

St John Fisher Catholic High School



Newsletter 15 18 May 2018

Dear Parent/Carer

As our Year 13 prepare to leave us and begin their exams, it is also the time of year at which we nominate our next student leaders. This year's Sixth Form Congress have done an exceptional job of representing the student body, and we are hugely grateful to them for the way in which they have represented our school and worked tirelessly for the sixth form. Year 12 have just elected their successors who we are sure will be an equally fine set of student leaders. Particular congratulations to our new Head Boy, James Greene, and Head Girl, Olivia Cook who will no doubt continue to build on the excellent work of the outgoing Head Boy and Girl, Jan Oledzki and Lizzie Churchill.

Congratulations also to our Year 7 girls' football team who have reached the national finals, to be played at St. George's Stadium, the England training ground, at a date in June as yet to be confirmed. It is a fantastic achievement that one of our sports team is one of the last two standing in a national competition, facing Gordano School from Somerset in the final. There is no funding available any more for schools reaching the finals, and therefore, as a community we are fundraising to support the girls to be able to make the most of this exceptional achievement. You will be receiving a letter about a 'Sports Tops to School' non-uniform day on the last Friday of the half term to help fund transport and accommodation for the team. We know there are many fund raising requests that come from school and other sources, but any support you can give will be appreciated by the team.

Year 11 and Year 13 are now well into their examinations. Parents of Years 7-9 students should also be aware that they will be taking part in end of year assessments in all subjects on their return from half term between 4th and 8th June. These assessments will be conducted in classrooms, in exam conditions and all subject teachers will be making students aware of what topics will be covered in their subject as well as giving advice on how to prepare.

Also, a reminder that this year is the school's 60th anniversary, which we will celebrate on 28th June with a Mass in the Royal Hall, a day of celebration events and a concert in the evening, to which parents are warmly invited. Tickets are available from www.harrogatetheatre.co.uk or the Box Office 01423 502116. Additionally, if you are an ex St. John Fisher student yourself, or know any, please keep your eyes open for announcements about the launch of our Alumni Network, Ad Vitam, which will launch as part of our celebrations of our Diamond Jubilee.

Yours sincerely

Mrs J Langstaff
Acting Headteacher



INFORMATION

School Communication

Please see below for forthcoming events; all other events and information are detailed on the school website or Facebook:

<http://sjfchs.org.uk/>

<https://www.facebook.com/SJFCHS/>

If you have any queries for teaching staff, please email:

office@sjfchs.org.uk

GDPR Consent Forms

This is a reminder to please complete and return the GDPR consent forms to the school ASAP. These were emailed to all parents and carers last week. If you need a further copy, please email fryan@sjfchs.org.uk

New 2 You

We currently have a shortage of larger sized second hand uniforms, if your child is a current Y11 student and you have some good quality uniform you would like to donate to New 2 You, please bring it along to school. We thank you for your continued support.

GCSE Exams

Please click on the below links for the up to date summer exam timetable and Candidate Exam Handbook:

Y11 Summer Exam Timetable

<http://sjfchs.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2015/07/GCSE-Exam-Timetable-Summer-2018-For-Website.pdf>

<http://sjfchs.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2018/04/Candidate-Exam-Handbook-2017-2018.pdf>

If you have any queries about the above timetables, please contact exams@sjfchs.org.uk

Y13 Leavers' Mass – Wednesday 23 May

For Year 13, please be aware of a particularly special event which takes place on Wednesday 23 May, when we hold a Leavers' Mass in our chapel for students and their parents, to complete the cycle which began with their welcome Mass in Year 7. We would love to see Year 13 parents there. A letter with further details will be coming out shortly.

Senior Concert - Friday 25th May

The music department will be holding its annual Senior Concert on Friday 25th May at 7pm in the school hall to celebrate the hard work of all musicians this year. The concert will feature all the school senior ensembles and a guest appearance from the junior choir, along with a selection of solo performances from the Year 13 students who will be leaving us this year.

