



ST JOHN PAYNE CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Be it known...

17th May 2019

Dear Parents & Carers

Y10 Geography students visited Swanage this week for their field work study. We thank Mr Master-Jewitt and the Geography team for affording the students a great experience.

On Wednesday we celebrated Y13 students' time with us and their contributions to our community prior to their beginning study leave yesterday. For all who work in education, such occasions are a great blessing - the culmination of our partnerships with parents and carers; of our nurture of the children in our care as they grow to adulthood and progress to the rich and fulfilling futures that are the reward of years of hard work; and of the graces invested in them by God. Our prayers are with them.

Christ rebuked the disciples who would prevent the children from approaching him in the temple, ***Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these.*** It is to such as these that St John Payne Catholic School most belongs. In all that we do, our aim is to offer students a place of welcome, where they are known personally and loved individually as created in Christ's image.

It was lovely to hear students describe SJP as offering just that - a place of welcome, security and love. I know that the coming weeks will bring much joy and success, but it is perhaps in this that the true witness of our community is most abundant.

Sunday's short Gospel attested to Christ's, ***'I am with you even until the end of the age.'*** We are known by Christ and by the Father, and can never be taken from Him. To all those whose formal association with the school as students is nearing a conclusion, the Gospel affirms that they will always find their home with God.

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>

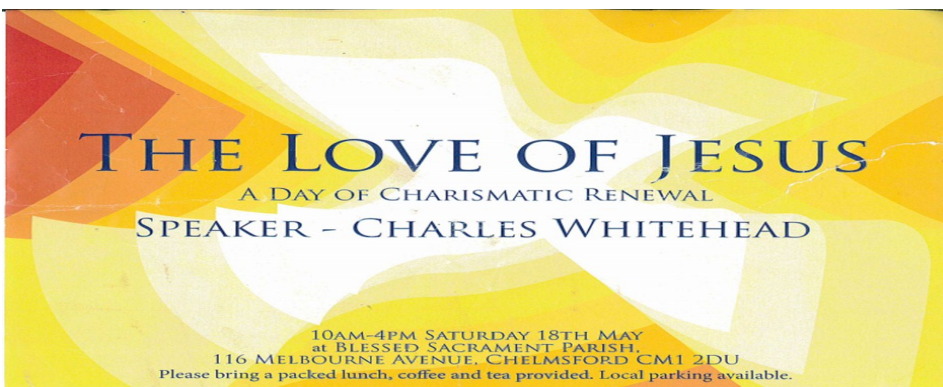
Brentwood Catholic Children's Society has several charity places remaining for the London to Brighton Bike Ride on 15th September 2019. Riders are asked to pay a registration fee of £55 and make a commitment to raise £150 for 'bccs'. For more information, please visit our website www.bccs.org.uk/GetInvolved/Events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

Celebrations & Successes

It was lovely to receive a report of one of our students picking up litter and crossing the road to place it in a bin as she approached school on Tuesday. We are proud to know we have students prepared to take a stand and embrace the responsibility invested in each of us as members of our school, local and global communities.

Congratulations to Janelle Y8 for her role in the Trinity Methodist Music and Drama production of Oliver at the Civic Theatre.

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.