



ST JOHN PAYNE CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER MAY 2022

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The school was full of joy & celebration as we gathered to give thanks for the contributions of our Year 11 & 13 students' contributions to our community throughout their time with us. They have extended excellent devotion in preparing for their examinations, and we continue to hold them in our prayers. I am sure the coming weeks will bring them the fruits of all their efforts.

This year the customary celebrations were enhanced as Year 11 students organised a celebration of the breadth of nationality & cultural heritage comprising our community. Aquinas Hall became a carnival of colour as students attended in national dress, organising an impromptu catwalk to parade their heritages in a joyous testament to our diversity.





Students have enjoyed much success in recent weeks, Edward in Year 10 addressing an audience of his peers and adults at the Jack Petchey Speak Out competition with great assurance and poise, Onyekah in Year 12 continuing his athletics success in being selected for the U20 GB team at the Loughborough International, and our Year 7 football team winning their league unbeaten for the season.



It was lovely on Sunday to see so many of our students and others from local schools demonstrate their faith as they made their confirmation at Our Lady Immaculate. We pray that they continue to grow in faith and serve as witnesses to Christ. We thank Rt. Rev Alan Williams SM, our Norbertine friends and all the catechists for guiding these wonderful young people towards so joyous a celebration. God bless.

On our return we will look forward to our KS3 production of Revolting Rhymes. Students continue to enjoy their rehearsals under Mrs Nowlan's guidance, and the performances on 28th & 29th June promise to display their gifts in great abundance.

We wish our whole community a restful break, and look forward to welcoming the students back when we return to school on 6^{th} June.

Yours sincerely

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Thomas Coen Headteacher.







This month we have marked the Feast of the English Martyrs, Mary Mother of God and St John Payne.

Years 11 and 13 had their Leavers' Masses with Fr Stephen. Year 11 were gifted a pebble and prayer card and Year 13 a rosary and bookmark. We thank Fr Stephen for the beautiful send-off that he helped us to have as well as gifting us the rosaries.

On Thursday 26th May, it was Ascension Day – we mark when Jesus went to Heaven to be with God. Approximately 80 students signed up to come down to the Church of the Blessed Sacrament along with staff. The students were a credit to the school and really enjoyed the experience. We thank Father Paul and the parish for inviting us along and celebrating mass with us.



Do you want to help the local community?

If so, we have a member of St Vincent de Paul Society (SVP) coming in to speak with students and staff about setting up our own SVP group in school. Students who join the group will have opportunities to take on leadership roles – including Chairperson,

Vice-chair, Treasurer, Secretary, etc and will meet weekly to identify those in need in the local community and plan events to support them.

Richard will be coming to school on Friday 10th June at 12.10 to speak to any students who would like to find out more. If you have any queries, please ask Hannah.

CHAPLAINCY &FAITH LIFE



ACN: 10 miles and 10 Churches



I was honoured to complete the '10 miles, 10 Churches' walk in London on 21st May. The walk was in support of refugees in war torn countries. At each Church bidding prayers and Bible passages were read. Prayers for a country where Christians face continued persecution were said.

We met at the spectacular Church of the Immaculate Conception on Farm Street in Mayfair. A beautiful barque and heavily ornate church which contained a wonderful modern sculpture; the Homeless Jesus. From there we walked to Tyburn Covent, a humble building, still a working Convent a stone's throw away from Marble Arch station. Prayers were said at the site where 1000's of Catholics martyred on the very spot we stood during the reformation. Our next stop was the St James church, Spanish place; another heavily ornate and beautiful Church.

Other spectacular churches along the route included Our Lady of the assumption and St Gregory, Corpus Christi Catholic Church, in the heart of Covent Garden. As well as Charter House.

Over 3000 pounds has already been raised. To make a donation please click on the link below. https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/tenchurchestenmiles

Your donations could help change a life: DONATE £40: can support displaced Christians in Ukraine with immediate emergency aid. DONATE £80: can give a voice to the voiceless Christians in Iraq and worldwide. DONATE £120: can support Sisters in Ukraine for three months in their outreach.