The concert is always a highlight of the year and will be the final performance for many of our young people in a St. John Fisher group. The PTA will be providing refreshments with tickets available on the door or by emailing music@sjfchs.org.uk. Tickets are priced £5 for adults and £3 for children. We hope to see as many parents and supporters there as possible.

Mr Ratcliffe
Head of Music

SJF Diamond Jubilee Celebration – Thursday 28 June

Come and join us for an evening of music, dance and drama to celebrate 60 years of SJF School at Harrogate Theatre. For full details, click on the link below.

<http://sjfchs.org.uk/sjf-diamond-jubilee-celebration/>



Y11 Prom Tickets Now on Sale on Parent Pay

Available until 14 June, £25 a ticket at the Cedar Court Hotel on Friday 29th June, 7.00pm until 10.30pm. Once paid for, tickets should be collected from the school admin office and brought to the Prom.

Good Shepherd Service – Friday 11 May

Friday 11th May saw the Annual Good Shepherd Service at Leeds Cathedral. All the schools from the Diocese gathered for the celebration along with the Bishop of Leeds and representatives from Catholic Care. The culmination of the Lenten good works were brought forward during the celebration and presented to the Bishop. St John Fisher's was represented by two year 7's and year 8's who shared some of their fundraising stories with Bishop Marcus. After the service all the young people were invited to Wheeler Hall for refreshments and the chance to chat further and share their faith in action experiences.



Sports Award Evening

If any parents/businesses would like to place an advert in the programme to support our Sports Awards Evening on 17 October which celebrates all of our students who have contributed to sport and extra-curricular PE at SJF. Please email office@sjfchs.org.uk.

A5 Programme

Half page - £75

Full Page - £125

Two Pages - £200

Sports Results

Girls Football - Y7

NATIONAL FINALS HERE WE COME!!!

The Year 7 Girls' Football team are through to the National Finals after a tremendous 5-0 win versus Thomas Telford on Tuesday afternoon.

Every member of Year 7 came out in full force to support their peers as they embarked on a prestigious cup match. They joined the St John Fisher staff and parents to cheer the Year 7 Girls' Football team to victory.

After numerous delays resulting in the kick off being delayed over ninety minutes, the St John Fisher team were fired up and raring to go.

St John Fisher took the lead and sent the crowd wild after only nineteen seconds, after Ruby Watts unleashed a stunning strike after some good interplay with Rebecca Hugill and Natasha Cree straight from kick off.

Watts followed this up only a matter of minutes later after she tried her luck from distance, she saw her shot parried into the roof of the net.

In soaring temperatures, the students created an incredible atmosphere which spurred the girls on to get two further goals before half time. The first coming from a Ruby Watts free kick which Harriet Robson plucked out of the air exquisitely and rifled the ball into the back of the net. The second came from great work from Frankie Moss and Millie Fieldhouse on the right hand side which released Robson to slot the ball home and bring the first half proceedings to an end.



The second half saw Thomas Telford come out all guns blazing and put the St John Fisher back line under some pressure. Claudia Sandford pulled off a sublime double save from a free-kick, whilst Olivia Longley and Ursula Holland put in some terrific blocks and clearances to nullify the Thomas Telford team.

Katie Scobbie rose to the occasion after scoring with her first touch after coming on. She coolly slotted the ball home with her left foot after some terrific play from Harriet Robson.

Mya Shields came on to show that it's the size of your heart that matters and not her stature. Mya outfought the Thomas Telford players and continued to break up attack's, showing tremendous desire and determination.



Natasha Cree and Ruby Watts were the catalysts to St John Fishers promising attack's which created numerous opportunities for the talented Rebecca Hugill who was unlucky not to get on the score sheet after some terrific solo runs.

The final whistle blew and the Fishers faithful were ecstatic and truly appreciative of an outstanding team performance and showcase of girls' football.

