



St. Joseph's Catholic & Anglican High School
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Weekly Bulletin ~ Bwletin Wythnosol Spring Term ~ 10th February 2023



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

This Week's Prayer

*Merciful Lord, you are with us at our very best and at our very worst:
In the gospels we read over and over how your Son Jesus has
compassion for those he encounters. We offer gratitude for the ways
you shepherd us through times when we are lost and lonely.
Bless us, Good Shepherd, keep us in your compassionate embrace,
and give us the strength to share your compassion with others.
All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.*

Amen

Have you ordered your Year 8-11 school photographs yet?

A polite reminder that the closing date for **free delivery** back to school is **Sunday 19th February**.
Order through the Tempest website using your unique link or visit www.tempest-orders.co.uk

If you need any assistance in ordering your photographs, feel free to contact Tempest on 01736 751555
(option 3).



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Calendar Activities

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
Year 7 & 8 – Eisteddford
Year 9 – Science Trip to Xplore
Year 10 – Skills Challenge Certificate
Year 11 – Study Skills

2nd March

World Book Day

W/c 6th March

Lenten reconciliation services

6th March

Year 7 Parents / Carers Evening
3.45pm-6.30pm

9th March

Year 10 Skills Challenge - Community

10th March

Year 9 Fundraising Day
[Non-uniform for £1 donation]

W/c 13th March

Year 10 Mock Examinations
[2023 summer sitting]

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.

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 was "Compassion" and this week Miss Ledsham led us in a beautiful assembly. Every week our pupils take part in Morning Prayer. Here are a few thoughtful prayers written by Alfie and Szymon 7 King and Gulcan and Lena 7 Cassidy.

"Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love; according to your great compassion blot out my transgressions. But you, Lord, are a compassionate and gracious God, slow to anger, abounding in love and faithfulness. As a father has compassion on his children, so the Lord has compassion on those who fear him. Amen"

Alfie and Szymon 7 King

"Compassionate God, make us great the way you are great with love for all. Help us find ways to use our many gifts for serve people in need. Bless our energy and enthusiasm for making humankind one family."

Loving father, help me to show compassion to others. When others are down, I want to lift them up. When others are lost, help to share your truth. help me treat others like you have treated me. Amen."

Gulcan and Lena 7 Cassidy

During PSE this week, PC Jane Ellis came to talk to 7 Devereux about the risks of using social media and Sian Griffiths from Hafan Cymru came to talk to Kolbe about the charitable work that they do to support the most vulnerable in our local area.

We have so many sporty pupils at school! This week Dylan D played against Buckley in the NEWFA U12 cup and won! Further afield in Manchester, Oliwia K went skiing with her friends and won the race put on at the Chill Factor! Da iawn chi blant!

Mrs Roberts-Thompson

Year 8

Many thanks to Miss Ledsham for preparing the assembly on the theme of compassion and to Rev Lara for delivering this to Year 8.

A reminder about the importance of good attendance and punctuality. The form competitions have begun for best attendance. Thank you to parents/carers for supporting the school in this.

On 9th February a school party left for an educational visit to Iceland. A number of Year 8 pupils have participated in this trip. We hope they all have a fantastic time. Many thanks to all the staff involved in planning the visit.

Miss J Taylor

Year 9

It's been great to see how enthusiastic and excited Year 9 have been in thinking about their options for GCSE. Next Tuesday will be their interviews where they will have the opportunity to discuss their choices with members of our Senior Leadership Team and myself so all options booklets need to have been signed by at least five teachers, showing that pupils have explored at least five options before making their decisions.

Fund raising is well underway and being taken very seriously by many of our year group. A particular thanks must go to Mrs Harris for the wonderful cakes which were provided and enjoyed by, amongst others, the RE Department!

Mrs James

Year 10

On Wednesday, Mrs Earing and Mrs Moate took 31 Year 10 pupils to the GCSE Live event at Manchester Bridgewater Hall. They saw inspirational talks from scientists including Professor Robert Winston, Professor Jim Al-Khalili and Professor Alice Roberts. The pupils' conduct was excellent throughout and they were an absolute pleasure to spend the day with. Da iawn Blwyddyn 10!

Some Year 10 pupils have spent this week at Soli House Retreat and we look forward to hearing about their stay in next week's bumper edition.

Mrs Greenhalgh

Year 11

Just a reminder that your exams are getting closer, so now is a great time to begin your preparation for revision and check with your teachers that you have all you need.

Make sure you make the most of all the extra revision sessions on offer at lunchtime and after school.

Mrs Davies

Calling all chocoholics...

A charity raffle for 6 chocolate hampers will take place in the social court every lunch time until 3rd March. £1 per ticket or £4 for 5 tickets.

We look forward to seeing you there!

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

3 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



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.

Lost property will be on display in the social court for **pupils** to view on **Wednesday 15th and Thursday 16th February**.

Parents and carers can view lost property on **Wednesday, 15th February** between 3:30pm and 3.45m.



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	95.1	94.4	97.7 ☺	94.3	94.1	95.1
8	98.2	99.2 ☺	98.5	88.2	95.6	95.9
9	98.5	97.8	98.5 ☺	90.0	94.3	95.8
10	93.7	90.5	93.3	92.6	90.0	92.0
11	96.7 ☺	90.0	91.9	89.3	90.9	91.8
Family Average	96.4	94.4	96.0	90.9	93.0	

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

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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

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