

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 30

Weekly Information Bulletin

Date: Friday 13 May 2022

Catholic Life - This year's theme is based on the Parable of the Sower (Matthew 13)

Termly theme: Respect (thorny soil)

Termly SJW values – Compassionate and Loving

Hail Mary, full of grace. The Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou amongst women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death.

Amen

Important Dates to Note

- **GCSE/AS/BTEC External Examinations begin**
Monday 16 May 2022
- **Martineau Gardens Edgbaston Trip – (Year 7 – 13 pupils)**
Tuesday 24 May 2022 – 9.30am to 2.30pm
- **Aston Villa Holte Suite (Years 7, 8 & 9 – 122 Pupils)**
Monday 23 May 2022 – 10.30am to 2.30pm
- **Half Term**
Monday 30 May 2022 to Friday 3 June 2022
- **Year 7 and Year 10 Assessment Week**
Monday 13 June 2022 to Friday 24 June 2022
- **James Watt College (Year 10 – 122 Pupils)**
Wednesday 22 June 2022 – 9am to 3pm
- **Royal Air Force Museum (Year 10 - 34 Pupils)**
Thursday 30 June 2022 – 8.45am to 4pm

Year 11 Formal Examinations

Formal external examinations begin on Monday, a copy of the timetable is displayed further down this newsletter.

Year 11 have been working really hard to prepare for these important exams. To help Year 11 prepare further there is RE revision on Saturday morning, and there will be Saturday morning revision every week from now and until the end of the exams. There will also be revision lessons, academic support and Maths tuition taking place after school on a regular basis. During the May half-term break there will also be revision - look out for letters and information in the post and via text message.

It is important that Year 11 are prepared fully for these examinations. This means that they will need to be in school every day from 8.30am. They will need to ensure that they have the correct equipment - 2 black pens, 2 pencils, highlighter, rubber and ruler. These must all be in a clear plastic pencil case. Mobile phones and watches are not allowed in the examination room and if discovered this could mean an immediate failure, do not be the person that gets caught. Put it in your locker!!!

We wish Year 11 good luck and best wishes in these examinations. Keep working hard, revising, preparing and believing in your ability.

#be the greatest

By Mr John



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Birmingham Schools Wellbeing Census

Our school has agreed, in collaboration with Birmingham City Council, to carry out a yearly measurement of the emotional wellbeing of our pupils. This work is supported by the University of Warwick Youth Mental Health Research Team. Classes have been chosen to participate in this. Please look out for an email in your child's account for further information including how to opt out. The census will be completed in school from Monday 6 June. Any pupils opting out must notify the school before this date.

Please take time to read the following information and feel free to call the school to ask any questions you may have.

By Mrs Crooks

Lexia

Lexia Reading provides all pupils, from at-risk to on-level and advanced, a systematic and structured approach to the five areas of reading, covering early phonological to advanced comprehension skills. The program creates personalised learning paths for each pupil through an adaptive placement and scaffolded activities.

Well done to:

Eldana Guesh - completed level 9

Sador Araya - completed level 12

By Miss Reglewska

Good Luck to Year 11s

We received a phone call this week from a parent of a Year 11 pupil wanting to wish all of Year 11 pupils the best of luck in their examinations. And to say a thank you to all the staff for their help and support in providing extra revision classes.

Catholic Life

Year 7 SVP Group

On Wednesday pupils gathered to hear a special prayer assembly led by Deacon Owen Gresty on Vocations Sunday.



St Francis Catholic Primary School Visit

On Tuesday pupils from St Francis Catholic Primary School (Year 3-5) came to visit our school for a morning of prayer in preparation for the Sacrament of Holy Communion which they will be making later this month. We will keep each of them in our prayers and ask St Francis and St John Wall to pray for them.



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Year 7 Pupil Leadership Opportunities September 2022

This term pupils from Year 7 have been given the opportunity to apply for two new Pupil Leadership Groups which will run from July 2022 through until July 2023.

The Sanctuary Team

The Sanctuary Team will work towards encouraging those who are new to our school family to feel safe and welcomed. The role includes becoming a 'buddy' to our new Year 7's in September, as well as looking after others who come to our school throughout the year. The Sanctuary Team will also reflect upon the theme of 'who is my neighbour?' building on what Year 7 pupils have learned and explored from St Chad's Sanctuary on the refugee crisis. If you would like to join the Sanctuary Team you need to submit a letter to Mrs Ellis detailing the following:
Who you are and the things that you enjoy doing
Why you want to join the team
What gifts/talents you would bring to the group
Anything you have done to help others in need.