The National Final will be held in June at St George's Park, the English Football Association's National football centre where they will face Gordano School from Somerset.

For now, we can enjoy being one of the best two schools in the whole of England, a remarkable achievement by any standard.

Congratulations girls, you deserve every success.

Well done. History has been made.

Sponsorship – we need your help!

The Year 7 Girls football team have been crowned 5-a-side, 7-a-side and 11-a-side Harrogate and District and North Yorkshire champions. They are now through to the Under 12 English Schools Girls Football National Finals as one of the best two teams in the whole of England! The current Year 7 team have played in competitive matches for 9 consecutive months (since September) and are unbeaten, which is a fantastic achievement for all involved.

We are now looking to raise funds to support the Year 7 Girls' Football team on their quest for glory at the National Final. We are looking to raise money to transport as many students as we can to support the team at this momentous occasion.

If you would like to sponsor the girls' football team or make a contribution then please email:

chuegett@sjfchs.org.uk

Girls Football – U16

The Under 16 Girls Football team were crowned North Yorkshire Champions on Thursday afternoon in the North Yorkshire Cup Final against Malton High School at Harrogate Town.

St John Fisher had the best opportunities of the game within the first fifteen minutes but couldn't capitalise through Molly Bridson.

Malton enjoyed some good passages of play and looked the better side but failed to test the keeper until the second half. The makeshift goalkeeper of Eimear Wyrill had a sensational game in goal pulling off a handful of brilliant saves.

Jess Flynn and Mary Windle were the standout players and along with Eimear Wyrill as they kept the game level.



St John Fisher lacked their usual flare and composure but looked assured at the Back with Hollie Higgins, Mary Windle, Poppy Dunn and Katie Barlow stopping any Malton attacks and continued to releass Mel Strike, Niamh Barker and Lydia Lawson up the wings.

After extra-time the game ended 0-0 and came down to the dreaded penalties. Up stepped Molly Bridson as the new goalkeeper and first penalty taker but failed to convert.

Malton couldn't capitalise on the missed penalty and lifted the ball over the bar. Mary Windle, Cassidy Lane, Jess Flynn and Carys McDonnell all stepped up and Coolly concerted their penalties and Molly Bridson saved Malton's final penalty to ensure that St John Fisher were crowned North Yorkshire Champions for the fifth year running.

Well done girls, a fantastic achievement.



U13 Girls Football North Yorkshire Champions

The St John Fisher Under 13 Girls Football team were also crowned North Yorkshire Champions after defeating Selby High School 3-0 in their North Yorkshire Cup Final at Harrogate Town on Friday 11 May. St John Fisher didn't take their chances until the second half where they started playing their usual football after a quiet first half. Rebecca Hugill set the game alight with a great finish after a perfectly weighted through ball from Robyn McKendrick. Therese Tolan made sure that Harriet Robson's ferocious effort was over the line after the ball ricocheted off the underside of the bar from 18 yards out. Hugill ensured that St John Fisher were crowned Champions after the goal of the game where she finished an exquisite team goal assisted by Ruby Watts.



Table Tennis Season Round Up

With only 1 fixture unplayed in Division 3, I can report on the season from a school point of view. Overall a really good year, but with problems for next season regarding who to play, in which teams, and which divisions to ask to play in.

A Team - Division 1

Team - Sammy Kelly, Ben Bown, Andy Cousins and Dale Gibson (with Theo Kelly and George Asbury standing in when needed)

Finished 5th in final table of 12 teams, which finished at Xmas and carried the points forward in Division 1A played after Xmas, with just the top 6 teams playing each other twice.

The team were overtaken by Ripley C to finish in 6th place, the highest position ever by a Fishers team.

Sammy ended the season with a 62.90%---and a brilliant 58.62% after Xmas against all the best players. Ben 40% Andy 37% and Theo 33% had good seasons.



