



St. Joseph's Catholic & Anglican High School
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Weekly Bulletin ~ Bwletin Wythnosol

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This week's theme for our collective worship was **Judging Others**

This Week's Prayer

Merciful Lord, sometimes we look upon people and judge them
without first getting to know them,
not giving them a chance to show us their true character.
And yet, we feel hurt when people judge us.
Help us to recognise the face of God in everyone we meet,
and when we make mistakes, to acknowledge them,
so that we might receive the grace and forgiveness you so generously give.

Amen

Year 7 Photographs

A quick reminder that **today** is the deadline for online orders
for all Year 7 individual and group photographs from Tempest Photography.



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Calendar Activities

Week commencing 10th October

Yr 9 national numeracy tests in maths lessons

11th October

Ski Information Evening 6pm-7pm

14th October

Whole school Catholic Eucharist [AM]

Week commencing 17th October

Year 10 English Literature
non-examination assessment during lessons

17th October

Year 11 mock examination timetable
and revision lists will be distributed

Iceland Information Evening 5.45pm-6.45pm

19th October

Year 9 Option self-evaluation booklets
will be distributed

21st October

Year 11 maths NBH revision trip
departs 1.30pm [returns 23rd Oct]

25th October

Suspended timetable Day
Year 7 – Wellbeing Year 8 – PE
Year 9 – English Year 10 – Study Skills
Year 11 – Numeracy

26th October

Year 10 *Blood Brothers* Trip

27th October

Year 11 Drama *Blood Brothers* Trip

28th October

Year 11 Fundraising Day
[non-uniform for all pupils - £1 donation]
School closes at 3.30pm [re-opens 7th Nov]

Pupil Absence

If your child is too poorly to attend school, it is important that school is made aware of the absence before 9am.

Please telephone 01978 360310 or email
attendancep6@hwbcymru.net

as we appreciate the phone lines can be busy
in the mornings.

Study Plus

Study Plus is an initiative that allows pupils to carry out private study in a quiet, supervised classroom in school during lunchtime and / or after school.

Pupils will have access to computers with internet and printing facilities which is ideal for finishing any outstanding projects, coursework or homework that they have been set and any research they may be unable to do at home.

Study Plus is now up and running and takes place at lunch time between 12:25pm-1:20pm and after school 3:30pm-4:30pm Monday to Friday. Key Stage 3 are located in GG2 and Key Stage 4 in MA4.

Here's what has been happening across the year groups

Year 7

The theme for our prayers this week is Judging Others and every week our pupils take part in Morning Prayer. Here are two beautiful prayers.

“Dear Lord, Help us to be kind to one another and help us not to be judgemental. Allow us to be the best that we can. If we judge people, we should all be kind and we should not hurt anyone. Amen” Freya and Eva 7 Romero

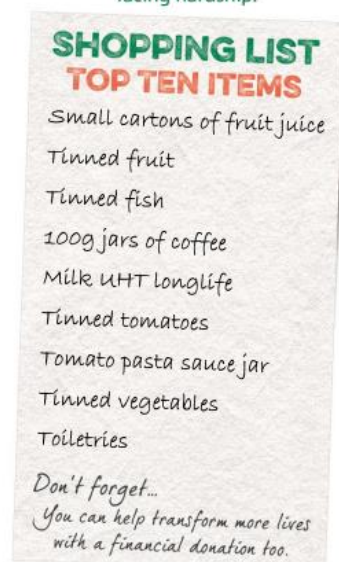
“All knowing God, help me to not judge others. I am quick to judge others based on appearances or situations. Help me to have more a compassionate heart. Place in my mind the thoughts of caring. Give me the heart of service, not of a sceptic. Amen” Rebecca and Bethan 7 Cassidy

Year 7 is full of talent and this week Bethan B from 7 Cassidy played football for Brymbo Lodge and was awarded player of the match. Natalie W from 7 Cassidy displayed her fantastic swimming skills in a gala in Birmingham and achieved 2 personal bests in 50m butterfly and front crawl! On Thursday, Year 7 mixed football team played against Clywedog at home and won 4-2! Da iawn blant!

Next week, we are celebrating Harvest and are collecting items for Wrexham Food Bank. We ask that all pupils, where possible, bring an item that's on the Food Bank shopping list so that we can help to support our community during these difficult times.

Mrs Roberts-Thompson

Help by donating an item or two from our shopping list to support people facing hardship.



Year 8

A reminder about the importance of attendance. This is vital for all pupils to maximise their potential at St Joseph's.

Please take advantage of all the extra-curricular activities on offer at school. The PE Department have organised an extensive sporting programme that all pupils could participate in. Many thanks to all staff involved.

A huge thank you to Mrs Williams and 8 Cassidy for preparing and delivering a lovely assembly on the theme of judging others.

Many thanks to all pupils who contributed to and participated in the Hunger Lunch today.

Mrs J Taylor

Year 9

Well done to Hatty R for her commitment and achievements in netball. Hatty has been selected for various netball squads including Cheshire County Under 15 and Wales Regional Under 21 as well as the Wrexham County Schools' squad, and her commitment is a real example for those who wish to pursue a career in sports.

Well done also to Leo F and Louisa R in Cassidy who have been chosen to speak to Associate Teachers who are beginning their teaching careers.

This week's theme is Judging Others and thank you to Mrs Moate, Ianto and 9 Cassidy for their excellent and thought provoking assembly on Wednesday.

Mrs James

Year 10

This week 10 Cassidy lead a very thought provoking assembly on the theme of 'Judging Others.' Diolch yn fawr, to all those who were involved reading, acting, playing the piano and providing technical support, Samantha, Abigail, Eva Thomas, Cordi, Eleri, Magdalena, Daniel, Marco, and Nadia.

