



# St. Julie's Catholic High School

## Weekly Newsletter

Week Beginning 1<sup>st</sup> November 2021

### Forthcoming Dates for your Diary

**1<sup>st</sup> November**  
Return from Half Term Break

**10<sup>th</sup> November**  
World Science Day

**11<sup>th</sup> November**  
Sixth Form Virtual Parents' Event



### Remembering Ms Duffy

On Thursday this week, students across school were invited to celebrate Ms Duffy's bold and bubbly personality by adding a red accessory to their uniforms. Students also brought donations to raise funds for Marie Curie. We would like to thank parents and other members of the public for their kind words, cards and messages of support, in advance of our formal memorial service taking place after the half term break.



### Civic Recognition for Selfless Student

We would like to congratulate Alicia in Year 11 who has been awarded a trophy and certificate by Halewood Town Council in recognition of her selfless community work during the pandemic lockdowns. Her efforts during a frightening time for her community were very much appreciated. Well done Alicia!



### Runners Take On The Midweek League

Congratulations to our team of Year 7 and 8 cross country runners who competed in the midweek league this week. Over 100 runners contested the race for Year 7 and 8 girls, and we've got a special 'well done' to Georgina in Year 7 who finished in a highly competitive overall seventh place!

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## Masks Return After Half Term

Liverpool City Council have asked us to [circulate this letter to all parents](#), concerning simple measures that are to be taken to help reduce the transmission of Covid-19. To support these measures, we are asking all students and staff to return to bringing their face coverings into school to wear in corridors and circulation areas. This will take effect from 1st November, straight after half term. Thank you for helping to prevent further disruption to our day to day learning.



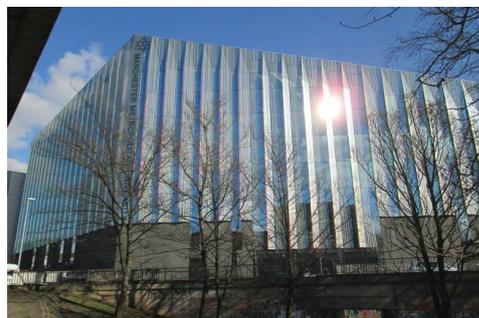
## NHS Virtual Open Days

On Monday 25th October and Tuesday 26th October there is a virtual 'Taste of the NHS' event. The event is aimed at students from 14-18 and the programme is virtual so places are unlimited, but you will need to complete an application form, which you can do [here](#).



## See Me, Be Me

We were pleased to welcome Rachel Kearney and Dawn Morris representing the Anthony Walker Foundation, who joined students in Year 10 to deliver the 'See Me, Be Me' programme - a campaign run in partnership with M&S Bank which aims to profile leaders from Black and diverse communities.



## Degree Apprenticeships Presentation

This morning Sixth Form students enjoyed a presentation by Manchester Met University to signpost them to Post 18 progression paths. Degree apprenticeships are a new type of programme offered by some universities. Students can achieve a full bachelor's or master's degree as part of their apprenticeship. These programmes are being developed by employers, universities, and professional bodies working in partnership and combine working with studying part-time at a university. You can read more about what else they discovered [here](#).

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### Turn Up The Volumes!

We received a very welcome surprise delivery in school this week courtesy of the lovely people at National Book Tokens. During the summer, Mr Shaw in the English department entered a competition saying why the students at St. Julie's deserved some new books. He clearly made a good case as we have received three heavy boxes chock full of contemporary fiction. Thank you National Book Tokens!



### Reporting of Bonfires and Bonfire Materials

Students in Year 9 benefitted from a talk from Merseyside Fire and Rescue service this week about bonfire and firework safety. You too can help with fire safety this year by reporting bonfires, void properties, fly tipped bonfire materials and other matters bonfire related. Merseyside Fire and Rescue Service are asking for reports to be emailed to [operationbanger2021@merseyfire.gov.uk](mailto:operationbanger2021@merseyfire.gov.uk). In addition to this, Fire Service Direct can also be contacted on 0151 296 4003 or by email at [fireservicedirect@merseyfire.gov.uk](mailto:fireservicedirect@merseyfire.gov.uk)



### OPAL - October Half Term Activities

The #OPAL holiday activity programme is a packed half term programme bursting with great activities and delicious meals every day for children in receipt of benefits related free school meals. You can [find more information here](#).