B Team - Division 2

Team - George Asbury, Tom Hudson, Matthew Lynch, Theo Kelly and Luke Furlong.

All these players were playing 1, or in some cases 2 divisions up from the previous season.

The team finished in 7th position out of 11 teams (only losing 5th position when the bottom team were forced to concede matches 0-30 by not putting a team out in 3 fixtures)

Theo Kelly with 35 wins out of 45 ended with an average of 77.88% to put him in 5th position in the division.

George ended on 67%, Tom 58%, Luke 37% and Matthew 31%.

C Team - Division 4

Team - Ben Collins, Aman Joshua, Tom Barlow, Gabriel Mead and Brook Sutton (with Mr Mills and other D Team players helping out when needed).

The team finished 2nd in the division from 11 teams after a very good 2nd half of the season. Losing to a very strong Burnbridge E team in both the league and Charity Cup.

D Team—Division 4

Team - Jonathan Asbury, Andy Hull, Nick Kelly, Vicky Hudson (with Mr Mills and Harry Hudson helping out)

Finished 4th after being in the top 2 for most of the season.

Averages from Division 4 for both teams

Jonathan (8th in the division) 81%, Max 80%, Tom, 74%, Aman 72%, Andy 71%, Ben 70%, Nick 41%, Gabriel 40% and Vicky 13%. Also Brook and Harry.

Max Mills

Year 3 and 4 Primary school Partnership Tennis competition

On Monday 14th May the St John Fisher Sports leaders hosted the annual Year 3 and 4 Primary school Partnership Tennis competition at St John Fisher.

Our leaders used their inter-personal skills and leadership qualities to demonstrate what an asset they are to our school community by passing on their knowledge and skills to the primary school students through officiating and coaching.

We are delighted that once again St John Fisher received fantastic feedback from the students, parents and teachers at the event and we are proud of our students for representing St John Fisher in a positive light and for being positive role models to the young people.



Year 1 & 2 Primary School Football Festival

Well done to the students who successfully delivered the Year 1 & 2 Primary school football festival catering for over 100 primary school children at St John Fisher. Congratulations to Pannal and Oatlands Primary School who were joint champions as even extra time couldn't divide the two teams.



We are extremely proud of our Sports leaders who voluntarily give up their time to deliver other primary school events for our St John Fisher community. We are delighted to have such enthusiastic, caring and committed pupils at St John Fisher who are always striving to develop their skill-set, create opportunities for others, build friendships and improve their knowledge and skills. They are an asset to the school and have had a positive impact on the local community with their brilliance. Well done to everyone who has been involved as a Sports Leader. If you want to get involved in leadership



Tennis

Years 7/8 B Team Competition - Thursday 10th May at Ashville College

Group 2

1st Game v St Aidan's

A Pair Charlie Lockett and Maciej Cwiklinskios Won 4-1

B Pair Brook Sutton and Jude Sheridan-Hawley Lost 1-2

Fishers 5 St Aidan's 3

2nd Game v Ripon Grammar School

A Pair Won 2-1

B Pair Won 3-0

Fishers 5 Ripon G S 1

3rd Game v Rossett High

A Pair won 4-0

B Pair won 4-0

Fishers 8 Rossett 0

Group 1 Winners - Ashville College

Runners Up - Harrogate G S

3rd Ilkley G S

4th King James

Fishers will play teams in Group 1 in the 2nd round in June, and carry points won forward.

Well done to all 4 boys,

Year 10B Competition – Thursday 17 May at Ashville College

A Pair - Pierce Charlesworth and Calum Hodgson

B Pair - James Dempsey and Hugh Carrington

Very inexperienced boys all in Year 9 playing against mainly Year 10 Boys, did really well to win 2 of their 5 matches.

