



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



## Weekly Bulletin ~ Bwletin Wythnosol

Summer Term ~ 28<sup>th</sup> April 2023

# VOCATION

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

### This Week's Prayer

*God who calls us all to contribute to His Kingdom,  
take our insecurities and vulnerabilities and weave them through with your holy  
confidence, which always reassures us that we have something to offer.*

*As we explore what you are asking of us,  
we pray for integrity of heart, clarity of mind,  
and a yearning to love and serve others wherever that may take us;  
For deep peace about this next step, and for God's Light in our eyes.  
Amen*

### Additional Bank Holiday – Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2023

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



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### Calendar Activities

**1<sup>st</sup> May**

May Day Bank Holiday  
[School closed]

**2<sup>nd</sup> May**

Year 9 Retreat Day  
[Suspended Timetable]

**5<sup>th</sup> May**

Year 11 MFL Oral Examinations  
Year 7 Exam Timetable and Revision Lists  
to be distributed

**\*\*\*8<sup>th</sup> May\*\*\***

Bank Holiday [Coronation of King Charles III]

**W/c 8<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> May**

Year 8 Examinations

**10<sup>th</sup> May**

[Suspended Timetable Day]

Year 7 – Geography Trip

Year 8 – History Trip

Year 9 – Maths Day

Year 10 – GCSE Exam Revision Day

Year 11 – Service of Celebration Rehearsal

**7pm** Year 11 Service of Celebration

**15<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> May**

Year 7 Examinations

**19<sup>th</sup> May**

Year 8 Fundraising Day  
[Non-uniform for £1 donation]

**23<sup>rd</sup> May**

U13/U15 Wrexham Athletics

### 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](mailto: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 is "Vocation" Every week our pupils take part in Morning Prayer. Here is a prayer written by Nate and Filip from 7 Cassidy:

*"God our Father, we thank you for calling men and women to serve in your Son's Kingdom as priests, deacons, and consecrated persons. Send your Holy Spirit to help others to respond generously and courageously to your call. Amen"*

With the exams now only a few weeks away – I hope that you are well into the swing of your revision. Here's a link to a revision timetable to help get you started (if you haven't!) It's never too late!!  
<https://getrevising.co.uk/planner>

Calling all Year 7 girls!!! Your rugby team needs you!!! Head down to the rugby club to give it a go!! It's a really welcoming place.

*Mrs Roberts-Thompson*



### Year 8

A huge thank you to Mr Tait and 8King for their lovely assembly on the theme of vocations.

Earlier this week revision lists were distributed to Year 8 in order that pupils fully prepare for their examinations. Students should ensure that over the next two weeks they revise thoroughly for their examinations. The timetable will be provided as soon as possible.

A reminder about the importance of attendance and punctuality. Over the next two weeks another 100% attendance competition will take place in Year 8. Pupils who achieve 100% attendance will go into a draw for the opportunity to participate in a reward trip.

*Miss J Taylor*

## Year 9

Next Tuesday, Year 9 have a Retreat Day which will be led by members of the Soli outreach team. Soli is a Catholic residential retreat centre in Staffordshire and our Year 10 and 11 pupils have the opportunity to take part in a four-day retreat during their time at St Joseph's. With this in mind, we have asked the Soli team to lead a day for Year 9, in school, which we hope will inspire many of them to attend their own retreat in February 2024.

Pupils have been told that they may wear non-uniform for this special day, however, non-uniform must be appropriate clothing for school (the pupils know what they may or may not wear) and no charity money will be collected on this occasion. The day promises to be inspiring and challenging but will also include some fun activities which are aimed at encouraging pupils to explore their faith further and think of themselves as part of a wider community.

*Mrs James*

## Year 10

This week year 10 pupils were given the opportunity to take over prefect duties from year 11. They have made a brilliant start, embracing this extra responsibility with an impressive and mature attitude. Thank you to those pupils who have volunteered their time, it is appreciated and nice to see you giving something back to our school community.

**Duke of Edinburgh** - After school sessions have recommenced. Please make sure your expedition letter has been returned.

**Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> May - Revision day for all.** Please make sure you bring your books or folders for English Literature, History, Biology, Science and Physics. If you do not study History, please make sure you have some personal, individual revision to do for 45 minutes. COLLEGE on Wednesday afternoon will continue as normal on this day.

**GCSE Exams** - please make sure you are prepared for these important exams and know exactly when they are. Information went out on EduLink One, under the exams section.

*Mrs Greenhalgh*

## Year 11

We are rapidly approaching the end of Year 11s time here at St Joseph's. Congratulations to all those who are working hard and preparing well for the GCSEs.

The deadline for the Yearbook has been brought forward, so each pupil needs to complete their profile by Tuesday 2/5/2023. This will give us chance to edit the Yearbook and get it out on time.

**Be Exam Ready** – Year 11 have been reminded this week about the importance of being ready for their exams. It is important that for each exam that pupils have the right equipment, these include: a clear pencil case, blue or black pens, eraser, pencils, pencil sharpener, colour pencils (if relevant for their subject), highlighters and a calculator. Also, it is vital that pupils arrive at school by 8.40am, to allow the morning exams to start promptly. A reminder too, that all pupils must be in full school uniform and that normal school standards apply.

*Mrs Davies*

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

**11Ar2**  
2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> May

Good luck!

*Mrs S Taylor*



### Attendance Matters

This week's whole school attendance is **94.7%** which is just below our stretch target of 96.5%.

Congratulations to Year 7 for attendance way over 96.5% although 7 Devereux need to improve. Year 8 and 9 are well below the 'stretch target' apart from 8 Devereux and 9 King. Well done on your attendance.

**Every** Year 10 and 11 pupil should be working hard to attend school and achieve 100% this term, as important GCSEs are taking place for all!

Please let's try to achieve our 'stretch' target next week.

Mrs Ellis

Year	Cassidy	Devereux	King	Kolbe	Romero
7	96.4	89.6	<b>96.7</b>	<b>99.2</b> ☺☺	<b>97.3</b> ☺
8	88.9	<b>99.6</b> ☺☺	96.2	92.2	91.9
9	92.6	95.7	<b>98.2</b> ☺☺	90.7	84.1
10	93.3	95.5	92.2	<b>97.1</b> ☺	93.9
11	93.3	90.0	86.9	87.6	94.2
<b>Family Average</b>	92.9	94.1	94.0	93.4	92.3