

Dear Parents/Carers

Last week Dr Guscott, Mrs Livesey and Miss Trainor led very successful study sessions for all Year 9 students, with the focus being on revision techniques, and a particular emphasis on Mind-Maps. It would be great if parents and carers could talk to their children about this, and help us to establish a successful culture of on-going revision by encouraging it at home.

As mentioned last week, Year 11 students received their December examination results and termly data during assembly on Friday, and over the course of this week Year 11 students will be seen by a member of the Senior Leadership Team, either individually or in groups. I would encourage you to discuss these results with your child - a paper copy has been posted home, along with a more detailed plan of the forthcoming term. Reports that students receive may be asked for by colleges for interviews, so please do ensure that they are close to hand. I also wrote to Year 11 parents last week to assure them that we are working together in partnership to ensure the very best results for our students in the Summer GCSEs, and at times the messages we give have to be challenging but supportive, and all actions taken are in the best interests of all our students.

I also mentioned forthcoming parents' evenings in last week's newsletter – there is a list of all important dates for this term in this newsletter. I would, however, like to bring to your attention the information evening for the Berlin Trip, this evening at 6pm, and the Year 10 Work Experience Information Evening on Thursday at 6.30pm (students in full uniform), Also, another reminder that the next PTA meeting is this evening at 7.00pm in the staff room.

Thank you for your continued support. If you wish to discuss any aspect of life here at St James', please do not hesitate to contact me at [headteacher@st-jamescatholic.stockport.sch.uk](mailto:headteacher@st-jamescatholic.stockport.sch.uk)

Tim Beesley, Headteacher

### PRAYER

Barrier-breaking God,  
You embrace all cultures and lands,  
But keep a special place in your heart  
For the stranger, the widow and the  
orphan.

Grant us the gift of your Spirit  
That we may become as You are,  
Welcoming all as brothers and sisters,  
Your cherished children,  
Citizens together in Christ's kingdom of  
justice and peace.  
Amen

### YEAR 10 WORK EXPERIENCE

**INFORMATION EVENING FOR STUDENTS AND PARENTS 6:30PM ON  
THURSDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY  
IN THE ASSEMBLY HALL**

It is very important that students attend with a parent/carer as information will be given out about the work experience week in July (Students must wear full school uniform)

Mrs Grainger - Work Related Learning Coordinator

### ADVANCE INFORMATION KEY DATES FOR THIS TERM

Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> January	Year 10 Work Experience information evening 6:30pm (students to wear full school uniform)
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> January	Pre Ski trip meeting 7pm
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> February	Year 11 Parents Evening 4-7pm
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> February	Year 9 vaccinations (during school day)
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> February	School closes for half term at 3pm
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> February	Year 11 Berlin trip departs
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> March	Year 9 parents evening 4-7pm
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 7 parents meeting 4-7pm
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	Year 11 Mass of Celebration 7pm

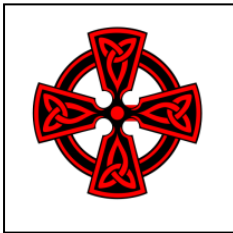
## SHREWSBURY YOUTH MISSION TEAM – SUNDAY REFLECTION



So often we can see Jesus as someone separate from our lives, that He cares about other people, their problems and their dreams. However today's reading reminds me that Jesus cares personally about my life; He cares about my problems and concerns, my hopes, dreams and desires. He is interested in what I am looking for in life and invites us to see who He really is. In the Gospel we hear Jesus ask His disciples, 'what do you seek? When they respond He invites His disciples to 'come and see' where He dwells, His disciples realise that Jesus truly is the Messiah. Just like Simon Peter, this invitation can lead to something far greater than we had ever dreamed of, if only we respond with an open heart.

## CONFIRMATION IN WYTHENSHAW

Students in Year 8 and above who are in the Wythenshawe Catholic Parishes are invited to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation this year. There is a meeting at Sacred Heart and St Peter's Church, Baguley on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> January at 6.15pm for young people and their parents/carers. This meeting will look at what is involved in the programme, and there will be application forms as well.



Mrs Bennett – Lay Chaplain

If you have any questions about this, or are unsure if this includes you, please contact Fr Michael Coughlin on 0161 998 5319 or [frmichaelcoughlan@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:frmichaelcoughlan@hotmail.co.uk). He will be able to talk you through whether your parish is one included in this programme.



