



St. Julie's Catholic High School

Weekly Newsletter

Week Beginning 12th July 2021

Forthcoming Dates for your Diary

12th July
School Sports Day.

16th July
Last day of term for students

19th July
Staff INSET Day



Celebrating Dotfest!

Students in Year 9 have been following our Global Citizenship programme this year. The subject has enabled the students to develop opinions on the topic and it has given them a forum to have those opinions heard. Leadership qualities have been developed with their projects they are working on, WhatsApp groups have been formed and new friendships made! The culmination of their work is a celebration and presentation of what they have learned wrapped up in the extravaganza we've called Dotfest, after Sister Dorothy Stang! See the photos and [read the full story here](#).



Award Winning Performance at NOW Festival

Our talented drama performers have once again given an award winning performance at the NOW Festival, earning the 'Catalyst for Change' award. [Read more and watch the performance here!](#)



Sixth Form Focus on Wellbeing

Students in Year 12 have spent their final enrichment activity of the year focussing on their wellbeing. The students took a break from their normal activities to focus instead on activities involving some mental relaxation. You can read more about [what they did here!](#)

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Sports Day and End of Term Arrangements

Please [see this letter](#), circulated last week by Mrs McCourt for details of the arrangements for Sports Day, as well as important arrangements for the **last day or term** and the **beginning of the new term** in September.



RSPCA Young Photographer Competition

Whether you're an experienced photographer or a keen beginner, you've entered before or you're not sure where to start, check this out! The aim of the RSPCA Young Photographer Awards is to encourage an interest in photography and an appreciation and understanding of all the amazing animals around us. It's open to anyone aged 18 or under and all that's needed is for you to enjoy the process and get creative. There is a school category too: Animal welfare watch. This is a new category for 2021 that you might have heard about from your teachers at school. That's because while you enter as an individual, your school will also get a prize (a framed copy of your photo) and more if you're the winner. Fame at last! [Learn more here](#).



Inter-Form Rounders!

Congratulations to 8 Nugent and 7 Therese for their victories in a closely contested Inter-Form

Exams 2021

Summer 2021 GCSE and A Level Exams Centre Policy

An updated version of the ratified exams policy for the Summer 2021 season can be [found here](#).

Appeals Process 2021

We have received updated guidance on the appeals process for grades for 2021. This information has been circulated by Mrs McCourt in two letters, copies of which are available [here](#) and [here](#).

Rounders competition! The day of the competition brought some inclement weather, but we turned adversity into advantage by bringing the event into the Sports Hall which brought a whole new exciting dimension to the games. Some new close fielding skills were rapidly developed. Very well done to all of our participants and of course to our winning forms 7T and 8N.

Open Eye Gallery Do Some Girls' Networking

We were delighted to welcome a representative from the Open Eye Gallery into school this week to deliver a workshop to The Girls' Network mentees. The workshop gave students an insight into the world of photography, creativity and imagination. Alongside this, students will be able to access work experience opportunities in the future. Emma (rep) spoke with passion about her love for photography and her recent project named 'Red' which captured audio and images from Liverpool fans across the country. This was a great experience for our students. The Girls' Network national mentoring programme will continue throughout 2021/22. Learn more about the gallery and their work [here](#).

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Good Luck To Our Trainee Teachers

St. Julie's has a long and proud tradition of supporting new professionals undertaking Initial Teacher Training. This week we have wished 'bon voyage' to this year's students who have had an extended placement due to the very unusual circumstances of the pandemic. We very much hope they take fond memories of our community with them, and we wish them every success in their careers.



Humanities Students Investigate LGBTQ+ Through History

Following on from Pride Month, students in both Geography and History deepened their understanding of the LGBTQ+ community this week in their lessons. Students spent time looking into the History of how groups have been treated, with a particular focus of the Holocaust and life under the Nazis. Students also put their map skills to the test and were able to explore how the treatment of the LGBTQ+ community differs around the world. Students put together some fantastic pieces of work and are looking forward to spreading further awareness around our school community, embracing our mission statement of being "a Catholic learning community which respects and embraces the diversity of all God's people."



On Site Lateral Flow Testing

Our first day of the most recent round of in-school lateral flow testing went very smoothly indeed, with students behaving with maturity and responsibility. Thank you to parents for helping to support this important process. The next testing day will be **14th July**.



University of Liverpool Virtual Open Week

If students missed the live virtual open week, they can now watch on-demand videos to tour the campus, explore programmes of study, have a look at student accommodation and much more. Clicking this link <https://www.liverpool.ac.uk/study/undergraduate/virtual-open-week/> will take you to a range of subjects across all the different faculties, with a range of thirty to choose from ranging from Accounting to Veterinary Science.

Academic Calendar for 2021-22

A print friendly version of the Academic Calendar for 2021-22 has been published for parents and a copy is [available here](#). As you will be aware, events are sometimes subject to change and the most up to date version can always be found in the calendar on our website.