### Financial Support

Liverpool City Council have sent us some helpful resources to share with parents who may be struggling to make ends meet, including contact details for benefits advice, debt management, free school meals, housing and more. You can [read all about it here](#).

### Careers Updates

This week we'll give a last big push to the NHS virtual taster events taking place during the half term. Find the links at [our Careers website](#).

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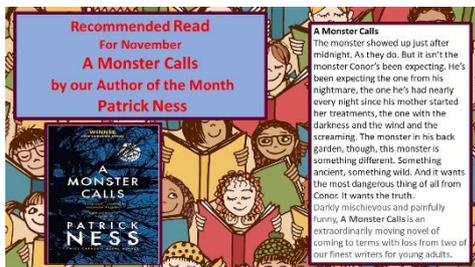
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## November Recommended Read

Our recommended read for October is 'A Monster Calls' by our author of the month, Patrick Ness.

*"The monster showed up just after midnight. As they do. But it isn't the monster Conor's been expecting. He's been expecting the one from his nightmare, the one he's had nearly every night since his mother started her treatments, the one with the darkness and the wind and the screaming. The monster in his back garden, though, this monster is something different. Something ancient, something wild. And it wants the most dangerous thing of all from Conor. It wants the truth. Darkly mischievous and painfully funny, **A Monster Calls** is an extraordinarily moving novel of coming to terms with loss from two of our finest writers for young adults."*

## KS3 Assessment 2021-22

Please [click here](#) for an overview of the KS3 Assessment Framework.

## Remote Education

From September 2021 schools must continue to provide remote education for students who must self-isolate due to Covid-19. A copy of the school policy on Remote Education can be [found here](#).



## SEND Support Helplines

Helplines for Settings and Families  
In response to the current coronavirus pandemic, Liverpool

Local Authority's SEND Support Services would like to offer advice and support to our settings and families during this difficult time.

## SENISS Helpline: 07591837693

If your child has special educational needs and you are wanting to know more on how to support their learning at home then please ring for professional advice, support or practical strategies.

Monday: 1pm – 4pm, Wednesday:

9am – 4pm, Friday: 9am – 12pm

Alternatively, you can email your concern to [seniss@liverpool.gov.uk](mailto:seniss@liverpool.gov.uk)

## Educational Psychology Service Helpline: 0151 233 5978

If you are concerned about your child's emotional wellbeing or managing their behaviour then please ring for professional advice, support or practical strategies.

Monday to Friday: 9am – 4.30pm

Alternatively, you can email your concern to

[epsadmin@liverpool.gov.uk](mailto:epsadmin@liverpool.gov.uk)

## ASD Training Team:

07522800193/07515501854

Advice and strategies for families of children and young people with autism or social communication needs.

Monday to Friday: 9am – 12pm

Alternatively, you can email your concern to

[ASDtrainingteam@liverpool.gov.uk](mailto:ASDtrainingteam@liverpool.gov.uk)

## Children's Occupational Therapy Service

Please contact the Children's <https://learnliveuk.com/network-rail-secondary-school-safety-talk/OccupationalTherapist> who is supporting the child for advice or alternatively for general enquiries please email [chot@liverpool.gov.uk](mailto:chot@liverpool.gov.uk)

## Liverpool Sensory Service

Please contact the Sensory Specialist Teacher who is supporting the child for advice or alternatively for general enquiries please email

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## Parent Chat Live

[Action for Children Parent Chat](#) is a free and confidential live chat with a qualified parenting coach in the UK. Staff are there to talk about family life, caring for children or managing your wellbeing as a parent. The chat service is a safe space for a parent to share their concerns. There will be someone to listen, take time to understand a parent's situation, and work with the parent to find possible solutions. If appropriate, they may suggest ideas for where to get extra support.