Aid to the Church in Need is a Pontifical Foundation of the Catholic Church, supporting the Catholic faithful and other Christians where they are persecuted, oppressed or in pastoral need. Each year the Charity funds over 5000 projects in more than 140 countries around the world, helping to

support the Church in it's mission and bringing hope and solidarity to millions of people from all faith and cultural backgrounds.







Ms G Semambo

To learn more about Aid to the Church in Need, their campaigns and work around the world please click on the link below.

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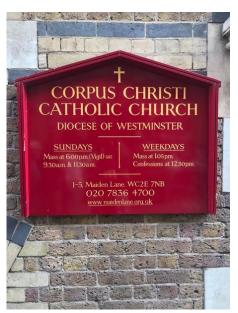
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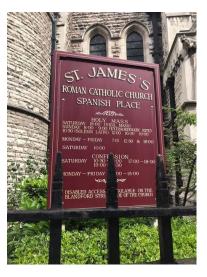












STUDENT AWARDS

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Year 7

HOY Award



Freddie G- 270 Achievement Points



Year 8 HOY AWARD Ryan T 312 Achievement Points

Year 9

HOY Award

Harrison W

9B

351 Achievement Points





Year 10 HOY AWARD- Edward W 224 Achievement Points



Year 11

HOY Award– Ella B

The Head of Year award in Year 11 goes to **Ella B**. She received her certificate at the end of year assembly for her amazing bravery and hard work towards her GCSE examinations. Ella is a fantastic role model for all students at SJP with a 'can do' attitude that motivates all of us in the community. Well done Ella, we look forward to welcoming you back for Sixth Form in Year 12.





	Total Year Group Achievement Points	Highest Form Achieve- ment points	Highest Achieve- ment Points In the Year
Year 7	15820	7 S	Freddie G
		3579	270 Achievement Points
Year 8	13171	8C	Ryan T
		2871	312 Achievement Points
Year 9	12644	9S	Harrison W
		2557	9B
			351 Achievement Points
Year 10	4943	10C	Edward W
		1073	224 Achievement Points
Year 11	2387	11B	Gribin R
		687	50+



Student Leadership Team 2022-2023



Head Girl Breanna

Head Boy Onyeka



Deputy Head Girl

Deputy Head Boy Charlie



House Captains



Chaplaincy Leaders

Student Leadership Team 2022



Augustinians

Marie

Gregory

Benedictines

Evie

Hannah

Carmelites

Ella

Lilly

Dominicans

Mikhail

Amy

Franciscans

Kelsie

Neha

Servites

Sophie

Michael





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Chelmsford Art Festival, Concrete Canvas.

Lily first attracted attention when helping prepare the base coats for The London Police Street artists. Since then, she has helped on the mural itself, even becoming part of it with her name added by the artists and a representation of her in the mural. The curator of the festival, Candy, saw lily's hard work and passion for art. Kindly, she gave Lily her own street bollard to paint, alongside invited, talented artists. Lily's has received many compliments from the public, both through the team and online.

This also bought her name to the attention of other international artists. Lily has worked with many over the last two weeks:

- The London Police
- Brave Art
- Sam Maslanka
- Andy Downes
- Philth Blake
- Troika
- Dan Kitchener



Lily has met and interacted with many more.

This impromptu inclusion within the Festival has been an excellent opportunity for Lily. She has already, under the artists tuition, learned many new techniques and is part of same amazing art work around our city centre. Tomorrow presents another opportunity for Lily to be involved in the final works of The London Police's mural. She will once again be able to join them in a top to bottom once over of the final piece. I hope that you will join me in seeing what a fabulous learning experience this will be for her and allow Lily to take leave of her lessons Friday 27th May to take part in this final event.









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Look at that girl – Intellectual boy!