Congratulations to our talented Netball players for successfully being selected for the U16 Wrexham county team and the Seven Stars Academy Squad. Good Luck!

Please support our Family Fast Day this Friday 7th October, £1 for soup and bread. All proceeds will go to CAFOD. Join in and make a difference to others!

Please JOIN the Google classroom set up by Mrs Lloyd, your learning Coach, the Code is **ue2l5h2**. Lots of information will be posted here over the next two years concerning study skills, Career, Sixth form Open evenings etc.

The Wellbeing Day this week was a simply brilliant. A range of topics were delivered by a team of outside speakers and the RE department. Thank you to Hafan Cymru for your session on exploitation, the Young Carers team and Lucy Thomas for her workshop on 'Coping with Stress'.

Mrs Greenhalgh

Last Friday 30th September **Year 11** had their Health Day in which they were able to take part in a variety of sessions that included the dangers of gambling and the stages of abuse. Each session was interactive and gave Year 11 the chance to explore and discuss difficult issues in a safe environment. It was a pleasure to share the day with them and see them engaging with each topic.

Congratulations to Olivia who has been selected to join the Welsh Netball Squad. This is a fantastic achievement. Da iawn Olivia!

A date for the diary! Even though this is a long way off yet the Year 11 Prom will take place on Thursday, 6th July 2023 at The Grosvenor Hotel, Pulford.

Mrs M Davies

Attendance Matters

This week's whole school attendance is **95.8%** which is just below our stretch target of 96.5%.

Year	Cassidy	Devereux	King	Kolbe	Romero	Year Average
7	99.2☺	98.5☺	99.6☺	94.8	100.0☺☺☺	98.4☺
8	98.2	97.3	90.4	97.0☺	95.8	95.7
9	96.7	96.6	96.3	92.9	93.7	95.2
10	93.7	97.6	94.6	92.4	93.9	94.4
11	97.0	94.8	94.3	95.3	94.7	95.2
Family Average	97.0	97.0	95.0	94.5	95.6	

School Asthma Card

Pupils have been advised that if they have been diagnosed with asthma they must collect a school asthma card from reception to give to parents / carers to complete. Once completed and signed the form must be returned to reception **no later than Friday, 14th October.**

This card will then be held by the school. It should be reviewed once a year and updated or exchanged for a new one if your child's treatment changes during the year.

Please ensure medicines and inhalers have the pharmacy label attached showing the child's name and dosage and hand to reception.

Service Children and Families

Welsh Government regularly ask us to update our register of 'service children' in order to ensure that they receive any information and support that may be relevant to them.

A 'service child' is defined as:

Definition 1 (Welsh Government definition)

A 'Service child' has parent(s) – or person(s) with exercising parental responsibility – who is/are Service personnel serving:

- in HM Regular Armed Forces
- in full commitment as part of the full-time Reserve service
- is a veteran who has been in Service within the last two years
- One of their parents died whilst serving in the Armed Forces and the pupil receives a pension under the Armed Forces Compensation Scheme or the War Pensions Scheme.

Definition 2

A person whose parent, or carer, serves in the regular armed forces, or as a reservist, or has done at any point during the first 25 years of that person's life. *and does not meet the criteria of definition 1.

If your child meets either of the definitions above, please log into *Edulink* and navigate to the menu button 'Forms' and complete the online Children of Service Personnel form. Please respond as soon as possible and no later than 31st October 2022.

Further information is available from 'SSCE Cymru' who exist to provide the best possible educational support to Service children in Wales. SSCE Cymru works collaboratively with organisations across the UK to build an evidence base that impacts policy and systems. They also provides a suite of resources to support education professionals and Service families across Wales, including toolkits and tool, good practice examples, newsletters, funding guidance and a directory of support. For further information visit www.SSCECymru.co.uk

Lost Property

After five weeks in school we are already building up a collection of lost property. Please ensure all clothing and items have the child's name on them. Named clothing and items always find their way to their owner!

Please encourage your child to take responsibility for looking after clothing and items, and also to trace them if they are lost. In the majority of cases, it is just a matter of re-tracing steps. Thank you for your support.



IGD Employability Skills virtual workshops

This free webinar gives all students from years 7-13 the opportunity to learn about key employability skills, meet industry professionals and gain insight into the variety of job roles available within the industry.

This term there will be experts joining us from big name companies such as **Tesco, Compass, Booker, Premier Foods** and **Aldi** with job roles including Store Manager, Agriculture Manager, Technical Manager For Biscuits, Store Manager, Agriculture Manager and Head of Product.

We currently have spaces on

Wednesday 12th October at 10.30am

Wednesday 12th October at 1.30pm

Thursday 13th October at 10.30am

Thursday 13th October at 1.30pm

Thursday 20th October at 1.30pm

Other dates are also available if you follow the link.

Please click [this link](#) or the blue button on the flyer below to select a date and book your place



Fast Forward Gambling Education Toolkit

This toolkit provides information and resources to support addressing the topic of youth *gambling* and problem *gambling*.

[Free gambling toolkit](#)

The Young Gamers and Gamblers Education Trust (YGAM) is an award-winning charity with a social purpose to inform, educate, and safeguard young people against gaming and gambling harms.



Workshops and Programmes

Through our portfolio of education programmes, we provide **free** training and resources for teachers, parents, youth workers, practitioners, universities, faith leaders and health professionals. This training equips them with the knowledge, resources and confidence to deliver the programmes directly to young people.

[Book A Workshop](#)