



St. Julie's Catholic High School

Weekly Newsletter

Week Beginning 7th October 2019

Forthcoming dates for your diary...

10th October

Year 9 Study Support Evening at 5pm

10th October

Year 10 Study Support Evening at 5:30pm



Kat Johnson-Thompson - World Champion!

We're all incredibly proud of former student Katarina Johnson-Thompson who has taken gold at the World Athletics Championships! Kat's breathtaking performance saw her record personal bests in four of the disciplines in the heptathlon before she crossed the line first in the final 800m to secure a new British heptathlon record and the sixth best score of all time. Her success has had a huge impact on our students who seek to emulate her recipe for success. We shared [this video](#) with all of our form groups this morning.



A Pressing Matter!

Students got a phenomenal chance today to see how modern professional rolling news is produced as news agencies from across the country, including BBC, ITN, Associated Press and more visited St. Julie's to see the reaction that her World Championship has had at St. Julie's and Kat's local community. [Read more here.](#)



Wait, What? Mr Willis?!

Early rising students who enjoy Breakfast TV might well have done a bleary-eyed double take today when at 6:54 Mr Willis took to the BBC Breakfast couch to talk to Charlie Stayt, Naga Munchetty and the nation about Katarina's time at St. Julie's. If you missed it you can watch the interview [in full here.](#)

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St. Julie's Gains Silver Attendance Quality Mark!

After a rigorous assessment, St. Julie's has been awarded the Silver Liverpool Attendance Quality Mark. Our successful accreditation can give parents and carers confidence that when they support us in our work on promoting and maintaining attendance they are engaging with robust and effective systems that serve to improve the educational experience of our students. To find out more about how the judgement was reached and the areas that were assessed, read the [full story on our website](#).



Ellie Medals at Commonwealth Judo Championship

Congratulations to Ellie Morris who has taken silver in the 2019 Commonwealth Judo Championships contested last weekend at Walsall. Ellie represented England against competitors from across the globe. Read [more here](#).



St. Julie's Hosts 'Project Calibrate'

Science teachers from across the Archdiocese have gathered at St. Julie's for the introductory session of a research collaboration led by the University of Oxford. The three year project is focussing on improving the breadth and depth of practical work in Science. You can [learn more here](#).



Year 8 Mark International Day of Non Violence

8 Nugent chose International Day of Non-Violence (2nd October) as their topic for assembly this week. This date, which coincides with the birthdate of Mahatma Gandhi, offered the chance to reflect on our own Peace Garden, Peace Tower and Peace Bell and St. Julie's 'preserve the precious treasure of peace carefully'. On the day itself the tolling of our Peace Bell reminded us all of the occasion.



7 Nugent Talk Friendship

7 Nugent opened the month of October by leading their first Form Assembly and what a great job they

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did too! Having chosen the theme of friendship - one of our Mission Statement themes - they explored it through the use of video, story, song and dance. Their spirited rendition of "You've got a friend in me" from Toy Story was a lovely way to start the day!



Sweet Treats for Charity

We rounded out last week with some great fundraising for Macmillan Cancer Care with battle of the bakes! Year 8 students ran a cake sale during break for students which raised over £140 in just twenty minutes. Meanwhile in the main office Mrs Woof and Mrs Ruddock ran a staff cake sale which we still don't have a total for! We'll bring you news on the winners when we have it.

Attendance Summary

Attendance figures for the last week are given below.

Group	% Attend
Year 07	97.5
Year 08	96.2
Year 09	96.6
Year 10	92.6
Year 11	96.8
Year 12	95.2
Year 13	94.3
Totals	95.8

Whilst we work very hard as a school to foster good attendance we recognise that it is the responsibility of parents to support their daughter in meeting the definition of 'Regular Attendance' which for us is defined as 97% attendance. Thank you for your work towards meeting this responsibility.

Safeguarding: If You Don't Know, Don't Go

West Yorkshire Police and Leeds Safeguarding Children Partnership have launched a campaign warning young people to be wary of invites to free parties from older people who they know little about.

A tactic used by perpetrators of child sexual exploitation is to lure children to parties through social media and word of mouth, where they then ply them with drinks and drugs before pressuring them into sex. They may also bribe them into doing things they aren't comfortable with in return for a lift home, as the 'party' is often held in an area that the young person is unfamiliar with.

Advice to Young people

If you do accept an invitation to a party or gathering there are things that you need to do keep yourself safe:

- Make sure you know the location of where you're going and whose party it is.
- Read the road signs if you accept a lift.
- Tell a trusted adult where you are going and who you're going with.
- Tell someone what time you're expected back.
- Make sure you have credit on your phone.
- Make sure your mobile battery is fully charged.
- Take enough money with you to get you home

You can read [more here](#).

In-School Sickness

We have a system in place in school to support students that are feeling unwell. Pupils must not phone or text home and arrange to be collected and parents should only arrive at school to collect a sick child once they have spoken to relevant staff in school. In any instances of sickness or more general upset, pupils must report to staff for assistance and cannot under any circumstances remove

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themselves from lessons and remain unsupervised. Pupils contacting parents themselves usually causes unnecessary worry and distress to parents. Parents arriving at school unannounced cannot always be seen by staff and may have to wait before being able to take their daughter home, if this is what they wish to do. We would ask that parents/carers support the school with this system.

May we further remind parents that as well as contacting school on the day of each absence, students should be provided with a written note from parents on their return to school.

Administration of Medication

It is the responsibility of parents/carers to inform the school of their child's medical needs before the student joins the school, or as soon as a new medical condition is diagnosed.

Parents/carers **must complete** the appropriate Form ([Form 3B](#)) [Parental agreement for school setting to administer medication](#). **A member of staff cannot administer medication for your daughter unless the completed form is returned to school.**

Written permission from parents/carers is required for students to self-administer medicine(s). A Request to Self-Administer Medication Form must be completed (see Form 7).

In instances where a pupil feels unwell during the school day, they should speak to their Progress Leader at break or lunchtime. The normal expectation would be that, if a pupil has been deemed well enough to attend school, then they ought to remain in school for the full day. Pupils must not use mobile phones to contact parents during the school day to request to be picked up from school. If their Progress Leader deems it necessary for the pupil to be sent home, they will ask the Admin Team to contact parents. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Parking

Can we please remind people that:

- There is no on-site parking for parents or carers
- Parking is not allowed on the yellow 'zig-zags' in Woolton Street or on double yellow lines, including those on Speke Road between Watergate Lane and Manor Road
- Please also do not use parking facilities reserved for the use of other organisations, such as Woolton Day Nursery

All local schools and nurseries have asked their School Liaison Police Officers to support in ensuring that no young person is put at risk of harm by illegal or inappropriate parking. There is ample free, safe and legal parking available on High Street, a two minute walk from the school which pupils can reach without crossing any roads.