The Secret Diary of Adrian Mole Aged 13³⁄4

at The Cramphorn April 2022

Let's congratulate our year 9 pupils; **Sam A, Joe P, Gene G,** and our year 7 pupils; **Jacob G, Arabella G, Phoebe H** on their wonderful performances of character, confidence and community. The boys and girls performed with such assuredness and fun, which in large doses are enough to stave off any pandemic lockdown drawbacks of isolation, alienation and lacking classroom interaction. Tuesday's performance was an evening of such thought-provoking enjoyment and toe-tapping poetry ('edible girl, Pandora I adore ya' left ringing in the ears), which leaves this form tutor proud to be associated with such young well-rounded highly literate individuals. A plethora of societal satire and selfcritique of relevant PSHCE themes such as blasphemy, bigotry, adultery, adolescent turmoil, without forgetting its political commentary, reflection on self-identity, family struggle and clamber for self-worth. I am also glad to hear that the original musical writers also applauded the award-winning youngsters of Young Gen in this joyous adaptation of Sue Townsend's best-selling book. Let's keep your eyes peeled for Bugsy Malone later in the year.







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Ellie has been an exemplary student throughout her time at St John Payne School. She is a focused, hardworking and determined young woman, who has recently secured the position of Deputy Head Girl. She is already impressing us with her organised, imaginative and humble leadership. In addition to Ellie's service to the school community, in February she arranged to get her beautiful hair cut to donate to the Little Princess Trust. She also asked for sponsorship and she raised over £500 for Abbie's Angels, St John Payne School's JustGiving page set up to raise money for Teenage Cancer Trust. We are enormously proud of all of Ellie's achievements and grateful for her example of servant leadership.



Sacrament of Confirmation at Our Lady of Good Council in Wickford with Phoebe and Lewis M.



My Jack Petchey experience by Edward

"The worst speech you ever gave will be far better than the one you never gave." These are the words of Fred E Miller, a professional public speaker and international coach who has given thousands of public speeches, and this is something I learnt from having the opportunity to participate in the Jack Petchey speaking competition.

The Jack Petchey Speak Out competition, run in partnership with the Speaker's Trust, gives thousands of young people across east London and Essex the opportunity to make their point heard and stand up for something they truly believe in. It helps train more than 20,000 people each year in the art of public speaking, which is a skill employers say is critical when considering employing someone.

The first stage of the competition was a Workshop where myself and 30 other students learnt the key principles of public speaking and how best to engage our audience from an instructor from the Speakers Trust. After a fun day developing our public speaking, everyone gave a 2minute speech that they had made and developed about a topic they cared about. Despite this seeming a nerve-wracking experience, everyone was really supportive which gave me the confidence to give my speech to the best of my ability.

After this stage, out of the 30 pupils who participated myself, and 5 others were selected to go onto the next stage of the competition. After this we practiced the speech with Mr Godfrey, who led the Speak out challenge in our school, and gave each other feedback on how to further develop the speech and how to engage the audience by focusing on our delivery. We then gave the speech to a form group in Year 8 where we used all the skills and knowledge we had gained to give our speeches to a younger audience. After this the class and Mr Godfrey decided who would represent Saint John Payne at the regional final, where all the schools from central Essex would send a representative who would give a speech to an audience of over 100 and be judged by experts including the Barnardo's funds manger. I was then chosen out of the final six to represent Saint John Payne and to be given this amazing opportunity.

has helped me improve at.



My Jack Petchey experience

by Edward

In the weeks leading up to the final I worked very closely with Mr Godfrey and used all the skills that I had learned from this process to perfect my speech and make it suitable for a larger audience in order to best deliver my message. Then on 12th May at Willam de Ferrers School I had another workshop before the speech, where I met the other finalists and received guidance to further improve my speech for greater impact.

Then finally, after all the hard work, I finally gave my speech in front of the large crowd about nuclear weapons and the risk they pose to Society. I remember just before giving my speech feeling immense nerves and feeling that I could not do it. But I then remembered all the skills I had learned and all the hard work I had done to get to this stage. In that moment, I remembered to just breathe and smile which really helped me to stay calm and deliver my message.

