

STUDENT BRIEFING

Week Commencing 11th February 2019

Prayer Theme: Giving “The most satisfying thing in life is to have been able to give a large part of oneself to others.” (Pierre Teilhard De Chardin – Jesuit Priest, Philosopher)

February Half Term – Monday 18th until Friday 22nd February

Celebration Assemblies

Year 7: Monday

Year 8: Tuesday

Year 9: Wednesday

Year 10: Thursday

Year 11: Friday

Year 9 Mass

Tuesday 12th February

The Lampedusa Cross

On Tuesday, students from Holy Cross will be delivering the Lampedusa Cross to us at the College. The cross is a memorial cross made from the wreckage of a wooden ship that carried immigrants from Africa, of which sunk in the waters of the Mediterranean in 2013. Of the 500 refugees from Eritrea and Somalia that were on board, only 151 managed to survive. After meeting some of the survivors, Mr Tuccio, the island's carpenter, was moved by their plight but felt frustrated that he could not make a difference to their situation.

The best he could do was to use his skills as a carpenter to fashion each of them a cross from the wreckage of the boat as a reflection on their salvation from the sea and hope for the future. A similar cross was made for Pope Francis who carried it at a memorial service for those who had perished.

Mr Tuccio kindly made this piece for the British Museum to mark an extraordinary moment in European history. It also stands witness to the kindness of the people of the small island of Lampedusa who have done what they can for the refugees and migrants who arrive on their shores. (Information from the British Museum).

In Citizenship this week you will learn more about the cross and be able to reflect on the situation from which it was made. For many classes there will also be an opportunity to visit the cross during RE this week. All students are very welcome to view the cross in the Chapel during break time on Wednesday and Friday.

Thank you,
Chaplaincy Team

Send-a-Valentine

The SVP group will be selling small Valentine's day packs for £1 on Tuesday lunchtime (all lunchtimes). The stall will be near the barriers if students would like to purchase a small token to be delivered to their Valentine anonymously on Thursday. Anyone wishing to send a Valentine will need the full name and teaching group of the recipient. All money raised will go towards our mission to turn concern into action, supporting elderly and lonely people in our community.

Student Instructions: End of the College Day:

At the end of the College day students should leave the site promptly unless they are staying for a supervised enrichment club, revision activity or detention. Students who are not involved in a supervised activity should go to the library.

Students should leave the College site by the pedestrian exit gates at the front of the College. The pathway to Holy Cross School is out of bounds for St. Joseph's students and should not be used to leave the College site.

Y11 Geography Revision

Mr Chamberlain:	Tuesdays G16, Skills all targets
Miss Bailey:	Thursdays G14, 4-6 mark questions for higher targets
Mrs Parkes:	Thursdays G15, 4-6 mark questions for lower targets
Mr Jackson:	Tuesdays G16, 9 and 12 mark questions all targets

Lost Property

Can **all** students please check lost property before Half Term.

Bags at Lunchtime

All bags must be placed far enough underneath tables that they are not a health and safety hazard or in lockers.

Art Rooms – Locked

The art rooms are locked in the evenings. You should only be in an art room if you have permission from a teacher or if you are attending Art Club. Students found in the rooms without permission will be sanctioned.

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Meeting for students wishing to enter their Polish/Portuguese/Spanish GCSE this year

Could all students in Years 9, 10 and 11 wishing to enter for a GCSE in one of these languages please attend a short meeting on **Tuesday 12 February** 1500 in S12. If you do not attend I will assume you no longer want to take this exam. If you cannot attend for any reason you must inform Mrs Carbone.

Activities Day MFL

If you have any empty cereal boxes or kitchen roll holders we would appreciate them in MFL for our activities day. Could you drop them off in the SFA. Thank you

Notice to all Year 8 Students

RE have organised a trip to Christchurch in Old Town on Friday 28th February in order to explore Christian architecture and the meaning and purpose of stained glass windows. This trip is free but you **MUST** respond to the letter that has been emailed home to show you have your parents' permission to come. Please make sure you reply as soon as possible or you will not be able to come.

Also, if you are in tutor groups **F, G, H, I and J** you will need to bring a packed lunch. If you usually use the canteen for lunch you will need to buy your sandwiches from there in the morning to bring with you.

