



# St. Julie's Catholic High School

## Weekly Newsletter

Week Beginning 12<sup>th</sup> October 2020

### Forthcoming Dates for your Diary

**15<sup>th</sup> October**  
UCAS Early Application Deadline

**7<sup>th</sup> November**  
Secondary school applications for September 2021 extended deadline

**23<sup>rd</sup> October**  
3:15 Half Term Break begins



### Year 7 Crest Award

Over the next few months all Year 7 students will take part in the Science CREST award. CREST is a scheme that inspires young people to think and behave like scientists and engineers. It is a nationally recognised scheme for student-led project work in the STEM subjects (science, technology, engineering and maths). CREST gives young people aged 5–19 the chance to choose their own subject and methodology when completing their hands-on investigation. Good luck to all our scientists and inventors!



Liverpool  
City Council

### Letter to All Parents from Liverpool Children and Young People's Services

This week we were asked to circulate a letter to all parents from Liverpool Children's Services about requirements for self isolation. You can [find a copy here](#).



### A Day in the Life of Our Transition Coach

If you haven't yet met Mrs Middleman, our Transition Co-ordinator, you can find out more about what she does and how she makes the start for our Year 7 students a little smoother in [this story on our website](#).

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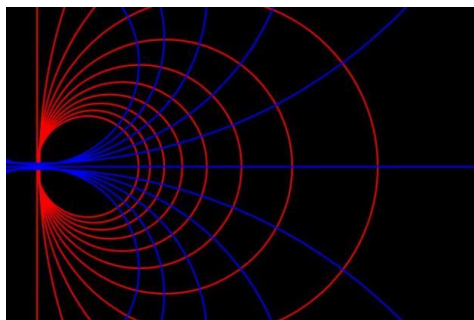
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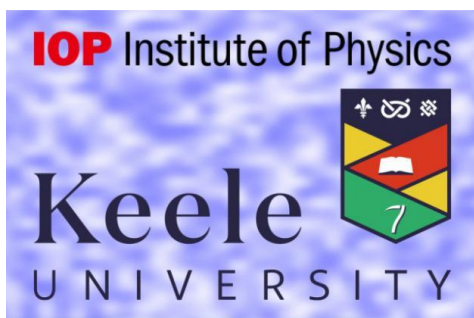
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## Outreach activities at University of Liverpool Maths School

ULMaS plan to offer several online maths courses starting up over the next few weeks aimed at a wide range of secondary and A Level students that will be extremely useful both for giving ambitious young mathematicians a heightened focus, and supporting them to hone their algebra skills after a lengthy period out of schooling. [Find out more here.](#)



## Physics Lectures from IOP and Keele University

Keele University are hosting a series of Physics lectures from the West Midlands branch of the Institute of Physics.

The lectures cover a wide range of subjects and whilst great for our bustling A Level Physics cohort, they are also accessible for students studying GCSE.

Free sign up and more information is [available here.](#)

## Year 9 PE Kit

Students must only wear their St. Julie's PE kit. Detentions will be issued if students wear their own hoodies or branded sportswear.

## Useful Information for Parents and Carers of New Students

The Transition Team would like to say a big thank you to our newest parents and carers for ensuring that our Year 7 pupils are fully equipped for their journey with us here at St Julie's Catholic High School. [This booklet](#) contains a reminder of key information such as our uniform policy, timings of the school day, and key members of staff. Please contact our Transition Coach Mrs Middleman if you need further information.

## Covid-19 Case Notification

We have been advised by Public Health England that there have been confirmed cases of COVID-19 within our school community. More information and advice can be found in [this letter.](#)

## 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.](#)

## Remote Learning Programme - updates

As we continue to develop our remote learning programme for students who are required to self-isolate, we have implemented the following updates:

- Lesson by lesson resources mapped against the current curriculum
- Lesson plans and resources adhere to the school's learning and teaching policy
- Updated VLE server with an improved communication system and interactive software
- Access to e-books to develop students' learning
- Use of Microsoft Teams in lessons - students can dial into some lessons and listen to the audio and resources. Subject

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teachers will confirm via email and provide information on how students can access the lessons. Lessons have also been recorded for students to refer back to at a later date

- Updated [remote learning policy](#)
- Ongoing training and professional development for staff to deliver high quality remote learning resources
- Instant feedback and assessment via MathsWatch and Educake
- Updated podcasts and introductory videos

### Year 8 Options Process

At St. Julie's Catholic High school, your daughter has access to a broad and balanced curriculum relevant to her individual needs. In preparation for the Year 8 options process, [we would like to outline the support your daughter will receive](#) over the next few months in making some important decisions about her option choices.