I have loved every second of it and I am immensely grateful for all the help and support I have received along the way, and I am particularly thankful for all the teachers



who came to support me - especially Mr Godfrey who has helped me on this amazing Journey. In a recent survey public speaking was listed as the number one fear people have in life, even greater than death which was listed as the second greatest fear. It is no wonder, then, that Public Speaking is such a critical skill in the world we live in today. The ability to boldly stand in front of others and deliver your message is one of Life's greatest skills and it is one that The Jack Petchey challenge has helped me improve at.

Mr Godfrey



Year 9 basketball - district runners up



Our Year 9 boys have had an excellent season on the court.

A combination of hard work, early morning sessions and shear determination has meant they have improved from only winning 1 competitive match in year 7 to playing a district final in year 9.

The final was against our local rivals, Great Baddow, whom have just been crowned Essex Champions, so we knew it would be a tough ask.

The boys played some exceptionally good basketball and were in the game until the very last quarter. However, Baddow showed their experience and strength in depth to hold us off.



Year 7 Boys Football Success

The year 7 boys have had an excellent season in football and have not only managed to win their district league but also remain unbeaten all season. Well done to all the boys that have been involved so far.



The success means that they will be promoted next year and will potentially face tougher opposition.. We look forward to training starting next September for the start of the new season! Year 11 netballers came 1st in the local league (MESSSA). Huge congratulations girls, we're so proud of you!

SUMMARY OF THE 2020/21 LEAGUE

DIVISION 1

	<u>YEAR 7</u>	YEAR 8	YEAR 9	<u>YEAR 10</u>	<u>YEAR 11</u>	YEAR 12/13
<u>1ST</u>	Great Baddow	St Martins	St Martins	Great Baddow	SJP	Brentwood A
<u>2ND</u>	сснѕ	Great Baddow	Great Baddow	Brentwood A	Great Baddow	SJP
<u>3RD</u>	St Martins	Boswells	Brentwood A	St Martins	Boswells	Boswells

Mr Evans



Athletics - Combined events success

On Wednesday 25th May Archie competed in the U17 Essex trials for the combined events competition held at The Brentwood School. The events included long jump, discus, hurdles, javelin and 400m.

He placed to place 3rd in Hurdles, 2nd in 400m and 1st in javelin, which meant he finished 2nd overall. He now awaits to see if he gets selected for the Essex squad for the English Schools competition.





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Athletics success - Onyeka

Last summer Onyeka had huge success in the 400m Hurdles, winning Gold in both the U17 Essex Schools and Essex Counties competitions, whilst also breaking the championships records.

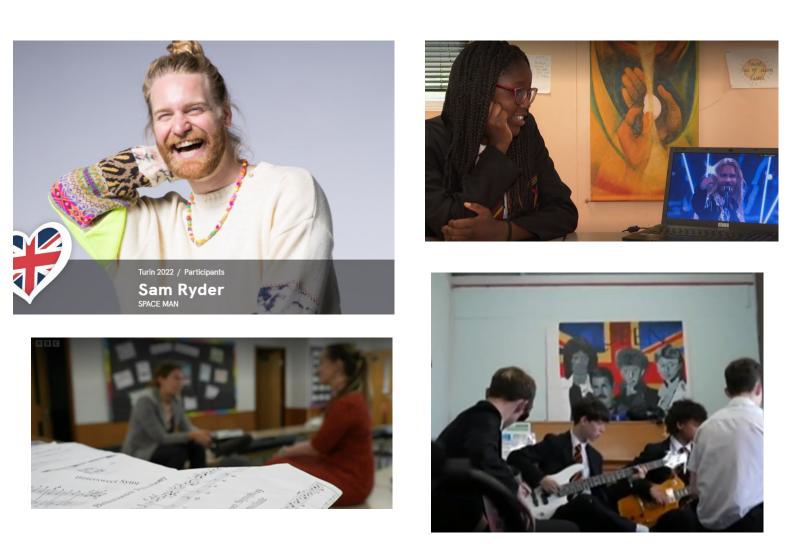
This success saw him have the opportunity to represent both England and GB & NI and also become the U17 England Champion in the 400m Hurdles.

