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# St. Joseph's Catholic College

## Weekly Bulletin

### Prayer Theme: *Hope*

*"We boast of the hope we have of sharing God's glory! This hope does not disappoint us, for God has poured out his love into our hearts by means of the Holy Spirit, who is God's gift to us. (Romans 5:2, 4)*

Staff Training Day  
Thursday, 29<sup>th</sup> March

Easter Holiday – College closes for students  
Friday 30<sup>th</sup> March – Friday, 13<sup>th</sup> April

College re-opens for students  
Monday, 16<sup>th</sup> April

### Dr Bike Sessions

On 17<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> April and 1<sup>st</sup> May there will be Dr Bike sessions after school from 3:00-4:00pm. This will be an opportunity for students to have their bikes safety checked and minor repairs to be completed. The Dr Bike sessions will be held next to the student bicycle storage area at the end of the carpark.

### Confirmations at Holy Family

Any students in Year 9 or above who wish to do their Confirmation at Holy Family in June will need to collect a form from either Father Gary or Mrs Fraser. Please see the Parish newsletter for more information or Mrs Fraser in Curriculum Support.

### Y11 Class of 2018 Commemoration Hoodies

These are now available to order and pay for at the following online shop: [www.schoolleaverscompany.co.uk/shops/SL40891](http://www.schoolleaverscompany.co.uk/shops/SL40891). The hoodies will be delivered to College and will be distributed at a designated time on Friday, 25 May 2018. Please see Mrs Adams in the Front Office with any queries.

### Year 11 Post 16 College Applications

After half term Swindon College and New College will be coming into St Joseph's to help students complete their application forms for September. If students have not yet submitted an application, it is important to let their tutor know so that Miss Green can compile a list of students requiring guidance. It would be most helpful if you can state if you would like an appointment with Swindon College, New College or both in order to receive the appropriate support.

### Easter Eggs: Tutor Donations

At Easter we traditionally give Easter Eggs to those in need in our community. The Easter Eggs we collect this year will be donated to the Harbour Project and Kingsmead Care Home. Please bring in your donations of Eggs (they do not have to be Fairtrade) or money if you prefer to your tutors. All donations need to be received by Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> March.



### **Grow Your Own Gardening Club**

With Dr Marra will start **14th March** and will continue every Wednesday at **1500**. Meet in **G02** to go outside. To start, we will work on weeding and turning the soil of raised beds, in order to grow vegetables and flowers. Eventually we'll have our own little Eden. Bring/wear suitable clothing (e.g. old jeans; t-shirts; boots/sturdy shoes). Any questions ask Dr Marra: [amarra@stjosephscollege.net](mailto:amarra@stjosephscollege.net)

### **ILC Notices**

The ILC will close at **4.00 pm, Monday-Thursday**. Any student wishing to remain on College premises to continue studying, will be taken to the canteen area by Mrs Kennedy. Friday's hours will remain the same 8.00 am-3.00 pm.

Any students wishing to use the ILC afterschool must sign up in advance. Computers also need to be booked in advance. The reservation sheet is in the ILC. Failure to sign up will result in students not being able to use the ILC.

### **Pastoral Department Notices**

Catapults or other such items must not be brought into college. Any such items will be confiscated and sanctions given.

We have had a number of complaints about students' behaviour along the canal path after College. Any poor behaviour outside of College brings the college into disrepute and is not acceptable and parents will be informed as well as sanctions given.

### **College car park**

Parents have recently been emailed to remind them that there is **NO** vehicular access from 14.45-15.15pm. Unless a meeting has been arranged, the gates will not be opened until 4pm. Therefore, please arrange to be collected from Tesco's car park.

On **Wednesdays** after enrichment, collection is **not permitted at all** on site. Parents can collect from Tesco car park.

### **Headphones:**

Reminder – headphones are not permitted in College. Members of staff can confiscate these from students if they are found wearing them. Phones and all connected technology should be out of use on the College site. Students should keep them in their bag or locker.

### **Orchestra**

Every Tuesday 1500 until 1600 in S06, new members always welcome. See Miss Bradley Sutton or Mrs Webb.

### **Year 11 – Geography students**

Revision sessions take place every night in G16 for 1hr. These independent learning sessions will offer a quiet environment in which you can revise, at least one member of staff to support and a box of revision materials. We have IT access and a range of text books. Please come armed with questions or specific areas you would like to cover.

### **KS4 Science Drop In Sessions**

All years 9,10 and 11 students are welcome to attend this drop in session in B01 where science teachers are on hand for homework help, revision issues or to ask questions of to further their own learning and understanding of the topics covered in the curriculum. Each session will have a Biologist, a Chemist and a Physicist present.

### **Year 11 Science Revision Sessions**

Y11 Revision Sessions are beginning on 8<sup>th</sup> January. The details and schedule for these sessions can be found on the Science Noticeboard opposite B12.

### **Year 11 French revision club**

For students of French in Year 11 revision club is now on, it will be **every Thursday** in **S13** with Madame Hayes from 15:00 – 16:00; we will revise topics and grammar in order to help you with your exams.

### **Year 11 Italian Revision sessions**

Every **Thursday 3.00 – 4.00 pm** in S11 with Ms Amadori. Please bring your books since we will revise topics from Year 10 and Year 11.

### **Homework Club**

Held in W03 (Curriculum Support) Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 3pm - 4pm.

Anyone welcome - no booking required. Help and resources available if needed including computers.

Stay as long as you need (10 minutes to one hour).

For more information, speak to Mrs O'Daly or Mrs Webb

### **PE enrichment Term 4**

Tuesday - girls netball - tour team only - Miss Brett

Wednesday - Girl's badminton - all years - Miss Jones

Wednesday - BTEC catch up club - KS4 - Miss Foley

Wednesday - Girl's rugby - all years - external coach

Wednesday - Boy's football - all years - Mr Cross and Mr Isles