



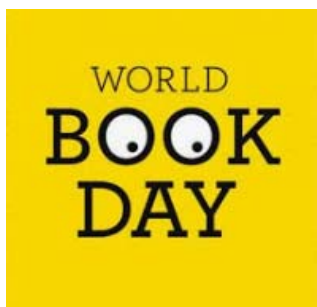
## Sad News

We heard sad news last weekend about an ex Deputy Headteacher of St John Fisher, Ken Brown who sadly died last week. Many ex students who are now adults will remember Mr Brown with fond memories of somebody who cared deeply about education and about the students he taught. Mr Brown attended both the 50<sup>th</sup> and 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations of our school and was pivotal in building the school community in its early day. Our deepest condolences go to his family and we know he will be missed. May he rest in peace.

## World Book Day

Yesterday was World Book Day and it was a great pleasure to see members of staff dressed up for the day in characters and themes from books and activities taking place for students across school to encourage reading.

My thanks to all involved, those who dressed up and ran activities and to Mrs Meagher who organised the day.



## Sports Festival and Banding Together

We have also had other events this week where our students have represented the school in an exemplary fashion, one of which has been the Inclusion Sports Festival and the other the Banding Together music project. More about both of these will be shared separately. My thanks to all students and staff involved – very well done!

*Kate Pereira*

**Academic Tutoring  
Year 11  
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## In memoriam: Ken Brown

We unfortunately learned last week of the sad death of Mr Kenneth Brown, aged 90 years old, after a short illness. Ken was the first Deputy Head Teacher of St John Fisher School until his retirement in 1991. It is the intention of the family to hold a requiem mass at St Peters and All Souls Church, to which anyone who knew Ken is invited. Rosie Roe is a former pupil of Mr Brown and works at the school as one of our Receptionists. She wrote the following tribute:

“I was lucky enough to be at St John Fisher while Mr Brown was the Deputy Head. As a Deputy Head he was firm but always fair. As a teacher, his passion was History and he loved sharing this with the students. Another one of his passions was sailing and I remember going on a school trip to Ferry Meadows, where he took us sailing. I remember being scared as I had never gone sailing before but he made it look easy and he made it so much fun.

As a teenager I can remember going into school early so I could catch up with my friends, however Mr Brown would always catch us out, so instead of wasting our time chatting he said we should do something more useful, like setting out the chairs for Assembly or Mass! I have great memories of Mr Brown, which include his beloved old, brown BMW; when he finally traded it in, he bought another brown BMW with personalised plates, I never knew anyone then with personalised plates!

I thought I would add a few more comments from other past students who have added their condolences on the SJF Facebook page: “Great teacher”; “Good Deputy Head”; “fantastic deputy head”; “most respected deputy head; “brilliant teacher”; “a nice man”; “immaculately dressed and one of my favourite teachers”.

As an adult, I will remember Mr Brown with fond memories, not only as a great teacher and Deputy Head but also as a kind and well-respected man. I feel blessed to have been taught by him and to have known him.”



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## Focus Day: Friday 13 March

Next week is the second Focus Day of the year. The arrangements are outlined below:

Year	Activity	Registration
7	Big Bang Festival STEM Activities	8.00 am tennis courts 8.40 Classrooms
8	Day trip to France or RE reflection day	2.45am Car Park 8.40 Hall
9	Literature through the ages	8.40 Classrooms
10	Is this me? Visit to Anglia Ruskin University and UCP	8.40 Classrooms
11	Magical Maths!	8.40 Classrooms
12	Personal Safety	8.40 Atrium
13	Wellbeing Day	Hall

Students are reminded that they can check which classroom they are registering in by looking at the lists outside the Dining Hall, which will be displayed from Thursday morning.

Additional information for Year 7 students going to the Big Bang Festival:

- Wear full school uniform
- A packed lunch will be required, free school meal students will collect lunch from teachers that morning
- All students to be in school ready to be registered on the tennis court by 8.00
- Return to school by 4.30pm.
- Students can bring money to buy snacks but need to be aware it might be very expensive at the venue

Additional Information for year 13 students:

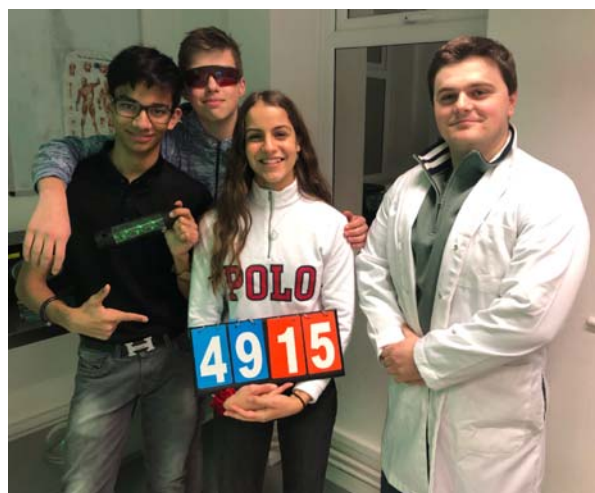
- Wear comfortable, casual clothing
- Day will finish at 2.00pm

## Year 11 History Theatre Trip

On Thursday last week, a group of year 11s students went to the Y Theatre in Leicester to watch 'Hitler on Trial'. The afternoon opened with a grade booster workshop. Students were shown the thinking behind the GCSE exam and were given advice to make the most of their knowledge and skills. The workshop was followed by a mock trial in which we had to imagine that Hitler had been captured in 1942 and brought to trial on series of charges. Through this, students revised how Hitler came to power and life in Nazi Germany. It was a very useful workshop and helped students revise for their exam in a different way.

## CCF – The Great Escape!

Last Friday, the cadets met at Escape Peterborough, where four teams were allocated to a different escape room, the aim being to develop their teamwork and leadership skills, which are vital in a successful CCF career. These rooms consisted of puzzles and questions that had to be completed in order to acquire codes for locks, which led to the next clue, all of this needing to be completed in under one hour. The rooms that were completed by the cadets included: 'Contagious', 'Witchcraft and Wizardry', '221B Baker Street' and 'Cabin'. The feedback on the escape room experience was positive, with many wanting to do it again as a contingent!



## Gardening Club



Gardening Club takes place on Tuesday after school at 3.30pm. Students will need to bring old clothes, a sensible

coat and shoes that can cope with mud!! Next week we will be lining our pond and thinking about how to landscape the wildlife garden. All students are welcome.

## Wellbeing Week #beeu

Next week is Well-being week. Our #beeu group have been speaking in assemblies this week and launching our new wellbeing logo. Next week there are lots of activities available including mindfulness, yoga, vegan food tasting and work on environmental awareness. There is also a wellbeing theme running through our Key Stage 4 and 5 wellbeing activities.

