



Papal Nuncio Visits St John Fisher

On Monday we were very privileged to welcome the Papal Nuncio, Archbishop Edward Adams, Bishop Alan Hopes and Monsignor Brady to our school. The Papal Nuncio is the Pope's representative in Great Britain and spreads Pope Francis' messages. Archbishop Adams came to Peterborough as part of a four day visit to the East Anglia Diocese and decided to visit St John Fisher and St Thomas More on the same day. The visit began with a meeting with Faith leaders from across Peterborough which focussed on shared hopes and values for the world. In attendance were Zahid Akbar from the Peterborough Inter Faith Council and the Faizan Madina Mosque, the Anglican Bishop of Brixworth, teacher Kelsang Rak-Ma from the Drolma Kadampa Buddhist Centre, Iman Shanawaz and Razahusein Rahim from the Husseini Islamic Centre and Ian Harman from St Peter and All Souls Catholic church. Archbishop Adams brought them greetings from Pope Francis. "Pope Francis is very much interested in what you do and in this type of inter faith dialogue," he said. "Dialogue comes from the respect we have for each other and the love of what is true and what is good. Shortly after his election, Pope Francis called for more inter-religious dialogue as a way of building bridges. "The word Pontiff means bridge builder - someone who helps people connect and not divide. He sees his role as building bridges and establishing real links of friendship between people, especially those who believe in God. "The Pope encourages every effort between people of different faiths for positive relations and constructive interaction. So I am happy to be here and offer you the best wishes of Pope Francis and to commend you for working together and bringing people closer to God," said Archbishop Adams. The Nuncio then celebrated Mass in our chapel with some of our staff and students in which he talked about the importance of love. "When God loves us it changes us, we can't be the same afterwards. We respond to his love and show our love for him, which can be seen in the way we respond to God and love each other." "Jesus tells us that love is not just in words, it is also in deeds. Loving God means doing what he wants us to - doing his will. His will and my will together." After lunch some of our sixth Form students spent some time with Archbishop Adams asking him questions about his role. It was a great honour for our school. There is a link to a published article about this below and more information on our school website with some more photographs of the visit. www.rcdea.org.uk



Photo of Papal Nuncio with Sixth Form students in the Atrium

Half Term

Year 10 have been on work experience this week which has gone very well and Years 11 and 13 continue to have their exams. It is Half Term next week and this will be an important time for revision for those taking public exams. Thank you to staff and students for the hard work you have all put in to this half term. Have a good week off and we will see you back at school refreshed and ready for the next 7 weeks! Students are required to be back in school on Monday 3 June and it will be week 1.

Kate Pereira

Examinations

Examinations carry on after half-term and students are encouraged to use the week to revise effectively. In order to support this the half-term revision programme is as follows:

Tuesday 28 May: Media – Room 105 (10.30am-2.30pm)

Wednesday 29 May: English (IENI) – Room 112 (10am-2pm)

Thursday 30 May: Science (9am- 12noon)

Thursday 30 May: Media* – Room 105 (10.30am-2.30pm) *Media students attending Science should go to Media until 10.30am

Friday 31 May: Maths – Foundation Room 202, Higher room 212 (9am – 11.30am)

Friday 31 May: History* – Room 108 (10am-12noon) *History students attending Maths should go to History at 10am

Mobile phones MUST be turned off and in school bags, or handed in to Students Services or staff during examinations

Year 7 Brilliant Club

The Year 7 Brilliant Club had their Project Showcase at The Peterborough Museum last Monday.

Twelve Students from St John Fisher School have been working on their 'All About me Project' which involved a 750 word autobiography and an 'inspirational' shoebox design to represent themselves. Two of these boxes have been selected as 'outstanding' and will be kept on display at The Peterborough Museum for the next two weeks.



EU Settlement Scheme

The EU settlement scheme is for EEA and Swiss citizens, and non-EU family members.

You have until 30 June 2021 to apply, or 31 December 2020, in the event of a no-deal.

It is a 3-step process which is FREE.

You need to complete a short online application form at gov.uk/apply-eu-settled-status.

Peterborough Passport Office will verify your ID if you cannot scan it. In Peterborough, both GLADCA and PARCA can give you help and information. The City Council will also help.

For further information, you can contact Ms Roberts at school: lindsay.roberts@stjohnfisherschool.org.uk or telephone: 01733 343646.

Academic Tutoring
Year 8
20 May - 7 June

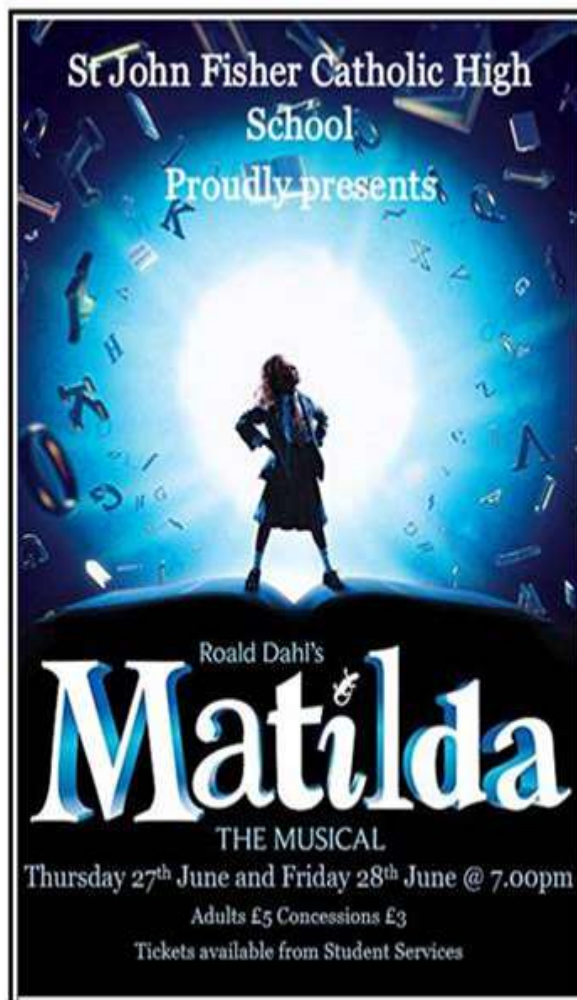


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website: www.stjohnfisherschool.org.uk
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Space Centre Reminder

Please can we remind parents of Year 7 students that the permission slips and payment of £16.50 for the trip to the National Space Centre on 15 July should be returned by the end of the month but the earlier the better. This is going to be a fantastic, fun, educational day out at a very keen price... (unless of course you'd prefer to stay in school on a hot July day...?)



Year 10 Interview By-election candidates

Elizabeth Lukenuk and Talia Buckley attended a Peterborough Youth Council event last week which gave them an opportunity to grill Peterborough by-election candidates. They asked questions about Brexit, education funding and community cohesion amongst other things. Well done to the girls for taking part and challenging our politicians.

