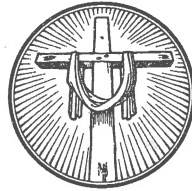




Easter

As we begin to approach the Easter holidays and the start of Holy Week, it is important to remind ourselves what exactly the significance of this two week holiday is. Holy Week is the last week of Lent. And includes Palm Sunday, Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday. It is set aside to remember the last week of Jesus' life.



Palm Sunday is the beginning of Holy Week. It is named "Palm Sunday" because it represents the day that palms and clothing were spread in Jesus' path as he entered Jerusalem before the crucifixion (Matthew 21:7-9). Many churches commemorate the day by recreating that event.

Holy Thursday is the day that the Last Supper was held on and Good Friday occurs the Friday before Easter Sunday, and it is the day in which Jesus Christ was crucified.

Good Friday was originally remembered by fasting and no liturgy occurred on Good Friday. Today Catholics offer readings about the passion, a ceremony of the veneration of the cross, and communion. Protestants often preach of the seven last words of Jesus. Some churches also have prayer at the Stations of the Cross. Holy Saturday is the celebration of Jesus' resurrection and new life. A vigil Mass is usually held in the evening, with music and colour filling the church. The whole liturgy is focused on the joy and salvation that Jesus return brings.

From the Chaplaincy department here at St John Fisher, we wish you a happy Easter and a joyful break.
Luke Turner, Chaplain

Farewell

As we come to the end of term we say goodbye to three of our teachers: Helen Quince, *teacher of History & RE*, Meg Fountain, *Head of PE*, and Jamie Ewen, *Head of History*. I would like to thank them for their work at the school but especially mention Mrs Quince who has been here for over 18 years and has carried out many roles, including being Head of History.

After Easter we welcome Catherine Cox as Head of History and Naz Khan as Head of English.

Summer Term

We return to school on Monday 24 April at the usual time. Please note that this is not a training day, as it is in some other schools, as we had ours in February. This is Week 2 of the timetable.

The following Monday, 1 May, is a Bank Holiday and so school will be closed.

Sean Hayes

Easter Revision Sessions

The following revision sessions will be taking place during the Easter holiday:

Subject	Year	Session	Room
Biology	13	18 Apr 9.00 - 1.00	312
Biology	13	20 Apr 9.00 - 1.00	312
Chemistry	13	12 Apr 10.00 - 12.00	307
Chemistry	12	12 Apr 1.00 - 3.00	307
Chemistry	12	19 Apr 10.00 - 12.00	307
Chemistry	13	19 Apr 1.00 - 3.00	307
Product Design	11	19 Apr 10.00 - 2.00	305
English Resit	12	10 Apr 9.30 - 1.30	111
English Resit	13	10 Apr 9.30 - 1.30	111
English	11	11 Apr 9.00 - 12.00	112
English	10	11 Apr 12.30 - 3.30	112
Health & S/C	12	11 Apr 10.00 - 1.00	103
Health & S/C	12	12 Apr 10.00 - 1.00	103
History	11	12 Apr 10.00 - 1.00	106
ICT/Business	12	19 Apr 10.00 - 2.30	103
ICT/Business	12	20 Apr 10.00 - 2.30	103
ICT/Business	12	21 Apr 10.00 - 2.30	103
RE	12	10 Apr 11.00 - 2.00	208
RE	11	11 Apr 9.00 - 12.00	301
RE	11	11 Apr 9.00 - 12.00	210
RE	11	11 Apr 11.00 - 2.00	208
RE	12	11 Apr 12.20 - 2.30	301
RE	12	13 Apr 9.30 - 12.30	207
RE	11	13 Apr 11.00 - 2.00	208
RE	11	18 Apr 11.00 - 2.00	208
Sports Studies	11	19 Apr 10.00 - 2.00	211



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Cambridge	9897
Beverley	7799
Westminster	6994
Rochester	5149

Celebration Assemblies

Beverley - On Wednesday 5 April Beverley House held their Celebration Assembly to share all the achievements of our students over the last term. An impressive thirty six students collected certificates for 100% attendance, which will undoubtedly have a positive effect on their learning and school achievement. Twenty six students also received their Bronze Award Merit certificates, which means they have collected over one hundred merits so far this year. In addition to this, Emily Taylor, Timurhan Simonais and Kaleem Parris received their Silver Award Merit certificates, having collected over two hundred merits so far! We were very proud to have Beverley students receive subject specific awards too. The following students received Outstanding Achievement awards; Jacky McAlinden and Chiko Manuel for Drama, Jenaë Holton for RE and Ahmed Haider for Computing. We also had learning leaders awarded for Languages, Art & Technology.