RE department

Important information to changes in the Library

Due to the Library undergoing a change to the current issuing system, we will not be issuing any books to Students from Monday 4th February. Please can all students ensure that they hand in all books **before** the end of term. This will greatly assist in the transition of systems.

Many thanks

Mrs Kennedy and Miss Henry

Netball Tour 2019

A weekend full of Netball games! Other activities include abseiling, zip wiring and rock climbing.

When: Friday 10th May until Sunday 12th May 2019.

Where: Condover Hall in Shropshire.

Who: Girls in Year 9, no previous netball is experience required.

Cost: £215 (there is funding available – please ask Miss Jones for more information)

The secure your place, there is a £50 deposit available to pay now, on ParentPay.

If you have any questions, please speak with one of the P.E teachers.

PE Enrichment Term 3

<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Gender</u>	<u>Year Group</u>	<u>Activity</u>	<u>Teacher</u>
Monday	Afterschool (3-4pm)	Girls	Year 8	Football	MW
Tuesday	Afterschool (3-4pm)	Boys	All	Indoor Football	AI
	Afterschool (3-4pm)	Girls	All	Volleyball	AYJ & TF
Wednesday	Afterschool (3-4pm)	Boys	KS3	Basketball	ACS & AI
	Afterschool (3-4pm)	Mixed	KS4	Dodgeball	AYJ & CE
Thursday	Afterschool (3-4pm)	Boys	KS4	Basketball	ACS
	Afterschool (3-4pm)	Girls	Year 7	Football	CE
	Afterschool (3-4pm)	Boys	KS3	Football	TF
	Afterschool (3-4pm)	Girls	All	Cheerleading	GW

Fixtures

Tuesday 12th February Y8 Girls Football Home Vs Swindon Academy

Well done to the Year 11 Basketball Team for narrowly defeating a very strong Lawn Manor Academy squad 28 - 27 at home. The game was of exceptional quality and played in good spirit. Thanks to Miss Foley for volunteering her services as the Table Official.

Congratulations
PE Dept.

English Intervention Timetable 2019

Tuesday Y16 3.00pm-4.00pm

The Year 11 English revision sessions will be held from on Tuesdays in Y16 3pm-4pm. Copies of the timetable will be on each Year 11 English classroom door and the Yellow Family Area door. See Miss Curran for further information.

Date	Session	Venue (s)
Tuesday 15th January	<i>Macbeth</i> Literature Paper 1A Reading (1)	Y16
Tuesday 22nd January	Imaginative Writing Skills Language Paper 1B A05 - planning, structure and style (Grades 4-6) and (Grades 7-9)	Y16 / Y15
Tuesday 29th January	Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde Literature Paper 2A Reading (1)	Y16
Tuesday 5th February	Transactional Writing Language Paper 2B Writing (Grades 4-6) and (Grades 7-9)	Y16 / Y15
Tuesday 12th February	An Inspector Calls Literature Paper 1B Reading	Y16
Tuesday 26th February	Reading Skills: Evaluation Language Papers 1 and 2 (P1 Q4 and P2 Q6)	Y16
Tuesday 5th March	Dr. Jekyll and Mr Hyde Literature Paper 2A Reading (2)	Y16
Tuesday 12th March	Non Fiction Language Paper 2A Reading	Y16
Tuesday 19th March	Macbeth Literature Paper 1A Reading (2)	Y16
Tuesday 26th March	Writing Skills A06 - accuracy and checking (Grades 4-6) and (Grades 7-9)	Y16 / 15
Tuesday 2nd April	Unseen Poetry Literature Paper 2Bb	Y16
Tuesday 23rd April	Reading Skills: Language and Structure Language Paper 1 and 2 Q3	Y16
Tuesday 30th April	Writing to compare 7a and 7b Lang Paper 2	Y16
Tuesday 7th May	Conflict Poetry Carousel Literature Paper 2Ba (1)	TBC
Tuesday 14th May	Literature Paper 1 Revision WTM	HALL
	Paper 1 Literature exam: Wednesday 15th May	
Tuesday 21st May	Conflict Poetry Carousel Literature Paper 2Ba (2)	TBC
Wednesday 22nd May	Literature Paper 2 Revision WTM	HALL
	Paper 2 Literature exam: Thursday 23rd May	
	Paper 1 Language exam: Tuesday 4th June	
	Paper 2 Language exam: Friday 2nd June	