All applications must be in by Friday 27 May.

One World Group

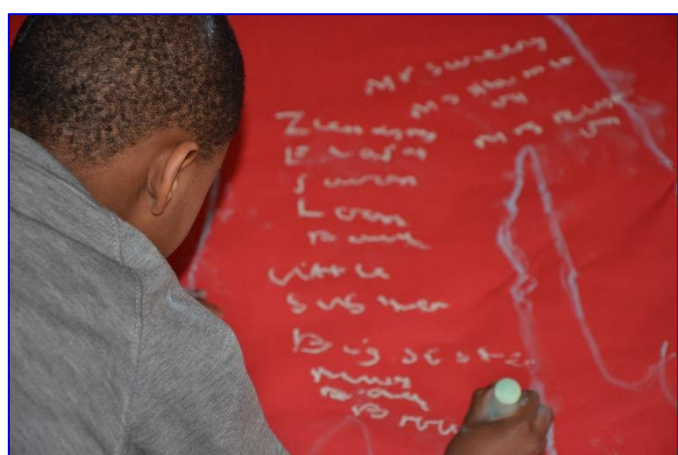
Our CAFOD One World Group focusses on Living Simply. You need to have a drive to be a steward of the world, with an interest in climate change, living in solidarity with those in need and charity work. For those who are interested in joining the team, please leave your name with Mrs Ellis by Friday 27 May. All applicants will be asked to complete a short task in June. Good luck!

One World- Live Simply Corner

One way to live simply is to reduce the amount of meat that we eat each week. Here is a great recipe to try at home:

<https://www.nhs.uk/healthier-families/recipes/deresh-aloo-curry/>

By Mrs Ellis



Year 9 Wellbeing Ambassadors

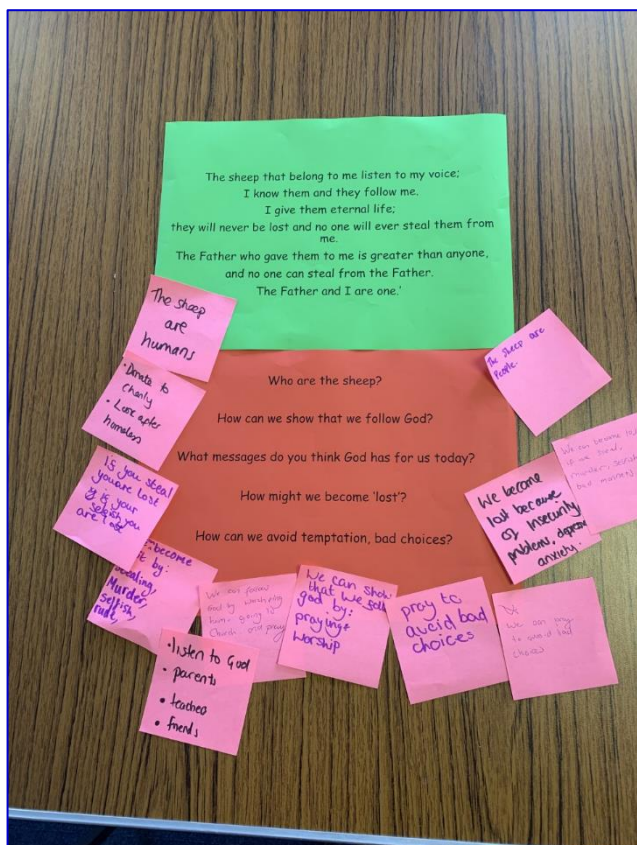
Year 9 pupils came to the Chapel to discuss the theme of 'loneliness' for Mental Health Week. They discussed the different types of loneliness, the causes behind it, and how to empower people to support themselves through wellbeing activities. The group will deliver collective worship next week on the theme and create a display of support for those struggling with the feeling of loneliness.



Catholic Life

In the chapel this week we have been discussing how we can stay on the right path, what things can cause us to wander and be tempted and how we can best follow God and devote ourselves to him.

By Mrs Clayton



Saint Mary's Catholic Church, Harborne

We have been to Saint Mary's this week to chat to the ladies who attend their coffee morning. We played bingo and helped some of the guests with their number cards. Borys and Jakub had a go at bingo calling which was very entertaining. They did a brilliant job and were complimented by everyone! Well done to **Bianca Emuke, Jakub Letowski, Borys Morawski** and **Andrea Zajacova**.