This season he has had to move up an age group to U20, but his success has continued as he has already won the South of England indoor championships, whilst finishing 3rd nationally. His latest competition saw him represent GB & NI juniors in the Loughborough International on the 22nd May. He ran a personal best time of 51.91s which sees him as the fastest U20 in the UK.









Former SJP student Sam is a singer and songwriter from Essex who has seen his popularity go stratospheric, largely thanks to social media.

The Brit co-wrote his Eurovision entry with Grammy winning songwriter Amy Wadge (Ed Sheeran, Thinking Out Loud) and Max Wolfgang, and with over 12 million followers and 100 million likes on TikTok, he is currently the most followed UK music artist on the platform.

SJP Linguastars

Summer term 3a!



There is nothing complicated about learning languages, but it takes hard work.

These students have showed particular grit, resilience, curiosity and effort in embedding French/ German knowledge into their long-term memory. They will have a very strong start to French and German this year because they have not given up and continued to ask questions and check their memory.

Year 7 French	Year 8 French/German	Year 9 French	Year 9 German
Ellie-May R (7A)	Olivia P (8A)	Victory M (9B)	Lola B (9A)
Skye C (7B)	Kai G (8D)	Adam L (9D)	Jessica J (9C)
Rodney S (7C)	George H (8S)	Sydney K-H (9S)	Precious A (9S)
Piotr K (7D)	Charles M (8B)	Kai G (9A)	Gene G (9A)
Evan L (7S)	Patryk G (8C)	Camron P (9D)	Elizabeth A (9D)

Moreover, SJP Top Linguastars are chosen amongst all others for their excellence

Julia L (7F) Impressive engagement in every lesson.

Alfred W (8F) Understanding of languages improving with every lesson.

Szymon Z (9F) Consistent good effort in lessons.

Max J (9F) Hard work and improvement in his spoken German.

Marc J (10D) Great improvements since the start of the year, keep it up!

Naomi U (10S) Naomi has really worked hard in German this half term. She is already working at her Elza D-L (11B) Pushing herself at home to prepare to sit the Higher tier papers.

Dola A (11D) She constantly pushes herself to learn new vocabulary and to incorporate advanced lin-

David A (11C) Pushing himself at home to prepare to sit the Higher tier papers.

Jasper M (12F) Developing confidence in spontaneous speaking with very good pronunciation.

Isabel L (12B) Isabel continues to work extremely hard to lean new vocabulary and structures.

Joshua D (13D) Thorough research of the book and film to produce more accurate and precise essays.

Isabella W (13D) Due to a keen interest and developing knowledge of current affairs, she gives wellbalanced answers in debates.

Key School Events



SJP cultural celebration

A carnival of joy - 68 nationalities & heritages! God bless



Math Department Summer Newsletter

Welcome!

What a busy half term we have had with the return of examinations. Good luck to those students who are taking formal exams after the half term. All students in KS3 and Year 10 will take an end of year assessment after the half term – further details will be sent via SIMS in touch.

Functional Maths Level 1 and Level 2 BTEC award



Congratulations to our Functional Maths cohort, pictured here with class teachers Mrs Machin and Mrs Green.

All students have successfully passed their BTEC Level 1 Award in Functional Maths. Congratulations to Ryan who has already passed his Level 2 award – we await the results for the rest of the cohort!

An outstanding opportunity to practice maths in the real world, so remember to take this as part of your Year 10 options.

UKMT

After the 2-year hiatus for Covid 19, the maths challenge individual competitions have returned!

Back in November 2021, years 12 and 13 maths students undertook the Senior Maths challenge.

Here, Ben L achieved a gold certificate, and entry to the next round of the competition, the Kangaroo competition. Amelia H, Luella D and Mana S Khan achieved Silver award.



Mathematical Enrichment Update

Mathematicians factsheets

This year we launched a reading initiative for KS3, to coincide with DEAR time. Conscious that some

students find it difficult to see a human aspect in mathematics, we produced a series of factsheets on the lives and work of a series of mathematicians from history. The intention here has been to help the students to appreciate that the rules and methods they are learning have a rich history; they needed to be discovered, and the people that made such contributions led rich and colourful lives. It is our hope that students will realise that a life dedicated to mathematics is not a boring one, and that some may be inspired to choose a mathematical career when they finish school.