## Liverpool Citizens Support Scheme

If you find yourself in crisis you can apply for support to get food and basic necessities for you and your family including gas and electric vouchers (urgent needs) and furniture and household essentials (home needs).

An emergency or crisis might be a fire or flood, or you have had to move due to violence or fear of violence, or you are leaving care or prison and need support to stay in the community. There are [more details available here](#).

## Domestic Abuse:

There is clear evidence that nationally and locally the frequency of incidences of domestic abuse have increased during periods of lockdown. If you or someone you know is suffering from domestic abuse then the following resources will be of use:

- Merseyside Police provide a range of [local and national helplines](#), including a vital resource for adults '[#It's abuse](#)'.
- The [Bright Sky app](#) is an excellent resource for victims of domestic abuse.
- The [Hideout](#) resources provide support for children who have witnessed or suffered from domestic abuse

Members of the Safeguarding Team are in school every day during lockdown and can be contacted in the usual way, with the [safeguarding@stjulies.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@stjulies.org.uk) email address being the best way to make contact out of hours.

## Mental Well-being Support

Children and young people, parents and carers in crisis can call the **Alder Hey CAMHS crisis care line** 24 hours a day, seven days a week on 0151 293 3577 or freephone 0808 196 3550. They should only present to Accident Emergency Department if they need medical treatment or are struggling to keep themselves safe in the immediate moment.

**Anxiety UK** – Charity providing support if you have been diagnosed with anxiety  
**Phone: 03444 775 774 (mon to Fri 9.30am-5.30pm)**

**CALM** – Campaign against living Miserably, for Men ages 15-35  
**Phone: 0800 58 58 58 (daily 5pm-midnight)**

**Mental Health Foundation** – support for mental health concerns  
<https://www.mentalhealth.org.uk>

**MIND** – Meeting mental health needs  
**Phone: 0300 123 3393 (Mon-Fri, 9.00am-6.00pm)**

**No Panic** – support line for panic attacks and OCD  
**Phone: 0844967 4848 (daily 10.00am-10.00pm)**

**Give Us A Shout**  
Immediate support by text for people of all ages.  
<https://giveusashout.org/>  
**Text 'SHOUT' to 85258**

**PAPYRUS** – Suicide prevention team  
**Phone: 0800 068 4141 (mon – Fri, 10.00am – 5.00pm, 7.00pm - 10.00pm, weekends, 2.00pm-5.00pm)**

**Rethink Mental Illness** – supporting mental health all ages.  
**Phone: 0300 5000 927 (Mon -Fri, 9.30am-4.00pm)**

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**Samaritans** – supporting those experiencing feelings of despair  
**Phone: 116 123 (free 24 hour helpline)**

## Kooth Guidance for Adults

Kooth is a free, online self-referral counselling service for young people that has had some really positive feedback. The guide for adults, [available here](#), gives more information about the kinds of services that young people can access and explains about how the system works.

## Covid Reporting

Please continue to review the [information sent out each week in the bulletin](#) with regard to the importance of notifying school immediately if your child tests positive for COVID-19. Please continue to contact school in any of the normal ways - the main switchboard (0151 428 6421) during working hours; or [reception@stjulies.org.uk](mailto:reception@stjulies.org.uk) or [safeguarding@stjulies.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@stjulies.org.uk) for out of hours notifications. School have taken all reasonable steps to raise awareness of this. Thank you.

## Microsoft Office 365 Licencing

All students at St. Julie's are licenced to install the Microsoft Office 365 suite on up to five computers at home at no cost. You can find out more about how to complete the installation in this [remote learning guide](#).

All parent/carers can access the school's Covid-19 risk assessment [here](#).

| COVID-19 (coronavirus) absence: A quick guide for parents / carers   | What to do if...  | Action needed  | Back to school...  |
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