### The Brilliant Club - Scholars Programme

The KS4 cohort for The Brilliant Club has now been selected for the autumn term. Students have been assigned to a PhD tutor from The University of Liverpool. Students will take part in seven tutorials and independently research a project based on diagnosing bacterial infections. At the end of the programme, students will submit a 2500-word assignment. Best of luck to all students taking part. KS3 students will be able to apply for the programme in December 2020.

### National Tutoring Programme

We have signed up to the National Tutoring Programme and Academic Mentor scheme (supported by the Education Endowment Foundation, Sutton Trust and DfE) to continue to support students. From November we will be rolling out a tutoring programme across the school. Students will be selected based on their current progress, identification of knowledge gaps and/or students who are making exceptional

progress and may require some additional support to accelerate their learning even further. More details to follow.

### Year 11 and 13 Summer Exams 2021

At the moment there are many unanswered questions about next year's exam season. All teaching unions have submitted the following recommendations to government and Ofqual:

1. Commission an independent review of what happened with exam grading in 2020, in order to learn from this when planning what to do in 2021.
2. Publish contingency plans as soon as possible to outline how students who are unable to sit exams in the summer, or whose education has been significantly disrupted, will nevertheless receive robust, reliable grades. This could include formal staged assessment arrangements and a robust fallback centre-assessed process.
3. Review the assessment of all general qualifications to allow for greater optionality in most subjects, and consider changes to the design of assessment to ensure any issues with this are addressed.
- 4.

We will keep parents and students fully updated once we receive further information and guidance.

### Year 9 Revision Guidance

We have recently posted some study support guidance for students in Year 9 and their parents. You can [find it here](#).

### Year 7 Setting arrangements

Year 7 setting arrangements will commence from Monday 2



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November. Due to current restrictions, we want to make sure that all seating arrangements are accurate before set changes are made. Thank you for your patience and understanding in this matter.

## School Bus Service

Can we please remind parents and students of the vital importance of wearing masks on public transport and adhering to the [previously published requirements](#) for use of the school bus service.

COVID-19 (coronavirus) absence: A quick guide for parents / carers	What to do if...	Action needed	Back to school
<p><b>My child has COVID-19 (coronavirus) symptoms</b></p> <p>Child should get a test. If positive, isolate at home. Inform school immediately about test results.</p>	<p>Child has been in contact with someone who has COVID-19 (coronavirus) symptoms.</p>	<p>Child should get a test. If positive, isolate at home. Inform school immediately about test results.</p>	<p>When child has been tested and returned to school, they must remain in a designated area for 14 days.</p>
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## Latest Covid Absence Information Poster

Please [click here for a quick guidance poster](#) for parents about Covid related absence, which has some helpful links in too.

## Careers Updates

Updates this week include details of a some useful virtual events from Edge Hill University, including some that will be helpful to applicants to any university. Find the [latest updates here](#).

## Covid-19 Information and Risk Assessment

Please click here to see a letter from the Headteacher with advice about Covid-19 in the new school year. All parent/carers can access the school's Covid-19 risk assessment [here](#).



## Face coverings

Please see [this link](#) for a letter from the Headteacher circulated last week about the requirement for face coverings in school.

## 2020 Open Evening

At St. Julie's we love meeting visitors to our community, and we're hugely disappointed not to be able to run our September Open Evening as we wanted to. Instead, we're happy to bring you a video tour which we hope that you [enjoy watching!](#) The supplementary application form for 2021 Year 7 entry can be [found here](#).

## Wellbeing: Parent Guide to Online Safety

[This booklet](#) from Childnet International offers some great strategies for engaging your child in meaningful discussions about staying safe online.

## Year 9 PE Day - Every Tuesday

Every Tuesday Year 9 students will have PE lessons at least twice during the day. To reduce changing time Year 9 students can come to school in their PE kit. This rule only applies to Year 9 students. All students must only wear their St. Julie's PE Kit.

## 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

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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.