WEEKS WHICH LOOKS AFTER THE ENVIRONMENT IN YOUR SCHOOL OR LOCAL COMMUNITY. DOCUMENT THIS</p> <p>DESIGN YOUR OWN ACTIVITY</p>	<p>WRITE A REFLECTION ON WHAT BEING IN A LASALLIAN SCHOOL MEANS TO YOU</p> <p>RUN A LUNCHTIME CLUB FOR YOUNGER YEARS OVER A HALF TERM</p> <p>CREATE A PIECE OF ART OR MUSIC WHICH ILLUSTRATES YOUR RESPONSE TO THE FOLLOWING QUOTE FROM DLS. "YOUNG PEOPLE NEED GOOD TEACHERS LIKE VISIBLE ANGELS."</p> <p>DESIGN YOUR OWN ACTIVITY</p>	<p>ARRANGE WITH YOUR SCHOOL OR COMMUNITY TO DO 2 WEEKS OF VOLUNTARY SERVICE. DOCUMENT THIS USING THE LOG BOOK AND THROUGH PHOTOGRAPHS</p> <p>CHALLENGE YOURSELF TO GO WITHOUT ONE THING THAT YOU LOVE FOR THREE WEEKS</p> <p>ORGANISE A FOODBANK COLLECTION OR PRE LOVED CLOTHES SWAP OR DONATION TO LOCAL CHARITY</p> <p>DESIGN YOUR OWN ACTIVITY</p>	<p>CREATE A SPEECH WHICH CAMPAIGNS AGAINST INEQUALITY FOR EITHER RACISM, GENDER OR LGBTQ+ (OR ANOTHER TOPIC CLOSE TO YOUR HEART)</p> <p>RESEARCH THE DIFFERENT WAYS THAT CHILDREN LEARN AND THE CHALLENGES SOME STUDENTS FACE. WRITE AN ESSAY ON WHAT YOU DISCOVER</p> <p>EXPLORE THE DEFINITION OF EMPATHY. EXPRESS YOUR UNDERSTANDING OF EMPATHY THROUGH ANY CREATIVE MEANS</p> <p>DESIGN YOUR OWN ACTIVITY</p>

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Y7 - Y11 Lasallian Awards

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DESIGN YOUR OWN ACTIVITY	LEARN 5 THINGS ABOUT ANOTHER CULTURE	TEACH A MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY SOMETHING YOU HAVE LEARNT IN SCHOOL TODAY	DONATE SOME CLOTHES/ TOYS YOU HAVE OUTGROWN TO A CHARITY SHOP	DESIGN YOUR OWN ACTIVITY
WRITE A PRAYER (FOR SCHOOLS SOCIAL MEDIA)	WRITE EVERY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY A POSITIVE MESSAGE TWICE IN ONE WEEK	START LEARNING A NEW SKILL AND PRACTISE FOR 2 WEEKS	DESIGN YOUR OWN ACTIVITY	WRITE A LETTER TO SOMEONE WHO LIVES ALONE
LOOK UP THE LIFE OF A SAINT	DESIGN YOUR OWN ACTIVITY	READ THREE ARTICLES IN A NEWSPAPER	WRITE A LETTER TO YOUR LOCAL TD OR MP ABOUT AN ISSUE THAT IS IMPORTANT TO YOU	ORGANISE A FUN DAY OR PLAY A GAME WITH YOUR FAMILY
READ A CHAPTER OF ONE OF THE GOSPELS	PICK-UP LITTER AROUND WHERE YOU LIVE FOR 30 MINUTES	WATCH A DOCUMENTARY	LOOK UP A LOCAL CHARITY AND CREATE A LEAFLET TO POST THROUGH YOUR NEIGHBOURS' DOORS	COMMIT TO NOT USING SINGLE USE PLASTIC FOR A WEEK
CREATE A PIECE OF ARTWORK ON A PSALM OF YOUR CHOICE (THE BOOK OF PSALMS IS IN THE BIBLE)	LEARN 5 PHRASES IN YOUR LOCAL (IRISH OR BRITISH OR MALTESE) SIGN LANGUAGE	DESIGN YOUR OWN ACTIVITY	WRITE 10 HUMAN RIGHTS ACTS THAT NEED TO BE FOLLOWED IF YOU WERE A LEADER OF A COUNTRY	CREATE A POSTER ABOUT THE NEGATIVE IMPACTS OF BULLYING AND HOW TO STOP IT -FOR WINDOW AND SOCIAL MEDIA
CREATE A COMIC STRIP OF A STORY IN THE BIBLE (AT LEAST 6 BOXES)	CREATE A LEAFLET FOR AN ALIEN WHO ARRIVES IN PLANET EARTH EXPLAINING HOW THEY SHOULD BEHAVE	LOOK UP A MAJOR HISTORICAL EVENT AND EXPLAIN HOW IT CHANGED THE WORLD	CONTACT A FRIEND TO SEE HOW THEY ARE DOING AND FIND WAYS TO REMIND THEM OF HOW GREAT THEY ARE	COMPOSE AN ACROSTIC POEM ON WHAT AN INCLUSIVE COMMUNITY SHOULD BE
CREATE A JOB DESCRIPTION FOR THE PERFECT DISCIPLE	WRITE A LETTER OF THANKS TO A LOCAL SERVICE PROVIDER (E.G. HOSPITAL/POLICE/ FIRE SERVICE)	DRAW A PICTURE OF WHAT YOU THINK THE WORLD WILL LOOK LIKE IN 20 YEARS	LOOK UP A LAW THAT YOU THINK IS UNFAIR AND DESCRIBE HOW AND WHY IT SHOULD BE CHANGED	CREATE A LIST OF TIPS FOR YOUNGER STUDENTS TO ACCELERATE THEIR SENSE OF BELONGING IN SCHOOL.
Involvement in external awards			Involvement in Lasallian Competition	

