



St. Julie's Catholic High School

Weekly Newsletter

Week beginning 4th May

Forthcoming Dates for your Diary

4th May
May Day Bank Holiday

11th May
Public examinations begin

22nd May
Year 13 Leavers' Mass



Congratulations to the Brilliant Club!

Congratulations to our latest successful students in the Brilliant Club who celebrated the end of their programme with a graduation at Manchester University! This year's cohort saw students in Year 7 exploring biological science as 'disease detectives' whilst students in Year 8 were making a study of literary theory. The programme equips the students with transferable analysis and research techniques that will help inform their future studies. Well done to them all!



Medals Again for Swimmer Emmie!

Congratulations to Emmie in 8 Nugent who has medalled twice at the North West Regional Swimming Championships in Manchester at the weekend. Emmie's powerful swims earned her a bronze medal in the 100m butterfly and a fantastic gold in the 50m butterfly!



Victory on the Golf Course for Scout!

Congratulations to Scout in Year 9 who competed in the Lancashire Schools Girls' U15 Golf Championship at Grange Park in Lancashire, and won! We're proud to say that whilst Scout normally represents her home club, for this competition she was representing her school, making this the first time

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that St. Julie's has been represented in competitive golf and also our maiden victory at the first time of asking! Congratulations to Scout and good luck to her as she progresses to the national competition as a result of her fantastic win!



Year 7 and 8 Mathematicians Take On The UKMT Challenge!

On Wednesday this week students from years 7 and 8 took part in the UKMT Junior Maths Challenge. This is a challenge that is designed to encourage mathematical reasoning, precision of thought and fluency to make students think and is taken by schools internationally. While the problems are mostly accessible they also provide a good challenge whilst promoting careful thinking and problem-solving! Top scoring participants are awarded Bronze, Silver or Gold certificates, and we are keeping our fingers crossed for when the results come in in a few weeks time! Good luck to all who took part!



Former Head Girl Returns with Careers Advice!

On Wednesday we welcomed former Head Girl, and now Doctor, Megan Lester back into St Julie's to speak to Year 12 students about her route into Medicine and her career journey so far. Megan was

able to draw on her experience of studying at Newcastle University - and the challenging application process - to give valuable insights to our students. We'd like to thank Megan for taking the time from her very busy schedule to come back and see us!



New Sports Leaders Commence Training!

On Thursday morning a group of fifteen Year 10 students gathered to complete the first session of the LLSP Leadership course which, if successful, will lead to a 1st4sport Level 1 Award for Activators. The first session focussed on team building and leadership, their importance and how to create effective drills. Good luck to the students for the rest of their course!



It IS Rocket Science!

Students in Science Club have been studying the practical application of thrust with some balloon rocket racing! Competitors honed their designs using the basic materials of balloons and straws to race along a string track. The jury is still out as to whether a one or two balloon propulsion system is most advantageous but experimentation continues!

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Student finance and affordable living at university

Being independent is freeing, but it can also be expensive! Unifrog is offering a webinar on Tuesday 9th June at 4.30pm to support students aspiring to progress to HE and parents / carers. The webinar includes information about loans, scholarships and bursaries, and how to enjoy the university experience on a budget! Find out more information and [sign up here](#). Don't forget to add it to your phone calendar so you don't forget to attend!



Exploring Menstrual Health with LFC Foundation

On Friday we welcomed in a team from the LFC Foundation to deliver one-off workshop sessions with small groups of students across Year 9 exploring menstrual health and gaining a better understanding of some of the physiology that takes place during the cycle. Thanks to Ali and Lily for delivering some really accessible and engaging sessions.



Support Services from River Young People

River Young People Support Services provides free and confidential support for young people impacted by drug or alcohol use. They work closely with schools to offer accessible, student-centred support and aim to make referrals and engagement as straightforward as possible, whether they are using substances themselves presently or in the past – or feel effected by someone else's substance misuse. You can find [more information here](#).



Responsible Parking

Please [click here to read a copy of a letter](#) circulated by Mrs McCourt last week referring to parking and stopping whilst picking up and dropping off students.



Punctuality Procedures at St Julie's

At St Julie's, we believe punctuality is crucial for a successful and positive school day. Arriving on time ensures every pupil is ready to learn and minimises disruption for all.
Why Is Punctuality So Important?

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- Sets good routines for life
 - Ensures no learning is missed
 - Minimises disruption for others
- You can read our [punctuality procedures in detail here](#).

