



Uniform

Over the course of the year we have been working to raise standards across the school. One key aspect of that is the uniform and we have consulted with a parent focus group, school council and staff over the last term to review this.

This is to let you know that we are updating the uniform from September 2017 for all students. From the start of the new academic year the uniform is changing as follows; girls will no longer be allowed to wear a black skirt to school, instead they can wear the new Kilt or trousers marked with a SJF logo from our Uniform Suppliers. Boys will also be required to wear trousers from our uniform suppliers. (Students moving into their final year will no longer be allowed to wear a black skirt but can wear the new uniform or wear appropriate black school uniform style trousers).

The change in uniform was agreed at our recent governors' meeting prior to the end of the Easter term. Our suppliers Chroma Sports are still the uniform suppliers and samples of the uniform will shortly be on display in our reception area. Currently we are organising a number of days where you can come in and try on the uniform for sizing, alternatively there will be an order form at reception that will allow you to order with free delivery in school or directly to home for a small cost.

Nose piercings

As in the school policy, only one piercing may be worn in each ear and in no other places. Please note that we are asking students to remove any piercings that are extra to this and these are collected from student services at the end of the day.

Access to School



The school is open to students from 8.00 each day, when they may access the library or the dining hall. A breakfast service runs in the hall. These are the only two parts of the site that are supervised and so we must

ask that students do not come onto the site earlier than this, or go elsewhere in the building. We cannot take responsibility for any students who come onto the site before 8.00am.

Year 10 Pre-Public Exams

These PPEs take place next week. Students have already been issued with timetables and exams have been fitted into lesson slots, apart from the start of each day when exams will begin during registration.

For students, these examinations are conducted in proper exam conditions as a rehearsal for the real thing next year. The results are used by teachers as a measure of progress so far and an indication of where further work is needed. Students need to provide their own equipment for all exams, including calculators. Students should revise and prepare for them as they would for a real exam to get the most out of them.



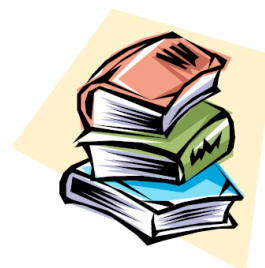
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Sixth Form Study Leave

The arrangements for this year are as follows:

- Year 12 continue to attend lessons in each subject until the final exam in that subject has taken place. Lessons resume for all Year 12 students in all subject on Monday 12 June. This is when the A2 courses begin.
- Year 13 students have their Leavers' Liturgy on Friday 26 May, after which date they are then on study leave.

Please note that Study Leave is recorded on the register by the school when it is applicable. All other absences continue to be recorded as such and are only authorised if an acceptable written explanation is received.



Sean Hayes

**Academic Tutoring - Year 7
8 May - 19 May**

Ignite Festival

This year pupils from SJF again attended the Ignite festival, an event that invites young people to spend a weekend on retreat with other young people from Catholic parishes across the diocese culminating with a Diocesan Mass on the final day in Walsingham at the UK's National Shrine. Many of the students who came with us were returning participants. It speaks volumes about how much they enjoyed it last year and this year was no different. Bishop Alan welcomed us all on the first evening followed by an hour of Eucharistic Adoration. This was followed up by an evening of entertainment. Fr Piotr, our school's Priest chaplain, became the real star of the evening as he never left the dance floor. Had he not chosen to become a priest, SJF's Chaplain would definitely have been a Britain's got Talent finalist! Camping was great fun. Some of the new students who joined us had never camped before and they loved it. Sunday was another amazing day. The speakers and workshops were pitched perfectly which kept us all engaged and reflective. That evening saw the return of our star in the making to the dance floor as we grooved to a live band before getting to sleep for a second night. Once we had packed our tents away on the Monday morning we joined the rest of the young people in a 7 mile walk to the Shrine at Walsingham. We joined parishioners from all parishes for the yearly East Anglia Diocesan Mass. It was a fitting end to a very special weekend.

My thanks to our students who came and once again to Fr. Adam, Fr. Piotr and Fr. Walde who made our participation possible. The pupils also wanted to thank Fr. Adam for the McDonald's he treated us to on the way home.

We are meeting again tonight at 7pm in the parish centre for adoration followed by pizza. This is a youth meeting for teens. Anyone interested in coming along will be made welcome.
Miss O' Connor

Year 11 Revision Sessions

Media: Exam revision sessions are on Saturday 6 May and Saturday 20 May, both run from 11-3pm. All students are welcome/expected.

Science: Revision sessions next week

B5 Foundation: Thursday P5 - Mrs Udeaja

B5 Higher: Thursday P5 - Mrs Elliott

C5 Foundation: Tuesday P5 - Mrs Drummond

C5 Higher: Tuesday P5 - Mrs Shaw

P5 Foundation: Weds/Thurs Lunch - Mr Davis

P5 Higher: Mon/Tues Lunch - Miss Hayes



Rochester News

It has been a busy few weeks in Rochester House, with many of our students putting in a final effort to ensure they get the best results that they can in August. This examination frenzy didn't stop one of our year 11 students approaching me to see if she could deliver an assembly on an issue that is very close to her heart. On Thursday Olivia Bridgen spoke to Rochester House about PETA and focused particularly on the choices that students can make when buying cosmetics, if they want to buy products that are free from animal testing.

Olivia will be doing a bucket collection next week to raise some money to help support the development of ethical testing - a gallant cause which I am sure St. Francis would approve.

In other news, Teenage Cancer Trust have contacted me to say thank you for the £605 we donated to them in April. The House council went over and above expectation in their charity fund raising efforts this Easter and we have already raised a further £150 in the House Charity fund. Special thanks has to be given to Mr Akbar, Mr McCoy, Mr Plane, Miss O'Connor and Luke the Chaplin who joined me in a game of Egg Roulette. Much to the delight of the onlooking crowd myself, Mr McCoy and Luke all ended up with egg on our faces but as always it was for a very good cause; Marie Curie Cancer Care. Next we plan to offer all staff a treat by hosting our third 'Afternoon Tea in the Atrium' in the summer term. A team of waiters and a washing up crew will soon be sought by the House Council and any cake donations will be very gratefully received.
Ms Stevens

Mosque Open Day

Faizan e Madinah Mosque has organised its annual open day on Sunday, 7 May 2017 from 2:30pm to 8pm in the upstairs hall of the mosque. This provides a unique opportunity to see different displays and posters about Islam. There will also be community stalls and the chance to meet with other guests and ask any questions about Islam and Muslim communities from our mosque scholars. Some of our students and their parents are affiliated with the mosque and will be involved in the activities on the day. The aim of this event is to showcase the work of the mosque and intends to bring everyone together to understand each other's point of views.

A light finger buffet will be served at the start of the visit.

Mr Akbar

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