TRIPS AND EVENTS

Birmingham MEP Trip

On Tuesday evening, the Year 10 Mandarin Excellence Programme students set off to Birmingham to take part in the 'Journey to the east - A Voyage of Discovery' with Mr Austin and Mr Dench. And what a journey it was - the event was formally opened by Nick Gibb MP, and then the 1,500 students from around the country were taken on a journey.

We are able to listen to panellists speak about a variety of topics including China and how it's history and how that links to the future, as well as an insightful presentation about Xi Jinping – China's current President.

We took part in panel discussions about studying Mandarin and university and using Mandarin in the world of work. And we listened to lectures about Chinese cartoon and the rise of internet fiction.

The lunch interval provided the students with the opportunity to taste different Chinese foods, and to enjoy calligraphy, tai chi and Chinese music, before settling into our highlight of the event – a concert by our favourite band, Transition, who belted out their greatest hits including 对不起我的中文不好

An amazing trip. The boys were impeccably behaved and presented, and were fantastic ambassadors for St Josephs College.

KPMG Visit

Earlier this week a group of Year 12 students visited KPMG in Canary Wharf. Here is a summary of the day written by Brandon Brown (12 Hill).

On Monday 27th March, KPMG gave a group of SJC sixth formers an opportunity to visit their office in Canary Wharf. The experience, from the second we stepped in, to the moment we left, was absolutely amazing. Firstly, we were given a brief introduction to the company including information regarding work experience and graduate programmes. We then toured the building, where we saw it's interesting architecture, and elite work environment.

After the tour, KPMG hosted a workshop for us which kept us engaged and entertained. The most notable part was about interview skills: first impressions, body language and technique, which made us conscious of our strengths and weaknesses in our performance. Finally, I'd like to thank the staff (Mrs Weinberg and Mrs Cashmore) for their time and effort and St Joseph's College for this opportunity.



Impressive calligraphy



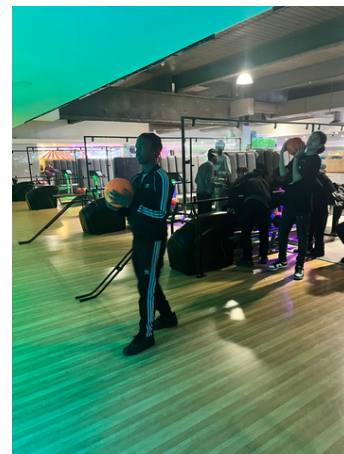
Playing the Pipa

STUDENT REWARDS

Year 11 Rewards Trip

This week has been full of fun and celebration as the top earners in Year 11 were rewarded with an exciting trip to the bowling alley. After bowling, they hit the arcades before finishing up at Mcdonalds. A fantastic day!

After Easter Year 9 and 10 can look forward to a trip to the cinema, Year 8 will go to the climbing wall and Year 7 will visit a local farm.



Bowling fun



Mikhail's Speech

Rewards Assemblies

The end of term is always a joyous time as we celebrate all the students with the most house points in each year. Students are given a certificate and a badge that they can proudly wear on their uniform.

In addition to this, there are also the Tutor awards for those who have impressed Tutors by excelling in one of the five respects. They are rewarded in front of the whole year in the Chapel. Mikhail Hana from 9 Netherton gave a rousing speech when he accepted his award, to much applause from the rest of the year. It was great to see the huge level of celebration and mutual respect in the room.

HEALTH AND SAFETY MORNING

On Tuesday students enjoyed a health and safety morning in their tutor groups. This was an important way of them learning essential skills to help them stay safe. Students had sessions on fraud prevention, cybercrime and responding to emergencies. Later in the day they also participated in a workshop about the dangers of drugs and alcohol.

Thank you for the Daniel Spargo-Mabbs foundation for their powerful workshop on the dangers of drugs and alcohol.



A drug and alcohol workshop

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

It has been a slow week by our standards, as we wind down for the Easter half term. It has been a busy term!

Year 7 Futsal Tournament

The only action of the week, was the hosting of the Year 7 House Futsal Tournament. This was ran by a group of our Year 13 students as part of one of their units on their sport course. The winners were 7 Brooklands. Well done to all competitors, and well done to the Year 13s on a fantastically run event.



A very well organised event

Farewell

As Mrs Kane mentioned, this will be my final term at SJC as I move back up north. I just want to say a massive thank you to all staff who have helped me in some way over my three year stay here and to all of the students who have made this such a great place to work.

GCSE PODs

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

Year 10

- 1 Dylan Ntim
- 2 Michael Oyeneye
- 3 Denis Furculita

Year 11

- 1 Adam Effendi
- 2 Rhys Evans
- 3 Jacob Laurent-Cummins

UPCOMING DATES

Monday 17th April - Students return to school

Friday 28th April - PTA Quiz night

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