By Mrs Clayton



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RAF Museum - Cosford

Last week the code club took part in a regional heat for the robotics challenge taking place at RAF Museum in Cosford. They participated in challenges to do with science, technology and engineering. Along with competing in various robotics challenges the pupils also got the chance to walk around the museum and saw the various aircraft. The pupils were especially praised for their presentation of the design of the robot and how they had found the project. We will definitely be taking part again next year.

By Mr Rathbone

"It was interesting because we learnt about STEM."

By Jaskirat Sahota 7FOR

"I really liked it and would recommend it to new Year 7s."

By Daiana Mancescu 7PAW

"I really enjoyed it was a fun time too."

By Rehan Khan 7PAW



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Year 11 External Examination Timetable

Exam Date	Exam Board	Qualification	Subject	Title	Exam Time	Exam Duration
Week 1						
16/05/2022	WJEC	GCSE	Religious Studies	Religious Studies (Full Course) (Eduqas) Route B Component 1	AM	1h30
16/05/2022	Pearson	BTEC Level 2 Firsts	Travel and Tourism	Unit 1: The UK Travel and Tourism Sector-Y10	PM	1h 15m
17/05/2022	Pearson	GCSE	Combined Science	Paper 1: Biology 1 Foundation Tier	AM	1h 10m
17/05/2022	Pearson	GCSE	Combined Science	Paper 1: Biology 1 Higher Tier	AM	1h 10m
18/05/2022	AQA	GCSE	English Language	English Language Paper 1	AM	1h 45m
19/05/2022	Pearson	GCSE	History 1	Paper 1: Thematic study and historic environment	AM	1h 15m
19/05/2022	AQA	GCSE	Italian	Italian Paper 1 Listening	PM	45m
19/05/2022	AQA	GCSE	Italian	Italian Paper 3 Reading	PM	45m
20/05/2022	Pearson	GCSE	Mathematics	Paper 1 (Non-Calculator) Foundation Tier	AM	1h 30m
20/05/2022	Pearson	GCSE	Mathematics	Paper 1 (Non-Calculator) Higher Tier	AM	1h 30m
Week 2						
23/05/2022	AQA	GCSE	Geography	Geography Paper 1	AM	1h 30m
24/05/2022	AQA	GCSE	French	French Paper 1 Listening	AM	35m
24/05/2022	AQA	GCSE	French	French Paper 1 Listening	AM	45m
24/05/2022	AQA	GCSE	French	French Paper 3 Reading	AM	45m
24/05/2022	AQA	GCSE	French	French Paper 3 Reading	AM	1h
24/05/2022	OCR	GCSE	Physical Education	Physical factors affecting performance	PM	1h
25/05/2022	WJEC	GCSE	English Literature	English Literature (Eduqas) Component 1- Shakespeare and Post-1914 Prose/Drama)	AM	2h
26/05/2022	AQA	GCSE	Spanish	Spanish Paper 1 Listening	AM	35m
26/05/2022	AQA	GCSE	Spanish	Spanish Paper 1 Listening	AM	45m
26/05/2022	AQA	GCSE	Spanish	Spanish Paper 3 Reading	AM	45m
26/05/2022	AQA	GCSE	Spanish	Spanish Paper 3 Reading	AM	1h
26/05/2022	WJEC	GCSE	Religious Studies	Religious Studies (Full Course) (Eduqas) Route B Component 2	PM	1h 30m
27/05/2022	Pearson	GCSE	Combined Science	Paper 2: Chemistry 1 Foundation Tier	AM	1h 10m
27/05/2022	Pearson	GCSE	Combined Science	Paper 2: Chemistry 1 Higher Tier	AM	1h 10m



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SPRING HALF TERM BREAK

Week 3

06/06/2022	OCR	Cambridge National	Child Development	Health and well-being for child development-Y10 X5	AM	1h 15m
07/06/2022	Pearson	GCSE	Mathematics	Paper 2 (Calculator) Foundation Tier	AM	1h 30m
07/06/2022	Pearson	GCSE	Mathematics	Paper 2 (Calculator) Higher Tier	AM	1h 30m
07/06/2022	AQA	GCSE	Geography	Geography Paper 2	PM	1h 30m
08/06/2022	WJEC	GCSE	English Literature	English Literature (Eduqas) Component 2-Poetry Anthology; 19th Century Prose; Unseen Poetry)	AM	2h
08/06/2022	WJEC	GCSE	Religious Studies	Religious Studies (Full Course) (Eduqas)Route B Component 3 (Option 4)	PM	1h
09/06/2022	Pearson	GCSE	History# 2	Paper 3: Modern depth study	AM	1h 20m
09/06/2022	Pearson	GCSE	Combined Science	Paper 3: Physics 1 Foundation Tier	PM	1h 10m
09/06/2022	Pearson	GCSE	Combined Science	Paper 3: Physics 1 Higher Tier	PM	1h 10m
10/06/2022	AQA	GCSE	English Language	English Language Paper 2	AM	1h 45m
10/06/2022	OCR	GCSE	Physical Education	Socio-cultural issues and sports psychology	PM	1h