100%	0 days	0 lessons missed
99%	1 day	6 lessons missed
98%	3 days	18 lessons missed
97%	1 week	30 lessons missed
96%	1.5 weeks	45 lessons missed
94%	2 weeks	60 lessons missed
93%	2.5 weeks	75 lessons missed
92%	3 weeks	90 lessons missed
90%	3.5 weeks	105 lessons missed

The Importance of Attendance

In a world where we face a constant barrage of performance statistics it can be easy to think that a figure that's over 90% must be pretty good. With attendance that's really not the case, as you can see in the table above. A student with 94% attendance has missed two full weeks of schools – that's 60 lessons! Remember, school attendance matters.



Register As An Alumnus

Are you a former pupil at St. Julie's? Would you like to join our register of alumni? We're always happy to hear from former students, and we'd love to hear about your progress and life experiences that might be helpful in guiding and inspiring our current students. Even if you'd just like to keep in touch and receive our newsletter, you can [fill in the registration form here](#).

Dangerous parking

Please can all parents be reminded not to park on double yellow lines, zig zag markings or drop their daughter off on the pelican crossing. We are very concerned about the safety of all students. Road safety awareness is delivered through our PSHE programme but it is essential that we work in partnership to maintain the safety of all students. Police Community Support Officers will continue to visit the area and issue fixed penalty notices for obstructing driveways and parking illegally. We have also communicated road safety concerns with local councillors and the highway agencies. The safety of students and pedestrians is paramount.



Education Welfare Helpline

New for September 2023 is an Education Welfare Helpline. This is available to all parents with attendance queries and is available 9am - 5pm weekdays. You can contact the service on **0151 233 3916**.

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
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,

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support or practical strategies.
Monday to Friday: 9am – 4.30pm
Alternatively, you can email your concern to 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

Children's Occupational Therapy Service

Please contact the Children's [https://learnliveuk.com/network-rail-secondary-school-safety-talk/Occupational Therapist](https://learnliveuk.com/network-rail-secondary-school-safety-talk/Occupational%20Therapist) who is supporting the child for advice or alternatively for general enquiries please email 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 sensoryservice@liverpool.gov.uk

Hub Of Hope

[The Hub of Hope](#) is the UK's leading mental health support database. It is provided by national mental health charity, Chasing the Stigma, and brings local, national, peer, community, charity, private and NHS mental health support and services together in one place for the first time.

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](#).

Neglect

Everyone deserves to feel safe, cared for, and to have their basic needs met. Being taken care of means that someone is giving us what we need physically and emotionally, as well as making sure individuals are getting an education and access to things like the doctor when needed. If you are struggling; or you think someone you know is being neglected, then it's important to get support. Click here [Neglect | Childline](#) to learn more about accessing support; the types of support you could access. This page contains a contact number: 0800 1111; a contact form and offers different ways of obtaining help including a 1-2-1 chat with a counsellor [Get Support | Childline](#)

Young Carers Support

Barnardo's Action with Young Carers offers assessments and support for young carers. You can find out more from their [information leaflet](#) or [at the website](#).

Domestic Abuse:

There is clear evidence that nationally and locally the frequency of incidences of domestic abuse increased during and following the pandemic. If you or someone you know is suffering from domestic

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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 email address being the best way to make contact out of hours.

RASA (Rape and Sexual Abuse) Merseyside is a specialist service providing support to anyone who has been impacted by any form of sexual violence at any time in their lives. You can call us on 0151 558 1801, email referrals@rasamerseyside.org or visit our website www.rasamerseyside.org

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/](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)

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.

Microsoft Office 365 Licencing

All students at St. Julie's are licenced to install the Microsoft Office 365 suite on up to five computers or mobile devices at home at no cost. Students can visit <https://www.office.com> and sign in using their school email address and password and then look for the 'Install and more' option.

Resources for Parents in Knowsley

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[Advanced Solutions](#): 0151 486 1788

Listening Ear: St Nicholas Centre,
70 Church Road, Halewood, L26 6LB
0151 488 6648

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Knowsley.EHWP@coreassets.com
07967 381 035

[Knowsley CAMHS](#) 0151 351 8610

[Kooth](#)

[Mental Health Support Teams](#)

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[Merseyside Domestic Violence Service](#) 0780 272 2703 mdvs.org

[Ruby Project](#) ruby@pss.org.uk

Family support [Family First](#)

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[Lee Cooper Foundation](#)

[Healthy Knowsley](#)