



Election Results

The process of electing our senior student leaders for 2017 has been taking place over the last few weeks and culminated with voting last Friday. I am delighted to announce that the successful candidates were:

- Head Boy: Sam Maxwell
- Head Girls: Afifa Zaman
- Deputy Head Boy: Lexann Souza
- Deputy Head Girl: Suriya Gul

Very many congratulations to these students; I hope that you find the experience rewarding and educational. I am grateful to the other students who also offered to serve the school in this way.

As these students take up their new posts we have to say thank you and farewell to their predecessors: Ciaran Kelly, Daria Raczowska, Ziyad Mohammed and Irina Demba. These students did a sterling job and it is very much appreciated.

Celebration Assemblies

As we approach the end of this long term we will have the usual Celebration Assemblies. These will begin with Beverley House's next Wednesday, followed by Rochester's on Thursday and Cambridge's on Friday. Westminster House will be on Tuesday of the following week.



Sixth Form Taster Day

Year 11 students may have only just completed their PPE exams but are already having to make decisions about where they are going next year. As part of this process we have arranged a Taster Day for them on Monday 19 December. Most students will be in school but some will be going to the Regional College for the day. Students are asked to come to school that day in smart business dress. We have already shared the detail of the day with Year 11 but if there are any further questions please speak to Mrs Wilmore.

Newsletter

Next week's newsletter will be the final one for this term as term ends the following Wednesday. It will include details of the end of term arrangements and for the New Year.

PPE Results

One of the ways in which we aim to make this exam experience as close to the real thing as possible, is to not give students results until we have a formal Results Day. This year this will be on **Tuesday 10 January**. That morning, students will come into school and go straight to the hall as they would on the real results day in August, collecting and opening their personal envelope. This applies to Years 11, 12 and 13. The final parents evening for these students happens the same day. This may mean a tortuous wait over Christmas but this is how it will be in the summer.

Sean Hayes

*St John Fisher, St Thomas More,
All Saints and Sacred Heart schools
invite you to our annual*

CAROL SERVICE

**Wednesday 14 December
6pm in the School Hall
Followed by Refreshments**

HEG Residential Trip

Five of our Year 10 students were invited to Nottingham University for two days. The students, Brooke Muncey, Ali Sina Akhbary, Sami Mohammed, Wanessa Zerella and Stella Smith, first went to Thetford Forest where they participated in some team-building exercises like outdoor laser tag and a low rope challenge. They then made their way to Nottingham University where they were given a tour around the campus and accommodation. Over the two days they listened to three different lectures, took part in quizzes and even experienced the canteen food! Brooke said: "It was a really good experience where we met new people and looked at the option of going to university. I wasn't sure before this residential about *going but now it is a definite consideration!*"

Krazy Kat Theatre Company and our Hearing Hub Service

On Monday 28 November the school hosted a performance of 'Rapunzel and the Witch', by Krazy Kat Theatre company. Deaf students from all over Peterborough were invited and came to the school to watch a magical, musical production, which used puppets and sign language to ensure that everyone could understand and enjoy it.



This production is an annual event in Peterborough, but is the first time that St John Fisher School have hosted it. We did so because in September 2016 we began to deliver a Hearing Hub Service, in conjunction with the Local Authority. This means that we are one of two secondary schools in Peterborough that offers specialist provision for students with a hearing impairment. We will have up to six places in our hub for students and in addition aim to become a centre of excellence for teaching hearing impaired students in mainstream classrooms. Our specialist Higher Level Teaching Assistant is Mrs Shelley Brown, who also took up this post in September. We have already begun a lot of work developing resources for the students in our school and our next step will be to promote deaf friendliness more widely in our school. We have begun this by designing a poster which is displayed in every classroom around the school and gives adults and students tips on how to be more inclusive. Thank you to Natalija Jovkovska and Magdalena Jurdzinska for their work on this. Thank you also to Erik and Nikolas Horvath who, together with Natalija and Magdalena, acted as hosts and school ambassadors during the theatre production.

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Sporting News

Jakub Kurowski was successful in the recent Peterborough Schools Table Tennis event that was held at Jack Hunt this week. Jakub, despite being in year 9, won the Under 16 competition beating everyone in his path to the final. Jakub was the stand out player, applying amazing top, back and sidespin on the ball to bamboozle his opponents. Jakub has a vast array of strokes that he used to good effect to comfortably beat anyone who was unfortunate to be drawn against him. Hopefully Jakub can continue his fine form next week in the Doubles competition. Well Done Jakub!



The Year 7 Basketball team were successful in a Year 7 tournament finishing joint first with Stanground Academy. After losing the first leg 8-6 the boys bounced back well this week with a superb 7-4 win, meaning that the title was shared. Impressive

baskets by De'Shaun Chambers (5) and Rigoberto Gomes (2) ensured the boys went home happy. Well done to all involved.

**Academic Tutoring
12-16 December
Catch up for all Year Groups**

Meal for the Homeless

We will be taking some students to serve a meal to the homeless on Tuesday 13 December with members from Peterborough's Interfaith Council.