## YEAR 9 RETREATS

Don't forget, Year 9 students have retreat days coming up. The dates of these retreats are:

**J and S Monday 5<sup>th</sup> February**  
**A and C Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> February**  
**E and M Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February**

They have had a letter, but if you need another, there are spares at Reception or speak to Mrs. Bennett. In order for these retreats to take place a voluntary contribution of £12.50 is required to cover costs. Further information is in the letter. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Bennett – [emma.bennett@st-jamescatholic.stockport.sch.uk](mailto:emma.bennett@st-jamescatholic.stockport.sch.uk)



## YEAR 11 SCIENCE REVISION SESSIONS

Students who attend each week will be entered into a prize draw to win some Trafford Centre vouchers

Mrs Brown  
Director of Science

Term 2-3		
Date	Teachers	Subject
Thurs 11 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Mrs Brown (higher/triple Rm 16) Dr Nye (foundation Rm 14)	Biology
Thurs 18 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Miss Mylott (foundation Rm 22) Miss Woods (higher/triple Rm 20)	Chemistry
Weds 24 <sup>th</sup> Jan (due to twilight)	Mrs Brown (higher/triple Rm 16) Dr Nye (foundation Rm 14)	Biology
Weds 31 <sup>st</sup> Jan (due to parents evening)	Mrs Kibble (higher/triple Rm 21) Mr Murphy (foundation Rm 18)	Physics
Thurs 8 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Miss Mylott (foundation Rm 22) Miss Woods (higher/triple Rm 20)	Chemistry
Thurs 15 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Mrs Kibble (higher/triple Rm 21) Mr Murphy (foundation Rm 18)	Physics
Feb half term		
Weds 28 <sup>th</sup> Feb (due to parents evening)	Mrs Brown (higher/triple Rm 16) Dr Nye (foundation Rm 14)	Biology
Weds 7 <sup>th</sup> March (due to parents evening)	Mrs Kibble (higher/triple Rm 21) Mr Murphy (foundation Rm 18)	Physics
Weds 14 <sup>th</sup> March (due to twilight)	Mrs Brown (higher/triple Rm 16) Dr Nye (foundation Rm 14)	Biology
Thurs 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	Miss Mylott (foundation Rm 22) Miss Woods (higher/triple Rm 20)	Chemistry
Weds 28 <sup>th</sup> March	Mr Brophy Rm 21 – all welcome <b>TBC</b>	Working Scientifically
Easter		
Thurs 19 <sup>th</sup> April	Miss Mylott (foundation Rm 22) Miss Woods (higher/triple Rm 20)	Chemistry
Weds 25 <sup>th</sup> April (due to parents evening)	Mrs Kibble (higher/triple Rm 21) Mr Murphy (foundation Rm 18)	Physics
End of revision sessions – exams start in 2 weeks		

# Hargate Hill

## EQUESTRIAN CENTRE

FULL TIME  
EQUINE AND  
ANIMAL CARE  
COURSES

### OPEN DAYS 2017-18

**Saturday 18 November**  
10.30am-12.30pm  
(last entry 12noon)

**Saturday 27 January**  
10.30am-12.30pm  
(last entry 12noon)

**Tuesday 20 March**  
5.30-8pm  
(last entry 7.30pm)

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## **GIRLS' PE EXTRA CURRICULAR INFORMATION**

### **Week Commencing Monday 15<sup>th</sup> January**

Tuesday (after school)

Years 7 A & B Netball away at Kingsway return 5pm

Years 10 & 11 Netball practice finish 4.15pm

Wednesday (after school)

Year 11 GCSE Dance finish 4.15pm

Years 8 & 9 netball practice finish 4.15pm

Thursday (after school)

Year 8 netball away at Harrytown return approx. 5.45pm

Year 8 football away at Werneth return approx. 5.45pm

Girls' PE

## **BOYS' PE EXTRA CURRICULAR INFORMATION**

### **Week Commencing Monday 15<sup>th</sup> January**

Monday

KS3 Badminton (Teams only) 3-4:15pm

Year 10 GCSE PE Retest 3-4:pm

Tuesday

Stockport Schools Table Tennis 3-5:00pm

Wednesday

KS3 Badminton (Teams only) 3-4:15pm

Thursday

Year 7 Football Practice 3-4:15pm

Boys' PE