

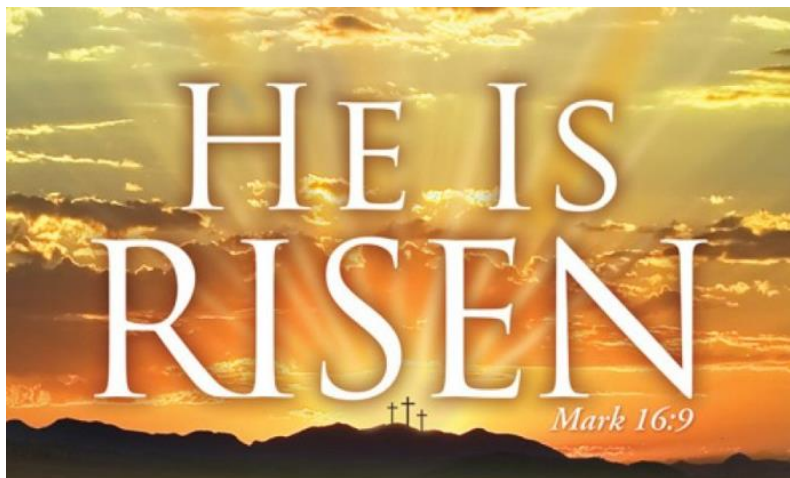


St. Joseph's Catholic & Anglican High School
Ysgol Uwchradd Catholig ac Anglicanaidd Sant Joseff



Weekly Bulletin ~ Bwletin Wythnosol

Summer Term ~ 21st April 2023



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This week's theme for our collective worship was **Resurrection and New Life**

This Week's Prayer

O God, who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son
to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection
delivered us from the power of our enemy:
Grant us so to die daily to sin,
that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his resurrection;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you
and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
Amen

Additional Bank Holiday – Monday 8th May 2023

An additional Bank Holiday has been announced for Monday, 8th May in lieu of the Coronation of King Charles III. Therefore school will be closed on this day.



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Calendar Activities

24th-26th

Year 11 Welsh Oral Examinations [Unit 2]

27th April

Year 8 Exam Timetable and Revision Lists
to be distributed

27 April – 3rd May

Year 11 Art Examination

1st May

May Day Bank Holiday
[School closed]

2nd – 5th May

Year 10 English Literature Unit 2
Mock Examinations

2nd May

Year 9 Retreat Day
[Suspended Timetable]

5th May

Year 11 MFL Oral Examinations

Year 7 Exam Timetable and Revision Lists
to be distributed

*****8th May*****

Bank Holiday [Coronation of King Charles III]

W/c 8th – 19th May

Year 8 Examinations

10th May

[Suspended Timetable Day]

Year 7 – Geography Trip

Year 8 – History Trip

Year 9 – Maths Day

Year 10 – Welsh Day

Year 11 – Service of Celebration Rehearsal

7pm Year 11 Service of Celebration

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

It has been lovely to welcome Year 7 back after the Easter break. I hope that you have all had chance to recharge your batteries ready for our final term.

This term we will be having our Year 7 examinations and hope that you have started to prepare yourself for them. We ask parents to help pupils to prepare for the tests by ensuring that they have a quiet space to revise. Before the Easter holidays, all pupils were given revision lists to help focus their attention on the necessary topics – remember to ask your teachers for help if there are areas that worry you.

During Art lessons this week, pupils have been producing a backdrop on the theme of “Trust the Lord with all your Heart” for the Year 11 Service of Celebration. Each pupil has been asked to produce a zentangle heart in either black/white or in colour – I can't wait to see their contributions.

Mrs Roberts-Thompson

Year 8

Welcome back and I hope everyone has had a lovely Easter holiday.

A reminder about the importance of good attendance.

Pupils in Year 8 will soon be sitting their examinations and will receive a timetable and revision lists next week. The Year 8 examinations are scheduled to take place week beginning 15th May and all pupils should ensure that they are thoroughly prepared.

Miss J Taylor

Year 9

A warm welcome back to Year 9 after our two-week Easter break. I do hope that all our Year 9 families enjoyed some quality time together and that our pupils have returned and are energised to work hard over our summer term in preparation for Year 10.