We had a collection of Beverley House form awards and individual student awards to celebrate the contributions of our exceptional students. B2 were awarded Best Overall Attendance and B3 were recognised as the form with the most merits. B5 won the Maths Champion and Quizmaster awards, and B3 were awarded the Best Overall Form award, having collected the most merits and loyalty cards and the least amount of behaviour points. Our Student Head of House award went to Urte Cibityte, for her consistently outstanding effort during lessons and form. John Portugal received the Sixth Form Head of House award, as he is a consistent role model to other students in the House. Our Student SSO awards were awarded to Yasoda Thapa and Khadija Mehdi, for being supportive and positive role models, and the Sixth Form SSO went to Adheela Ghous for her optimistic outlook and helpful attitude. Overall we had a great amount of successes to celebrate, and students and staff were left feeling proud of Beverley's accomplishment over the last term. Let's hope that the summer term will bring even more success and achievement!

Miss Devanny

Westminster - It has been a busy time for Westminster House this term. The main highlight came just last week with our Green Day. I would like to thank the following people for their efforts in helping the day be so successful. All of the sixth formers who baked and cooked treats for the stalls and those of you who helped to sell them at break, it was a fantastic effort from you all and the event would not have been possible without your hard work. My thanks to Mrs Reid for her help and support throughout the day. Finally I would like to say thank you to all those who turned up to throw water balloons at me I had no idea I was so popular! The day itself raised £245 and this has been given to Mr Reilly to support the African famine appeal. The celebration assembly was our chance to get together and mark all of your hard work in school this term. I was extremely proud to be awarding gold merit awards for the first time this year, and the number of you that achieved 100% attendance this term was hugely impressive. It has been another busy term and my thanks to all the tutors and students in Westminster for their effort in helping to create a house that we can once again be proud of and for all you achieve in school. Happy Easter to you all.

Mr Davis

Cambridge - This week has been a very busy week for us in Cambridge House. Our Lenten fundraising activity took place on Thursday 6 April. Miss Hayes, Miss White, Mr O'Hara and Mr Byrne, took part in the "I'm a teacher, get me out of here" challenge. Both teams challenged each other to a lunchtime eat-off! On the menu were the following culinary delights: pan fried brain on a bed of rocket, heart smoothie, silk worm and queen leaf cutter ants salad, chilli chapulines & cream cheese crackers and to finish off a palatable trio of mopane worms. The spectacle was watched, and I hesitate to say "enjoyed" by many students. All funds raised will be donated this year to the East Africa Crisis appeal and will go a long way to support the aid that this part of Africa so desperately needs. Thank you to all those who took part and those who have given so generously. On Friday we celebrated all the achievements of our students in Cambridge. The following students were nominated by their form tutors as "Best in Form": Misbah Aurangzeb, Taisha Peplowska, Adama Jalo, Raquel Assis Da Costa Oliveira, Taynara Pinto, Isabel Cuenca, Isabelle Martin and Rean Rosario. This term's "Pride of Cambridge" certificate is awarded to Isabel Cuenca for demonstrating an outstanding attitude to learning in all her subjects. Esra Beyaz, Isabelle Martin, Sarah Spires and Isabel Cuenca received certificates from Computing, History, Media Studies and PE. During the assembly entertainment was provided by Vanessa Abankwa, who danced for us and Gilda Lleshi who sang. Cambridge House wishes you a very holy and happy Easter. *Mrs Helcoop*

Rochester - This week we have ended the term with yet another fantastic celebration of the talent and commitment to learning within Rochester House. Pianist, Sara Sedlak opened our celebration assembly with a performance of the prelude from 'Jesus, My Joy' by J.L. Krebs and the school Dance club entertained us with a performance choreographed by Mrs Young.

Congratulations this term go to Patrycja Mierzejewska, Paulo Rocha, Umar Basharat, Emmi Pollard, Xyzany Valmonte, Marianna Silva, Nayaab Qamar, Amanta Puga who were awarded Best in Form awards for this term and the Best in House award for this term was won by R8. Well done to everyone in R8 for all the quiz points and good behaviour that made this possible.

On Tuesday and Wednesday the Student House Council and six members of staff faced Egg Roulette for the second year to raise money for Teenage Cancer Trust and Marie Currie Cancer Care. Students were able to donate to charity and select an egg that a teacher would risk splatting on their head. Over the two days, three uncooked eggs were broken over the teacher's heads much to the amusement of the whole school. Stalls were also set up by the House Council for a chocolate raffle, Spot the Joker game and a name the giant bunny.

Ms Stevens

Sixth Form

Congratulations to Rianna De Paolo who was given the Star Student Award for this term. During an entertaining assembly students were also awarded for 100% attendance and for other ways in which they have contributed to the C.O.R.A.L. aspects. If you are the parent of a Sixth Form student, ask them to explain C.O.R.A.L! *Mrs Wilmore*