



ST JOHN PAYNE CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Be it known...

10th May 2019

Dear Parents & Carers

On Tuesday Fr Paul celebrated Mass for our Year 11 students as they began their final week prior to exams and study leave beginning on Monday. We thank Fr Paul for a wonderful celebration of students' time with us.

Following yesterday afternoon's Y11 football final, in which we were unfortunately beaten 5-2 by Great Baddow High School, this afternoon will conclude with a final assembly, which as ever year is sure to be a joyous occasion. Year 13 begin study leave next Thursday. We hold all those preparing for examinations in our prayers.

Yesterday evening we welcomed parents and carers of Year 10 students to discuss their children's progress throughout their Key Stage 4 courses. Against the backdrop of today's final full day for Year 11 students, the conversations parents and carers had with teachers were an opportunity to consider how students can best be supported in their preparations for next year's examinations.

Last Sunday's Gospel tells of Christ appearing to his disciples as they haul in their empty nets on a day of fruitless fishing. When Christ urges them to cast again, their nets fill to bursting. Christ's appearance here, reminiscent of his exhortation early in his ministry to Simon and Andrew to become fishers of men, reminds us - as do all of Christ's appearances in the days following his resurrection - that Christ's presence is absolute, all pervading, and eternal. He moves among us, beside us, and within us all as beings born in his image. ***Know that I am with you, even until the end of the age.***

Y10 Geography students visit Swanage next week for their field work study. We thank Mr Master-Jewitt and the Geography team for affording the students what is sure to be a great experience. We wish them better weather than we have endured this week!

We are always pleased to learn of former students' achievements and experiences upon progressing from our community, and were delighted yesterday to welcome former Deputy Head Girl Jennifer, who spoke to sixth form students about her progress as an IT Degree Apprentice with Ford. Our students were inspired by her experiences.

Thomas Coen, Headteacher.

SJP is a proud Teacher Training Partnership School to Billericay Education Consortium and West Essex Teacher Training School Alliance. Please contact us if you are interested in a career in teaching and/or work experience.

We will be grateful for donations of scientific calculators for invigilators to lend to students during examinations. Ideally students will attend with their own for the papers that require them, but a reserve set will alleviate any potential anxiety in the event of their forgetting.

DEAR: Drop Everything And Read promotes the importance of reading - the key to the curriculum. To this end, our KS3 curriculum allows KS3 students 15 minutes' daily independent reading. We ask that parents & carers make informed decisions in ensuring an appropriate choice of text for their children to read.

Please be familiar with Mr Coen's letter regarding efforts by the PTA to finance a new school mini-bus. You may have noted via twitter that our current mini-bus is at present home to two nesting pied wagtails and therefore cannot be used. <https://cafdonate.cafonline.org/9721>

Brentwood Catholic Children's Society has several charity places remaining for the London to Brighton Bike Ride on 15th September 2019. Riders are asked to pay a registration fee of £55 and make a commitment to raise £150 for 'bccs'. For more information, please visit our website www.bccs.org.uk/GetInvolved/Events or call Julie Abbott on 01268 784544/07912 277413



Author Grant Strong discussing Running Deep

Celebrations & Successes

Well done to all students involved in ConfiDance and the Year 9 Creative Writing collaboration with local primary schools. Feedback has been hugely positive. We look forward to further updates.



Former Deputy Head Girl Jennifer and Sixth Form students

Governors assure parents & carers that no MAT decision involving SJP will be taken without consultation with all parties.



...to all who enter here that Christ is the reason for this school.





The Angelus

The Angelus is traditionally recited morning (6:00 a.m.), noon and evening (6:00 p.m.) throughout the year except during Paschal time, when the Regina Coeli is recited instead.

V. The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary.
R. And she conceived of the Holy Spirit.
Hail Mary, etc.

V. Behold the handmaid of the Lord.
R. Be it done unto me according to thy word.
Hail Mary, etc.

V. And the Word was made Flesh.
R. And dwelt among us.
Hail Mary, etc.

V. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.
R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

LET US PRAY

Pour forth, we beseech Thee, O Lord, Thy grace into our hearts, that we to whom the Incarnation of Christ Thy Son was made known by the message of an angel, may by His Passion and Cross be brought to the glory of His Resurrection. Through the same Christ Our Lord. Amen.