V Ashville College

A Pair Lost 1-3 B Pair Lost 0-4 Result 1-7 loss

Ashville won all their 5 matches to win the Tournament



V Harrogate G S

A Pair Won 3-1 B Pair Won 2-1 Result 5-2 win

V Rossett High

A Pair Lost 0-3 B Pair Lost 1-3 Result 1-6 loss

V St Aidan's

A Pair Lost 1-2 B Pair Won 3-0 Result 4-2 win

V King James

A pair Won 2-1 B Pair Lost 0-3 Result 2-4 loss

Points will be carried forward to the final competition

Sports Fixtures

Monday 21 May

Mr Pass/Mr Black – Y7 Boys Football Area Cup Final @ Harrogate Town FC, 16:00 KO

Mr Stansfield – Y10 Boys Football Area Cup Final @ Harrogate Town FC, 17:30 KO

Please feel free to come down and support the boys for either of the games. There is a small admission cost of £1.

Mr Stansfield - Y9 Cricket v Thirsk @ SJF, 13:00-16:00

Tuesday 22 May

Mr Mills – Road to Wimbledon Tennis Competition @ SJF, 09:30-15:30

Thursday 24 May

Mr Pass – Y7 Cricket v Easingwold @ Easingwold, 12:30-17:00

Mr Barton – Y10 Cricket v Rossett @ SJF, 14:30-17:00

PE Extra Curricular Timetable

Please note that there is a change to the Rounder's practices now scheduled for Tuesday after school and Wednesday lunchtime as detailed in the timetable below.

Please see below for the new summer term PE Extra Curricular Timetable, starting 23 April.



News from the Science Desk – May 2018

Our thoughts and support go to all those pupils who are now sitting, or about to sit, their GCSE and A-level examinations.

“Everything you want is out there waiting for you to ask. Everything you want also wants you. But you have to take action to get it.”

Jules Renard

Year 7

In the first week after half term, w/c 4th June, all Y7 pupils will be assessed in all subjects for an end of year assessment. Please take this as an early heads up that Y7 will be tested in Science on Monday 4th in Science lessons. The content of this assessment will be from all of the material that they have encountered over the year. Pupils have received a list of topics to help them revise. We will use the results of this to set pupils in to mixed ability groups in Y8, and to provide a picture of progress across the year.

Year 8

In the first week after half term, w/c 4th June, all Y8 pupils will be assessed in all subjects for an end of year assessment. Please take this as an early heads up that Y8 will be tested in Science on Friday 8th in Science lessons. The content of this assessment will be from all of the material that they have encountered over the year. Pupils have received a revision list that pupils can use in conjunction with other revision materials to aid them in their studies. We will use the results of this to stream pupils in Y9, and to provide a picture of progress across the year.

Revision Material for Year 7 and 8

Collins KS3 Revision Science ISBN 978-0-00-756282-4

CGP Key Stage Three Science The Workbook ISBN 978-1-84146-239-4

The two books above can be obtained for a combined price of £7.50 from the Science prep room, and will allow pupils to consolidate their understanding in addition to the support material and worksheets for the whole key stage in the KS3 area of the VLE.

Year 9

In the first week after half term, w/c 4th June, all Y9 pupils will be assessed in all subjects for an end of year assessment. Please take this as an early heads up that Y8 will be tested in Science within Science lessons.

9 Left will have Biology on Tuesday 5th June, Chemistry on Wednesday 6th June and Physics on Thursday 7th June. 9 Right will have Biology on Tuesday 5th June, Chemistry on Thursday 7th June and Physics on Friday 8th June.

The content of this assessment will be from all of the GCSE material that they have encountered over the year in each subject. We will produce a revision list that pupils can use in conjunction with other revision materials to aid them in their studies. This longer format will begin to guide pupils as to the need for organisation, preparation and the demands at GCSE and also will allow us to begin to set groups for the beginning of Y10.

We have set up pupils with a Kerboodle account, which will provide on-line text books supporting the new specification together with a suite of further resources which are very useful if accessed.

