



St. Joseph's Catholic & Anglican High School
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Weekly Bulletin ~ Bwletin Wythnosol Spring Term ~ 3rd February 2023



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This week's theme for our collective worship was **Justice**

This Week's Prayer

*Almighty God, who created us in your image:
Grant us grace fearlessly to contend against evil
and to make no peace with oppression;
and, that we may reverently use our freedom,
help us to employ it in the maintenance of justice
in our communities and among the nations,
to the glory of your holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives
and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.*

Amen

School Photographs Years 8-11

Sample photographs have been distributed to pupils today. Please place orders online by

Wednesday, 15th February



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Calendar Activities

6 February

Year 9 Parents / Carers Evening
3.45pm-6.30pm

7 – 10 February

Year 10 Soli Retreat

7 February

Year 8 Maths Trip Information Evening
5pm-6pm

8th February

Year 10 Science Live Trip

9th February

Iceland trip departs 6.30am

14th February

Year 9 Options Interviews for pupils

Year 10 Mock Timetable
and Revision List distributed

17th February

School closes at 3.30pm

27th February

School opens to pupils

28th February

Suspended timetable for Years 7-11

6th March

Year 7 Parents / Carers Evening
3.45pm-6.30pm

9th March

Year 10 Skills Challenge - Community

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
attendance6@hwbcymru.net

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

Together Creating Community

Do you want to make a difference in your community?

Then join the TCC club!

TCC (Together Creating Community) is an organisation that uses community organising to empower people to effect change in their local area.

In the past, groups have gotten a homeless shelter put in Wrexham and made Wales the first Fairtrade country, and pupils from St. Joseph's have gotten a defibrillator put in the school and have campaigned for a living wage and to reduce the use of plastics.

Come join us on **Mondays from 12:30-1pm in RE3** to work on the issues that matter to you.

Rev Lara Stroud

Here's what has been happening across the year groups

Year 7

The theme for our prayers this week is "Justice" and every week our pupils take part in Morning Prayer. Here are 2 thoughtful prayers written by Rebecca and Bethan 7 Cassidy and Jakub, Oskar and Eden in 7 King:

*"Grant us, Lord God,
A vision of your world as your love would have it:
a world where the weak are protected, and none go hungry or poor;
a world where the riches of creation are shared, and everyone can enjoy them;
a world where different races and cultures live in harmony and mutual respect;
a world where peace is built with justice, and justice is guided by love.
Give us the inspiration and courage to build it, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen"*

*"O God, the King of righteousness,
lead us in the ways of justice and peace, inspire us to break down all tyranny and oppression,
to gain for every person what is due to them. May each live for all and all care for each. Amen"*

Rebecca and Bethan 7 Cassidy

*"Arouse in the hearts of those who call you Father,
a hunger and thirst for social justice and for fraternal charity in deeds and faith.
Grant, O Lord, peace in our days, peace to souls, peace to our community and peace among nations. Amen"*

Jakub, Oskar and Eden 7 King

Mrs Roberts-Thompson

Year 8

Many thanks to 8 Kolbe who prepared and delivered a lovely assembly on the theme of justice.

A reminder about the importance for good attendance.

Over the next few weeks we will be organising reward events for pupils with good attendance.

Miss J Taylor

Year 9

Year 9 have received their option lines today so will be thinking hard about the subjects that they wish to take at GCSE level (a copy of this has been posted on the Noticeboard section of Edulink).

Their options interviews with myself and our Senior Leadership Team will take place in school on February 14th so all pupils must have their options booklets signed by their teachers ready to bring to their interview.

This is an exciting time for Year 9 and it's good to see the enthusiasm that this has created within the year group.

Mrs James

Year 10

Some of our Year 10 artists attended the Art residential at the Conway Centre on Anglesey last weekend. This was a fantastic opportunity to participate in workshops that will have a direct impact on their GCSE! Thanks to Mrs Taylor and Mr Farrell for this opportunity.

Next week provides further opportunities for extra-curricular enrichment with opportunities for pupils to attend either the Soli House retreat, GCSE Science live, or head to Iceland – we look forward to hearing about these next week!

Year 11

This week, sixty-nine pupils had the chance to go and watch the production 'Hitler on Trial'. This was a great opportunity for our pupils who are studying History and Drama. As always the behaviour of the pupils was excellent. Well done Year 11.