These factsheets have also been a useful way to promote the contributions made to mathematics by people of diverse backgrounds, both in terms of gender and ethnicity. Whilst mathematics is universal, we acknowledge that over recent centuries, western, white males have received most attention. In order to address this, the maths department has produced fact sheets on the likes of Hypatia, Ada Lovelace, Srinivasa Ramanujan and Katherine Johnson – to name a few. We have been pleased to promote the valuable work made in our field by all peoples and look forward to continuing to do so.



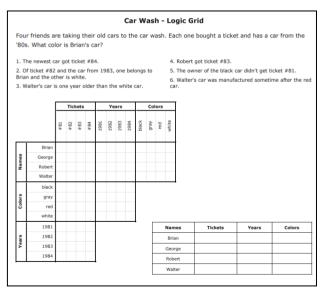
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Logic Grid Puzzles

This year the Maths Department launched its Logic Grid Puzzles initiative. These monthly puzzles have proved very popular, with 110 entries so far, from 70 students over the year. 550 house points have been awarded, with Carmelites currently receiving the largest number – 175.

The Logic Grid Puzzles initiative is one way in which we are promoting a love of mathematics and related skills. In solving each puzzle, students have to read and process written text, spot logical con-

nections between each clue, and work systematically to deduce – usually by a process of elimination – the correct combination of items. In order to do this, students are required to be patient and resilient; to take risks and to persevere. All these skills are important in everyday life, and they are integral to success in maths. We have been delighted to see so many students enjoying these puzzles and celebrating when each is successfully solved.



Christmas and Easter Challenges

More specifically mathematical that the logic grid puzzles, the Christmas and Easter challenges were challenging indeed! Both tasks involved skills beyond which are taught in KS3 and KS4. Students were required to show initiative in how they approached the task, with some researching methods online and some exploiting spreadsheet skills in finding the answers. The Christmas Challenge was already reported on in a previous newsletter. However, we are pleased to announce the winner of the Easter Challenge is Ariana P in 9F. Her solution was correct and well explained, and her initiative in investigating the necessary methods was exemplary. Well done Ariana!

From Mrs O'Leary and the rest of the Mathematics Team, we wish you a restful half term break.





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No act of kindness, however small, is ever wasted.

Aesop



Be kind whenever possible. It is always possible.

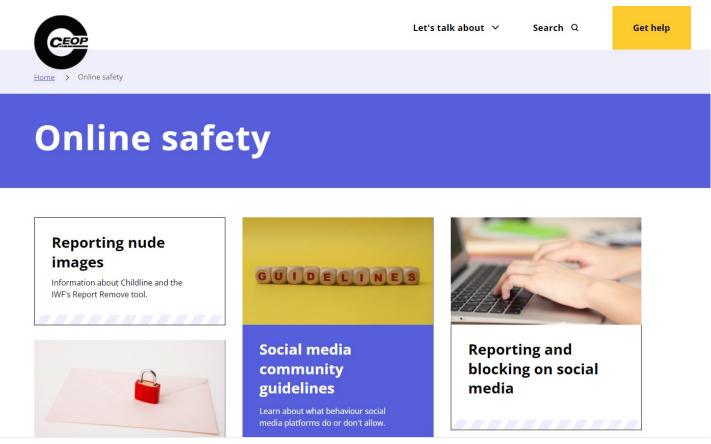
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What are community guidelines?

Each social media platform has a set of rules which set out how they expect users to behave on their platform.

These rules are often called social media 'community guidelines'. You might also see them referred to as 'terms of use'.

They cover behaviour that is not allowed and what might happen if one of the community guidelines is broken.

Examples of community guidelines:

- Do not create material that intends to harass, bully or upset people
- Do not create material that is discriminatory against someone's age, race, religion, gender, sexuality or disability
- Do not promote or share sexually explicit material
- If someone blocks you, do not contact them from another account
- Do not share another person's private information
- Do not encourage dangerous behaviour or violence



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