Some months ago, a group of Year 9s attended Seren sessions called 'Talk The Talk' which is aimed at developing confidence in communication and oracy. All those who attended were commended for their enthusiasm and ability, however, two have been specifically singled out for their contribution and, this week, have been awarded trophies in recognition of their outstanding performances. Well done to Estella and Harrison!

Mrs James

Year 10

100% attendance = Pizza lunch! On the last day of term, a group of pupils with a fantastic 100% attendance for the spring term enjoyed a delicious Pizza lunch. I have never seen so much food disappear so quickly! Diolch, Mr Wilkinson for the treat!

Easter Revision classes for Science, English Literature and Geography were held over the holidays. I am pleased to report that they were really well attended by pupils. Your teachers were very proud of the positive attitude and effort shown during the sessions. This will hopefully be repeated next year, so please keep this in mind when booking holidays. A big thank you also to the staff who ran these sessions for your child's benefit.

GCSE Examinations start on 17th MAY for History, Biology, Physics, Chemistry and English Literature. You should now be in a regular routine of doing revision each evening. Do not forget that STUDY PLUS is available to you each lunchtime and after school for quiet revision time. Ask your teachers for help, use your revision notes and guides given to you. It is time to prioritise your GCSE studies to ensure you are able to do your best.

Wednesday 10th May - Year 10 Revision Day, in school, for all subjects.

Mrs Greenhalgh

Year 11

A big welcome back to all of Year 11, ready for the last couple of months of their time at St Joseph's. Information about exams are on Edulink. All pupils should be making a note of their examination dates and recording them in their planners.

On Wednesday 10th Year 11 will have their Service of Celebration bringing together all that they have achieved over their five years at St Joseph's. There is further information about this on Edulink. Please can I ask that you read the information and complete the pro forma, which needs to be completed by Wednesday 26th April.

Mrs Davies

This is a reminder that Year 11
10-hour art examinations will take place
on the following days:-

11Ar3
27th and 28th April

11Ar2
2nd and 3rd May

Good luck!

Mrs S Taylor



Last half term's STAR READERS...

Congratulations to the following Key Stage 3 pupils for their efforts and achievements with their independent reading and subsequent quizzing last half term (February-April).

Year 7: Nishella A, Megan H

Year 8: Sion O, Carys S

Year 9: Harvey P, Zachary W

A certificate and a prize are heading your way imminently!

This is a reminder that, as part of our whole school reading culture and literacy skills development work, all pupils in the school have access to the MyON digital library and all KS3 pupils should be using the Renaissance site to take quizzes on the books they choose to read and to support their progress with reading for pleasure, for diversity and for challenge.

Mrs Samuels

Study Plus

This is a reminder that Study Plus provides an opportunity for pupils to catch up on homework or revision.

When: Monday to Friday
Lunch 12.25pm-1pm
After school 3.30pm-4.30pm

Where: Key Stage 3 Geography 2 (Mrs Devine's Room)
Key Stage 4 Maths 4 (Mr Tait's Room)

Easter Revision Days - English Department

Many thanks to the Year 10 and Year 11 pupils who attended the English Revision Days for GCSE Literature and GCSE Language. Mrs Hatfield and Mrs Crawford delivered the Literature day to Year 10 pupils, with a focus on all three examination questions. Mrs Samuels and Mrs Hatfield delivered the Language Day to Year 11s and revised a number of the High Tariff Reading Questions.

Good luck to all pupils who are sitting their English examinations in the coming months.

Mrs Sparks

Attendance Matters

This week's whole school attendance is **94.8%** which is just below our stretch target of 96.5%.

Year	Cassidy	Devereux	King	Kolbe	Romero
7	93.4	92.1	97.2☺	93.1	98.0☺
8	96.8☺	91.8	91.6	95.7	99.1☺☺
9	92.4	96.3	91.9	82.2	91.9
10	93.8	94.8	90.9	96.8☺☺	94.1
11	96.7☺	96.2	87.7	95.6	95.8
Family Average	94.6	94.2	91.9	92.7	95.8