We hope that pupils are contending with the rigour of their new GCSE topics, and in addition to Kerboodle and the relevant workbooks and revisions guides, teachers are preparing suitable, appropriate and differentiated resources to help their pupils.

We hope that you had the opportunity of discussing the transition from Y9 to Y10 with the teachers at the parents evening on Thursday 3rd May.



Year 10

Y10 have now received their mock examination results across all subjects. In Science, we have attempted to be realistic with the grade boundaries, to give as accurate picture of current performance and likely grade next year.

We are reviewing in class which should will allow pupils to begin to work on those areas they have found more challenging and should be taken as the opportunity to make additional progress straight away.

We will be reviewing the setting of some pupils on the back of these mocks, some for whom Separates appears over challenging, others who would appear up to the challenge, and others for whom the Foundation tier would be more appropriate.

Year 11

Good luck to all pupils as they are the first cohort to experience the new GCSE, early feedback confirms the amount of mathematics as expected and the context based around practicals.

We will be offering revision boosters in advance of each examination, either the day, or morning before the respective examination. In the past, we have found that those that attend these tend to pick up marks due to the freshness of these last sessions. All pupils are cordially invited.

If you have any questions or queries regards any of the impending assessments or any other issues in Science, then please do not hesitate to contact me.

Mr Tanner-Smith

Head of Science

Specialist Leader in Education

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To log on to Kerboodle (please note the change to the centre code)

Username: Initial followed by surname (e.g. rtannersmith)

Password: Initial followed by surname again (you will be prompted to change this once logged on).

Centre no: vsg7 (VSG7 –in lower case)





PE SUMMER EXTRA-CURRICULAR TIMETABLE 2017 - 2018 (23 APRIL - JULY)



Day	LUNCH TIME – 12:30 – 1:15PM		AFTER SCHOOL – 3:45 – 5PM	
	SPORT	TEACHER	SPORT	TEACHER
MON	YEAR 7 BOYS & GIRLS CRICKET (SH/A) ALL YEARS BOYS TENNIS (C)	MR PASS MR MILLS	ALL YEARS BOYS TENNIS (C)	MR MILLS
TUES	YEAR 9 BOYS & GIRLS CRICKET (SH/A) ALL YEARS GIRLS TENNIS (C)	MR STANSFIELD MISS TELFER & MISS HUEGETT	ALL YEARS GIRLS ROUNDERS (A)	MISS HUEGETT & MISS TELFER
WEDS	YEAR 8 BOYS & GIRLS CRICKET (SH/A) ALL YEARS BOYS TENNIS (C) ALL YEARS GIRLS ROUNDERS (A)	MR ROWLANDS MR MILLS MISS HUEGETT	YEAR 7 – 10 BOYS AND GIRLS TRACK AND FIELD ATHLETICS (A/F)	MR PASS MR KNOWLES MR ROWLANDS MISS THOMAS MRS NIGHTINGALE
THURS	YEAR 10 BOYS & GIRLS CRICKET (SH/A) YEAR 7 & 8 BOYS RUGBY LEAGUE (A) YEAR 7 GIRLS NETBALL (C)	MR TANNER-SMITH & MR BARTON MR HOWGATE MISS TELFER	YR 7 NATIONAL YOUNG LEADERS COURSE AND Y8-10 LEVEL 1 SPORTS LEADERS QUALIFICATION (SH/A) YEAR 9 & 10 BOYS RUGBY LEAGUE (F)	MISS HUEGETT MR HOWGATE
FRI				

THE FITNESS SUITE WILL ALSO BE AVAILABLE ON A LUNCH TIME AND AFTER-SCHOOL FOR ALL STUDENTS, THIS WILL BE OPEN WHEN APPROPRIATE SUPERVISION IS CONFIRMED.

SH = SPORTS HALL F = FIELD A = ASTROTURF (NO METAL STUDS / BLADES TO BE WORN) C = MULTI USE COURTS (TENNIS / NETBALL)

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