

Saint John Wall Catholic School

A Catholic School For All



Mission Statement

'To educate each and every unique child in our care to hear and respond to what God calls them to be'



Issue 25

Weekly Information Bulletin

Date: Friday 23 April 2021

Catholic Life - Termly theme: Joy of Living

Dear Lord, We ask of you to help each and every unique child to become educated in our school. We also ask of you to hear and respond to each and every prayer of the pupils in our school, we ask you to guide them to what you call them to be. We pray that we all become learned and wise and are grateful for your love, support and generosity. Amen.

Important Dates to Note

- **Year 11 Assessment Week**
Monday 26 April 2021 to Friday 30 April 2021
- **Bank Holiday - May Day**
Monday 3 May 2021 – School closed
- **Year 8 Pathways Afternoon via Teams – 2pm to 4pm**
Wednesday 5 May 2021 - School closes at 1.15pm for all pupils
- **Year 8 Pathways Taster Sessions via Teams**
Thursday 6 May 2021 – School closed to all pupils as it is a Polling Station
- **May Half Term - Whitsun**
Monday 31 May 2021 to Friday 4 June 2021

Year 11 Assessment Week

Welcome back Year 11, I hope you have had a well-deserved restful break. Please continue to keep up the high standards expected from you all as you are role models for the rest of the school.

Just a reminder to parents Year 11 will be having assessments from Monday 26 April. Can you please ensure the pupils are prepared by bringing in full equipment and being on time into school every single day. This will ensure they are focused to do their best in every subject, and this will go towards their final grades too. Pupils have received their timetables this week, so they know what to revise for.

Year 11 Yearbook

Just before the Easter holidays letters were sent home about being able to purchase the Year 11 Yearbook.

This is a chance for your child to take away a memento of their time at Saint John Wall with photos and comments from pupils and staff. Please pay through ParentPay or Pay Point as soon as possible to ensure you do not miss out. If you require another letter with a barcode your child will be able to collect this from reception. **By Mrs Chand – Head of Year 11**

Summer Uniform Standards

Hot Days



- School polo shirt
- No tie
- Can be untucked
- No blazers required
- No coats permitted

Warm Days



- School polo shirt
- No tie
- Can be untucked
- With blazer

or



- Shirt and tie with blazer

No coats permitted

Colder Days



- Shirt and tie with blazer
- Jumper permitted
- Coat permitted

Summer Polo Shirt is available to purchase from school from Monday 26 April during form time and lunch time.



- £3 for sizes age 11 to 13
- £5 for adult sizes (S/M/L/XL)



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BBC YOUNG REPORTER

Well done to our BBC Young Reporters who put together their stories as they joined hundreds of schools from around the country in this major BBC project. The group of Year 7 pupils have taken to journalism in their stride, researching, scripting and conducting interviews especially in these challenging times.

The video is now available to view by selecting the '**BBC Young Reporter**' link from the '**Pupils**' drop down menu on our school website.

By Mr Mull

Pupil Comments

"I recorded a video and presented and answered questions in front of the camera."

"I think it's a nice project that I took part in and learnt a lot of skills."

By Mohamad Omar Ahmed 7CUG

"I think that overall, this project was quite fun. I enjoyed laughing when we made jokes and did other fun stuff. I was one of the presenters interviewing Mr Price and Mrs Ellis where we talked about Covid 19 and how the school was coping. We also had a group talk where we discussed how Covid 19 effected each and every one of us."

By Elisa Breton Johnson 7FOX

"When I was doing the BBC Young Reporter project I was interviewing Year 11s about their GCSE's and I also was the Camera girl. I really enjoyed this project because I did lots of interesting things and it has been the best moment of my life."

By Mercedes Johnson 7FOX

"I recorded a video as a young reporter talking about Covid and how it has affected us. I really enjoyed when we had a bit of fun recording the video."

By Deborah Habteab 7FOX

"I think the project was good and we had lots of fun and I would love to do more of this. We interviewed teachers and Year 11 pupils about Covid."