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ARE YOU AGED 15-21 LOOKING FOR A PAID JOB?

(PEOPLE WITH ADDITIONAL NEEDS CAN APPLY UP TO THE AGE OF 24)

DO YOU CARE ABOUT YOUNG PEOPLE HAVING A SAY IN THE ISSUES THAT MATTER?

ARE YOU A GOOD COMMUNICATOR AND A TEAM PLAYER?

THEN YOUNG ADVISORS COULD BE THE JOB FOR YOU!

As a Young Advisor, you will:

- Engage with other young people through focus groups and surveys about issues that affect them
- Feed this information back to people who can make positive changes.
- Work not on shifts, but on a commission basis. This means that hours can differ week to week to suit you!

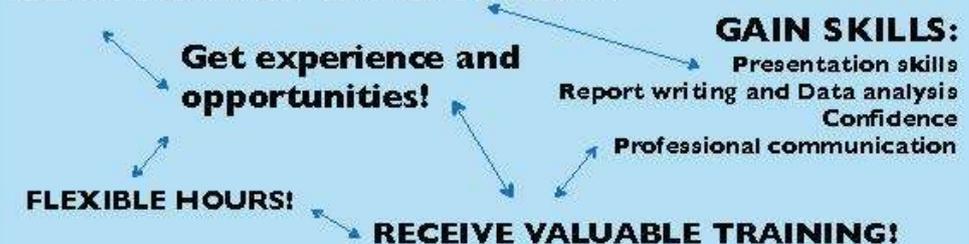
Some voluntary hours may be required.



Interviews will take place all day on 25th AUGUST from 9:30-16:30

MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

WORK WITH LOCAL LEADERS AND HAVE AN IMPACT ON YOUR COMMUNITY



IF YOU THINK THIS IS THE JOB FOR YOU, APPLY NO LATER THAN AUGUST 6th



APPLICATION FORM CAN BE FOUND AT:

<https://liverpoolscp.org.uk/scp/lscb-young-advisors/>
[liverpool-young-advisors-recruitment](#)

PLEASE RETURN APPLICATIONS TO JACQUELYN.TAYLOR@LIVERPOOL.GOV.UK

Any further inquiries: 07841224150



Safeguarding: Monkey

Chat App

Online safety experts have been alerted to an extremely dangerous website and app called Monkey, which allows users to have a video

call with strangers. The platform markets itself as 'an alternative to Omegle with a Tik-Tok vibe'. The platform is highly likely to expose users to extreme sexual content. The app contains large amounts of inappropriate, disturbing, and harmful content transmitted via webcams. We would urge you to check your child's phone for this app and exercise extreme caution.

Safeguarding: Summer Safety

We've added a lot of new stories about staying safe over summer in

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the safeguarding section of our website. You can [find them here](#).

Careers Updates

This week we've got details for pre-registering for the What Careers Live and What University Live virtual event taking place in November, and the release of the July Parent Pack from Amazing Apprenticeships. All the details are available at [our careers site](#).

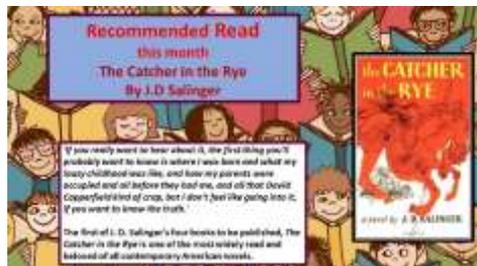


www.unitasterdays.com

University Taster Days

Year 10, 11 and 12 students can start thinking about their next steps by taking part in a range of university taster days over the summer break. Click here for the full list: <https://www.unitasterdays.com/search.aspx>

Students can enter the subjects they're interested in studying and then sign up for as many virtual events as they wish. Events range from short online sessions to 3 day opportunities. Events listed include university and college taster days, workshops, residentials, open days, outreach events and widening participation opportunities.



Recommended Read for August

A little in advance, our recommended read for August is J.D. Salinger's 'The Catcher In The Rye'.

'If you really want to hear about it, the first thing you'll probably want to know is where I was born and what my lousy childhood was like, and

how my parents were occupied and all before they had me, and all that David Copperfield kind of crap, but I don't feel like going into it, if you want to know the truth.'

The first of J. D. Salinger's four books to be published, The Catcher in the Rye is one of the most widely read and beloved of all contemporary American novels.

End of Year Reports

All year groups will receive their statutory end of year written report in July. This will include information relating to achievement, behaviour, attendance, end of year assessment information and progress. Parents can also access the Xpressions app which provides daily updates on achievement, merits and commendations.

Covid Home Testing

Students participating in home testing should **continue to test twice weekly**.



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

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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

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

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 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.

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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)

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 or 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](#).



Covid-19 Information and Risk Assessment

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