Week 4

13/06/2022	Pearson	GCSE	Mathematics	Paper 3 (Calculator) Foundation Tier	AM	1h 30m
13/06/2022	Pearson	GCSE	Mathematics	Paper 3 (Calculator) Higher Tier	AM	1h 30m
13/06/2022	OCR	Cambridge National	Creative iMedia	Pre-production skills-Y10	PM	1h 15m
14/06/2022	AQA	GCSE	Geography	Geography Paper 3	AM	1h
14/06/2022	AQA	GCSE	Italian	Italian Paper 4	PM	1h 20m
15/06/2022	Pearson	GCSE	Combined Science	Paper 4: Biology 2 Foundation Tier	AM	1h 10m
15/06/2022	Pearson	GCSE	Combined Science	Paper 4: Biology 2 Higher Tier	AM	1h 10m
15/06/2022	AQA	GCSE	Punjabi	Punjabi Paper 1	PM	45m
15/06/2022	AQA	GCSE	Punjabi	Punjabi Paper 3	PM	1h
15/06/2022	Pearson	GCSE	Design and Technology	Component 1: Metals	PM	1h 45m
16/06/2022	Pearson	GCSE	History #3	Paper 2: British depth study	AM	55m



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16/06/2022	AQA	GCSE	French	French Paper 4	PM	1h 05m
16/06/2022	AQA	GCSE	French	French Paper 4	PM	1h 20m
16/06/2022	OCR	Cambridge National	Health & Social Care	Essential values of care for use with individuals in care settings Y10* 1 clash	PM	1h
17/06/2022	AQA	GCSE	Spanish	Spanish Paper 4	AM	1h 05m
17/06/2022	AQA	GCSE	Spanish	Spanish Paper 4	AM	1h 20m
17/06/2022	AQA	GCSE	Polish	Polish Paper 1	PM	45m
17/06/2022	Pearson	GCSE	Persian	Persian Paper 1	PM	45m
17/06/2022	AQA	GCSE	Polish	Polish Paper 3	PM	1h
17/06/2022	Pearson	GCSE	Persian	Persian Paper 3	PM	45m

Week 5						
20/06/2022	Pearson	GCSE	Combined Science	Paper 5: Chemistry 2 Foundation Tier	AM	1h 10m
20/06/2022	Pearson	GCSE	Combined Science	Paper 5: Chemistry 2 Higher Tier	AM	1h 10m
21/06/2022	WJEC	VOC	Hospitality	Hospitality & Catering Y10	PM	1h 30m
23/06/2022	Pearson	GCSE	Combined Science	Paper 6: Physics 2 Foundation Tier	AM	1h 10m
23/06/2022	Pearson	GCSE	Combined Science	Paper 6: Physics 2 Higher Tier	AM	1h 10m
Week 6						
27/06/2022	AQA	GCSE	Polish	Polish Paper 4	AM	1h 05m
27/06/2022	Pearson	GCSE	Persian	Paper 4: Writing in Persian Higher Tier	AM	1h 25m
28/06/2022	AQA	GCSE	Panjabi	Panjabi Paper 4	AM	1h 20m
29/06/2022		GCSE		CONTINGENCY DAY		
30/06/2022	Pearson	BTEC O/S	SPORT	SPORT Y10 Fitness for Sport & Exercise Y10	PM	(1H 15M)





THE RISE YOUTH FORUM NEEDS YOU!



Birmingham's RISE Youth Forum

Do you want to have a say in the support which is provided in Birmingham schools for Children and Young People with Additional Needs?

We are looking for young people, aged 11-25 years to come and join the RISE Youth Forum and help shape the co-production of services in the city.

The role involves advising Birmingham City Council (BCC) to develop, deliver and review their programmes of activities, meeting with Officials, Councillors and other key figures such as Sue Harrison the Director of Education and Skills.

To request an application form
please email:
youthforum@birmingham.gov.uk
Thank you



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