By Dilpreet Sandhu 7CUG

"The day that I presented the BBC project I was nervous that I would say it wrong but when I finished, I felt proud hearing my voice on the camera recording."

I was a presenter and I interviewed Head of Year, Mrs Ellis and the RE teacher, Mr Price. I was happy to hear my little squeaky voice on camera. My BBC partner helped me with the script that I was going to say. I felt very proud of myself of doing the project because if I did not do it I would kind of miss out."

By Abdihakim Yusuf 7BRK



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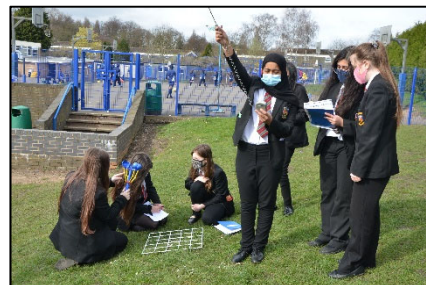
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Year 8 Ecosystem - Sampling method

By Mrs Habibullah

Just before the Easter break, as part of the Year 8 KS3 Science Ecosystem topic, 8X1 carried out field work on the Year 9 playground to investigate distribution of plants. They used Quadrats - a sampling method to investigate plant distribution. Here are some photographs of their field work.



Remote Learning Masterclass Timetable (Summer Term 3)

After School Masterclass 3.00 – 3.40pm
Evening Teams Masterclass 5:00 - 5:40pm

| w/c | W/C | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Saturday Assessment week |
|-------|--------|---|---|---|---|-----------------------------|
| April | 26-Apr | | Year 7 Evening ENGLISH Masterclass Miss Jones | Year 8 After school Enrichment Masterclass All Bucket 3 Subject Teachers | Year 9 After school Music Masterclass Mrs Crooks | |
| May | 03-May | | Year 9 After School Music Masterclass Mrs Crooks | | Year 7 After School ART Masterclass Mrs Brooks | |
| | 10-May | Year 11 SEND Intervention Evening Masterclass Mrs Chand | Year 7 Evening French Masterclass Miss Gosselin | Year 10 Evening ENGLISH Masterclass Miss Flinn | YEAR 9 Evening RE Masterclass Mr Brooks | |
| | | | | Year 7 After School Computing Masterclass Mr Esmaili | | |
| | | 17-May | Year 10 Evening Spanish Masterclass Mr Rosellon | Year 7 After School Wellbeing & LifeStyle Masterclass Mrs Ellis | SEND Intervention After School (Mixed year group) Mrs Kaur | |
| | 31-May | Half Term | | | | |
| June | 07-Jun | Year 8 Evening RE Masterclass Mrs Harms | | Year 10 Evening RE Masterclass Miss Fox-Roberts | | |



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HM Government



Test and Trace

Twice weekly rapid COVID-19 testing

Test at home
Report online
Keep life moving

Let's take this next step safely.

GET YOUR TESTS
FROM SCHOOL OR COLLEGE



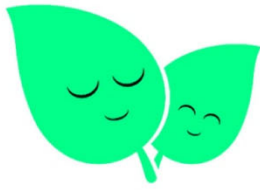
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FRIENDS RESILIENCE



Support wellbeing within your family with the 'Start building resilience' package. This includes:

- A 2-hour video aimed at equipping adults and teenagers with resilience building skills (this can be watched in small sections);
- eBooks per relevant age group:
 - Start building resilience for adults and teenagers
 - Start building resilience for children
 - Start building resilience for young children

This programme will support your child to better manage their feelings, develop more helpful thinking and learn about a healthy lifestyle.

Your child's school might run the FRIENDS programme (<https://friendsresilience.org/>), this package brings these skills to families. To access this package for your family please email the following address and include your child's age and the name of their school: Friends4Families@Birmingham.gov.uk

You will then receive a log-in for the website within five working days and a code which will allow you to create an account and use an online workbook and video.