Important Notice: Welsh Baccalaureate Deadline

The submission date for the individual projects is **Monday 6th February**.

All projects **MUST BE** completed and uploaded by this date.

Mrs Davies

Pre-loved School jumpers

We now have a good selection of sizes available in our pre-loved school jumpers which are laundered and packed for anyone wishing to take advantage of these unclaimed items of uniform. These are available free of charge to anyone who would like to replace their child's jumper. If you wish to make a small donation to our school's charitable fund raising that would be warmly accepted but is by no means expected. Please call school on 01978 360310 or e-mail, mailbox@st-joseph.wrexham.sch.uk with the size that you would like.

With this in mind, if anyone has any good quality school jumpers or PE tops that their child has grown out of and would like to donate to our pre-loved supply, this would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you.

Mrs James

4 weeks to go!!

There will be a range of special activities celebrating World Book Day during lessons and lunch time as well as the annual 'Best Costume Competition' so start planning your costumes!

World book day 2023

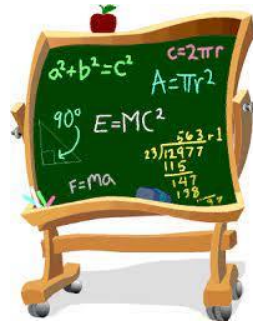
Thursday 2nd March

"I do believe something very magical can happen when you read a good book."

J.K. Rowling



Year 11 Maths Tuition



Year 11 tuition will be available via Mr Donlon's extra maths podcast on a Tuesday night. Intermediate level is 6pm and Higher Level is 6:30pm. Foundation can join Intermediate at 6pm.

You will be able to find the link on your google classroom area and be able to log on 5 minutes before the start time.

Attendance Matters

This week's whole school attendance is **94.2%** which is just below our stretch target of 96.5%.

Year	Cassidy	Devereux	King	Kolbe	Romero	Year Average
7	96.7	98.0 ☺	98.5 ☺	96.2	95.2	96.9 ☺
8	90.0	96.9	92.7	92.9	94.8	93.5
9	97.4	90.0	94.4	93.7	92.7	93.6
10	88.9	91.3	94.1	89.3	88.5	90.4
11	97.8 ☺	88.5	88.9	85.0	92.6	90.6
Family Average	94.2	92.9	93.7	91.4	92.8	

PE Update

The u15 boys football team played the North East Wales Final of the Welsh Cup last week against Prestatyn. The game was played at an incredible intensity with both teams leaving the pitch exhausted. St Joseph's had the better of the early exchange and looked like they would take the lead at any time before a sucker punch breakaway goal for Prestatyn put the visitors 1-0 up. St Joseph's responded well, again creating chances before a mix up in their own defence led to Prestatyn taking a 2-0 lead into half time.

As is the way with this u15 team, they never gave up and got back into the game with a Cole B penalty. The game ebbed and flowed with both teams going close, goalkeeper Callum R making some excellent saves. With a place in the National rounds on the line tempers began to fray with the opposition players receiving bookings and in the last minute it looked as if St Joseph's would take it to penalties after Oliver K was inches away in connecting with an excellent cross from Cole after a superb driving run.

I'm really proud of the conduct, determination and attitude of this team through this cup run. Well done everyone.

Mr McComb

With **Safer Internet Day 2023** taking place on **Tuesday, 7th February**
here are a few E-Safety Parent Guides:-

[A Guide to Social Media Apps and their Age Ratings](#)

[TikTok - What Parents Need to Know](#)

[Loot Boxes - What Parents Need to Know](#)

LIBRARY OPENING TIMES

Before School: 8:30-8:50

Break Time: 10:10-10:25

Lunch Time: 12:25-13:30

After School (Mon-Thurs):

15:30-16:30

OPEN



Join the Library Google Classroom: [k5bj3ef](#)

St Joseph's Catholic & Anglican High School Library

BIBLE STUDY CLUB

WITH

Rev. Lara

Every Monday
3.30 PM - 4.30pm

In the Library



Ask Mrs K James or Rev. Lara for details

Join the Library Google Classroom: [k5bj3ef](https://classroom.google.com/join/k5bj3ef)