

Parentmail 18.06.21

Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy St John Fisher Feast Day! We are rather glad to be inside on a rather wet morning. I am sure that all students are going to have an enjoyable day.

Elsewhere, it has been a very busy week in school as we are finalising the assessment grades for Year 11 and Year 13. I am also pleased to report that the move to one site has been very successful.

God Bless.

Mrs Lennon

Summer School

All current pupils are being invited into the school for one day over the summer holidays. The day will include a focus on study skills as well as lots of activities such as music, art, cooking, sport and teamwork. The day will be free of charge. An online form will be coming out soon for parents to book a place onto the summer school.

Pick up and Drop Off on Perry Street

We would like to ask parents and carers to try not to use Perry Street to drop off or collect your children. There have been complaints about damage to vehicles and the disturbance caused for residents.

Thank you in advance for your understanding.

Praise and Rewards

Over the course of the academic year, and during lockdown, staff members have been awarding praise points to students who are working well and putting in great effort in class. Many of you will have received automated emails informing you of this praise, especially over lock down. As students receive praise points, they move up 'tiers' ranging from Bronze though to Diamond. At each stage there is an acknowledgement of students' achievements ranging from certificates to pens.

We are really proud of the efforts our students have made: over 550 students have moved onto at least the Bronze tier and nearly 200 have moved to Diamond tier! I would like to thank all our students and parents for the hard work that we are recognising with this reward scheme. I have included some information about the rewards and tiers below so that you are fully aware. I hope you will enjoy joining with us in celebrating your child's success at school.

Tier	Reward	Method of Delivery
Bronze	Certificate	Email to parents/carers email address
Silver	Certificate	Hard copy sent home in post
Gold	Lapel Badge	Presented to student by Head of Year
Diamond	Pen	Presented to student by Head of Year

Bronze Certificate

Learning
Self



St. John Fisher
CATHOLIC COMPREHENSIVE SCHOOL

God

Environment
Others

Bronze Praise Award

Awarded to

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For achieving 50 points by consistently demonstrating the 5 respects

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Date

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Signature

Silver Certificate

Learning
Self
God
Others
Environment



St. John Fisher
CATHOLIC COMPREHENSIVE SCHOOL

Silver Praise Award

Awarded to
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For achieving 75 points by consistently demonstrating the 5 respects

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Date

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Signature

Gold Lapel Badge and Diamond Pen



Year 11 into Sixth Form Induction

It is an exciting time for Year 11 as they move into the next stage of their education in Sixth Form. The three day induction is taking place next week on 21st-23rd June.

This is a wonderful opportunity for students to start studying their A Level and Level 3 courses and get a head start before they join us in September. There will be taster sessions for subjects as well as talks for university, NCS, our Oxbridge Programme, Medic and Leadership Programmes and study guidance to aid their transition.

We look forward to seeing them for this induction. If you have any further questions, please contact Mrs. Bailey at the school on e.bailey@stjohnfisher.school.

Up Beat! Singing Club

So far, our KS3 singing club has been running online with the music teacher on TEAMS and the pupils in school. We are excited to announce that as of this coming Tuesday (18th May) the sessions will be face to face with the music teacher coming into school. This will be done following all the government and school guidelines around social distancing.

Thank you to all of the fabulous singers who are attending already. If any other Year 7 or 8 pupils would like to join, please email Mr Bowers (s.bowers@stjohnfisher.school) for more details.

Medway Youth Service's Summer Program

Medway Youth Service's Summer Program is now available on our [website](#). The range of activities on offer include planning Summer Dayz, park-based activities, where young people aged 8+ can join in with a range of multi-sports, games, arts and crafts and other activities.

We are also running a selection of bookable group work projects including:

- Street Soccer Multi-Sports
- Guitar Jam
- Design your own game
- Arts and crafts
- Skateboard design
- The Big Camp
- SHINE activity days (for young people with additional needs)

Places can be booked for young people by clicking here to complete this [form](#).

On top of this, most of our existing program will continue to run. Details are available [here](#) and interest can be registered [here](#)

If you would like to keep up to date with the what the Youth Service doing, we have a [quarterly newsletter](#) (subscription is available at the bottom of the page)

Roy Smith | Operations Manager | Medway Council – Youth Service

Covid Testing: Lateral Flow Testing at Home

Your daughter/son should have received a new test kit.

Each box contains the items for 7 home tests and an instruction booklet. The following NHS video guidance is also useful in explaining how to conduct the test at home –

<https://youtu.be/S9XR8RZxKNo>.

It is advised that a test is conducted twice a week. We suggest the test is taken every Sunday and Wednesday evening. You are required to report the result of home lateral tests using the Covid-19 test result website (<https://www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result>) regardless if the test result is positive, negative or void.

As a school, we are also asked to track this information, so we ask that you please complete the following form to log your child's result – <https://stjohnfisher.school/wp-content/Covid-Result-Login/> . This is so that we can keep a record and advise you of the next steps if needed. Your child will need to use their normal school 'log-in' to access the site and their normal school password.

These lateral flow tests are for students with no symptoms only. If your child develops symptoms at any time, such as a high temperature; a new, continuous cough; or a loss or change to their sense of smell or taste, they must immediately self-isolate, and you will need to book a test by calling 119 or visiting <https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirustest> .

If your child's result from a lateral flow test or a PCR test is positive, please ensure you contact the school's attendance officer immediately.

Along with the other protective measures we are taking, these tests will help staff and students to remain in school safely. Up to one third of people who have coronavirus experience no symptoms. By testing we will help to stop the virus spread and help to keep our school open as safely as possible. The test is voluntary, but I would encourage everyone to take it.

Year 9, 10 and 12 Exams

Please note that Year 9, 10 and 12 students will complete end-of-year exams in the week beginning 21st June. Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, students will stay in their timetabled lessons to complete these exams rather than going to the exam hall.

It is really important that students take these exams seriously; we are still waiting for next year's certification arrangements to be finalised and it is possible that some sort of teacher assessed grades based on prior assessments like these may be used again.

Timetables will be sent out to students next week.