



Congratulations

Congratulations to Rev Father Adam Sowa who celebrated 25 years of priesthood at his Silver Jubilee on Tuesday this week. Father Adam was ordained on 14 May 1994 and has served in Kakolowka, Debowiec, Krakow, Dagenham, Goodmayes and Peterborough. I'd also like to take this opportunity to thank Father Adam for all he does for St John Fisher especially coming into school early every Tuesday morning to celebrate Mass with us. We congratulated him after Mass on Tuesday morning and presented him with a card. The whole school community wishes him well for the next 25 years.

Family

The theme in school this week was 'Who is my family?' and each house assembly developed this idea showing that every form group and house is like a family as is our school. I particularly enjoyed the assembly led by Miss Meagher's form group - W2 which focussed on the World Day of Families and the idea that families come in many forms and love is at the centre of a family. In addition to this what has struck me over the past three weeks is the way students and staff support each other just like a family does. I have seen students mentoring and helping each other and staff giving their time to support students through exams and other difficult times. It is these aspects of the school that make us a family.

Good Luck

Continued best wishes to all of our students who are taking public exams. This week has gone very smoothly and students are continuing to revise and prepare well for each exam. We have also been mindful of students in Year 6 at our feeder primary schools taking their SATs this week and hope they have gone well. Please remember that students need to eat and sleep well during exams. Breakfast is available every morning in the hall between 8am – 8.25am, it is open to anybody and it is free.

Half Term

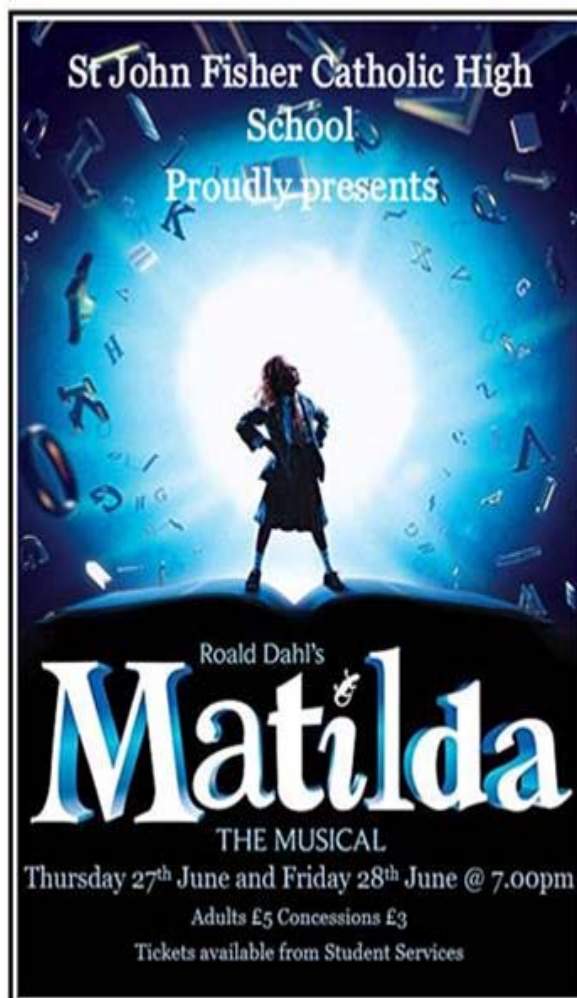
Since Easter was so late this year, we only have one more week until we break up for half term which will be next Friday 24 May. Students will have one week off and must return to school on Monday 3 June when GCSE and A' level exams continue.

June is a very busy month because in addition to public exams we have also got a parents evening on 11 June for Years 7, 10 and 12 and PPEs for Years 7, 8 and 9 in the week beginning the 17 June. In addition we have our Celebration of Achievement evening on 25 June and school production of Matilda in the same week to look forward to!

Kate Pereira



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Updates - Summer Term Humanities Faculty Visits

Year 7 Ferry Meadows

Ninety six students have now returned permission slips and monies for the June visits to Ferry Meadows. Geography teachers continue to remind those students where a response is still outstanding. Are they your child?

Year 8 Hunstanton

Seventy one students have returned permission slips for this visit. Nine places remain available for the sixty two students who have decided that being in school is actually a better way to spend a hot June day, than working on the beach with the Geography department!

Year 9 Wicksteed Park

Seventy nine students have been quick off the mark returning permission slips and monies for this Focus Day activity on the 15 July. This visit is now completely full. We are chasing wristband payments from a few of those students, who might be asking you for the outstanding £10.

Whole School Residential - North Wales

Monday 8 July – Friday 12 July

A gentle reminder, that all outstanding payments for the visit to North Wales are due by 24 May - **Next Week**. Planning for this residential is now almost complete, with visits to Beaumaris, Penrhyn and Conwy Castles all confirmed. We now wait for the warmer and drier weather to settle in, in order to make the mountain and beach activities as pleasurable as possible.

There will be a short parent information evening for those students travelling to Wales, which will be held from 5.30-6pm on Wednesday 3 July. Arrangements for this visit, including itineraries and kit lists will be discussed in more detail at that time.

The annual visit to Wales is always regarded by those attending as one of the most memorable and rewarding activities they do in their time at St John Fisher and I am pleased that we will be offering this trip again in 2020 – letters coming in September!

Cool Summer

*Here it comes,
Ready or not.
Summer's coming,
And it's going to be hot!*

*Summer is the time
Just to be free.
Run in the fields
With unbearable glee.
Chill by the shore,
Or sunbathe on the sand.
Have a dip in the sea
Or relax and get tanned.*

*Summer is a time
Of all the joy and play.
But can you believe,
It's even better in Conwy!*



PARENTS EVENING

On 11 June 2019
from 2.30pm to 6.30pm

For Years 7, 10 and 12

Online booking now available

Academic Tutoring Year 8 20 May – 7 June

Work Experience

Good luck to all Year 10 students who go out on Work Experience next week. We wish them every success and hope that they take the opportunity to learn new skills. Can we please remind parents that if a child is unwell and unable to attend their placement you must contact school and the placement.

Students studying Travel and Tourism need to come into school as usual on Monday in full school uniform at 8.40am. They will begin their placement on Tuesday 21 May. The employers of these students have been informed about these arrangements.

Students studying Business will complete their placements on Thursday 23 May and are expected to attend school at 8.40am in full school uniform on Friday 24 May in order to complete their Business Studies examination. These students will be given a letter to take to their placements so their employers are aware. Thank you very much to Mrs Roe and Miss Smart who have spent hours of their time phoning and emailing employers and chasing students. Their help and support is greatly appreciated.

We look forward to celebrating all the students' achievements after half term.



Your Year 11
Study Room
Period 5
Wednesday and Thursday

ROOM 211

Positive
Preparation
Production
Planning
Progress

Ofsted
Good
Provider