

STUDENT BRIEFING

Week Commencing 21st January 2019

Prayer Theme: Trust

“The Lord says: Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you.” (Luke 11:9)

Wednesday 23rd January Y9 Parents Evening (School A)

Immunisations

All Year 9 Immunisations will be taking place on **Thursday 7th February 2019**. These vaccinations are for Meningitis ACWY **and** Diphtheria, Tetanus and Polio.

There will be 2 Vaccines given.

- Please wear a vest top underneath your school shirts.
- Bring a water bottle with you.

Consent forms are now electronic and have been sent out. Please ask parents to follow the link in the email to give consent.

Any questions or queries please let me know.
Thank you

Miss Mills
Medical Officer

Drama Enrichment

There will be no Drama enrichment on Wednesday 23rd January.

Technical Theatre Group

A brand new enrichment opportunity will begin on Thursday 31st of January open to Year 9 and 10 students. This group will give you the chance to learn how to use the sound and lighting equipment in the Performing Arts Department. You will then in time take charge with myself delivering these elements for school concerts and performances. You will also learn the dark arts of backstage and become part of the team that would make everything on stage possible.

There are **only 12 spaces available** for this exciting opportunity.

Send an email to Mr Halpin with just a few lines on why you want to join the group and what you hope to get out of the opportunity. All emails must be sent by Thursday 24th to dhalpin@stjosephscollege.net at the latest and the 12 will be announced shortly after.

Important change to the use of the Library printer

Due to increase in demand for using the printer during morning break times and afterschool, students must sign up in **advance**. This will be done on a first come first served basis. Maximum of 16 students at one time. Students must have their lunch card with them, in order to activate the printer. Forms are on the desk in the library. This will come into force with effect from Tuesday 15th January 2019.

Thank you
Mrs Kennedy and Miss Henry

Year 11 Business Intervention begins on Tuesday 22nd January

Students have been informed of the time and day they should attend.

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| Time | 13.00 to 13.30 |
| Room | Y16 |
| Week A | Monday & Friday |
| Week B | Tuesday & Thursday |

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

Y7 National Writing Competitions

Diary of a Wimpy Kid

This competition is open to **Y7 only**. Students must write a diary entry – of no more than 500 words – about the most exciting snow day they have ever had or can imagine (it can be made up).

Prizes are £100 of Puffin books for themselves and £500 for their school, and a signed copy of *The Meltdown*, the latest in the *Diary of a Wimpy Kid* series.

Ten runners up will receive a signed copy of *The Meltdown*.

Deadline for entries is **Friday 25th January 2019**.

Wicked Young Writers Award

For this competition students must write a story, poem or play – on any topic – of no more than 750 words. There are two categories students will be eligible for – 11-14 and 15-17 years old. One's category must be indicated, along with name and age at the closing date of the competition, at the top of one's entry.

Consent is required from parents, stating that they have read and agreed with the rules on behalf of the pupil – parents should have had an email regarding this. Consent slips must be returned by paper or by email to Miss Henry or Mrs Kennedy in the Library. Full terms and conditions and further details of the competition can be found at <https://www.wickedyoungwriterawards.com/terms-conditions> or <https://www.wickedyoungwriterawards.com/>

All winners will get four tickets to see Wicked at the Apollo Victoria Theatre in London, as well as a £50 book token. Winners of the 11-14 category will get an annual subscription to the First News newspaper; winners of the 15-17 category will receive a writing class with a professional author. The deadline for handing entries to Miss Henry or Mrs Kennedy is **Friday 8th March 2019**

Wiltshire Schools' Cross Country

Congratulations to all those who represented Swindon in the Wiltshire round of the Cross country on Saturday 19th January. Miss Foley

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 |

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 | <i>Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde</i> 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 | <i>An Inspector Calls</i> Literature Paper 1B Reading | Y16 |
| Tuesday 26th February | <i>Reading Skills: Evaluation Language Papers 1 and 2 (P1 Q4 and P2 Q6)</i> | Y16 |
| Tuesday 5th March | <i>Dr. Jekyll and Mr Hyde</i> Literature Paper 2A Reading (2) | Y16 |
| Tuesday 12th March | <i>Non Fiction</i> Language Paper 2A Reading | Y16 |
| Tuesday 19th March | <i>Macbeth</i> 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 | <i>Unseen Poetry</i> Literature Paper 2Bb | Y16 |
| Tuesday 23rd April | <i>Reading Skills: Language and Structure</i> Language Paper 1 and 2 Q3 | Y16 |
| Tuesday 30th April | <i>Writing to compare 7a and 7b Lang</i> Paper 2 | Y16 |
| Tuesday 7th May | <i>Conflict Poetry Carousel</i> Literature Paper 2Ba (1) | TBC |
| Tuesday 14th May | Literature Paper 1 Revision WTM | HALL |
| | Paper 1 Literature exam: Wednesday 15th May | |
| Tuesday 21st May | <i>Conflict Poetry Carousel</i> 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 | |