



# St. Julie's Catholic High School

## Weekly Newsletter

Week Beginning 16<sup>th</sup> June 2025

### Forthcoming Dates for your Diary

**16<sup>th</sup> June**

Year 10 Mock Examinations begin

**19<sup>th</sup> June**

Year 8 Options Evening

**26<sup>th</sup> June**

Open Evening

**26<sup>th</sup> June**

Year 11 Prom



### Notre Dame UK Schools' Conference 2025

Once every two years, Notre Dame students from England and Scotland come together to celebrate what is good in our schools. In 2023 we met in Walsingham, Norfolk and this year, we gathered at Buckfast Abbey, Devon. Over 3 days, students from ND Glasgow, ND Norwich, ND Southwark, ND Plymouth, Our Lady and St Patricks, Dunbarton and St Julie's gathered to stay in the grounds of Buckfast Abbey to spend time reflecting, getting to know each other and sightseeing around the beautiful Devon and Cornwall area. [Read more here.](#)



### Year 11 Celebrate End of Key Stage Four!

This week students in Year 11 gathered together as a complete year group for last time to reflect on the end of Key Stage 4 and their achievements at St Julie's over the last five years. The assembly took place on Friday and brought warm words from staff who have been on the five year journey with our students, including Miss Murphy, Miss Gawley and Mrs McCourt.



### Mathematicians Earn Gongs from UKMT!

The UK Maths Trust is established to advance the education of young people in maths. One way they meet this aim is by organising and running competitions. On the 2nd May, 113 students from Year 7 and 8 sat the UKMT Junior Maths Challenge, made up of 25 multiple choice maths questions. It encourages mathematical reasoning, precision of thought and

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fluency to make students think. From these students, 31 achieved a Gold, Silver or Bronze award which puts them in the top 50% of all students who participated in the competition across the world. Congratulations to Faith in Year 8 who earned gold with the best result in school! Silver honours go to Ava, Lucy and Darcey in Year 7 and Elizabeth, Sadie, Ella and Emily in Year 8. Well done also to our talented bronze winners who are too numerous to list!



### Year 8 Parents' Evening

Thank you to all parents and carers who were able to join us on Thursday evening for our Year 8 Parents' evening. Events like this are a valuable opportunity for our staff to be able to engage positively with parents and we thank you for your support. We hope you found the event useful and informative.



### Sixth Form Students Light Up The Stage

Students following our Musical Performance course in Sixth Form put on a stellar showcase of musical theatre this week for their exam performance which is filmed as evidence towards their final qualification. Thanks to the enthusiastic audience and to the fantastic team in Performing Arts for their hard work in preparing the students. Congratulations to all of the performers for a great show!



### Cake Sale for Loneliness Awareness Week

On Friday we held a cake sale to help raise funds and awareness for Age Concern Liverpool and Sefton during [Loneliness Awareness Week](#). Thank you to all students who demonstrated their support by buying a cake!



### Year 10 Mock Examinations

Please [click here for a copy of a letter](#) circulated recently to parents of students in Year 10 with information about the forthcoming mock examinations beginning on 16<sup>th</sup> June.



### Win £10 to spend at the book fair!

Design a new book cover for a book you love, or create a book cover for a book you have dreamed up. It can be drawn, painted, created on the computer: it's up to you!

OR

Write a short story, no more than

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200 words, on any topic of your choice. It must have a title. Give to Miss Greenwood in B105 or email to [hgreenwood@stjulies.org.uk](mailto:hgreenwood@stjulies.org.uk) by **Monday 16th June**.

Two lucky winners will be announced on Monday and taken to the book fair to choose their prize!

### Year 8 Options Evening

Please [click here for a copy of a letter circulated this week](#) by Mrs Rooney with details of the forthcoming Year 8 Options Evening.



### Year 9 Mass for End of Key Stage

Year 9 P band celebrated the end of their KS3 at Mass this morning with Fr Stephen from Our Lady of the Assumption parish. The readings were taken from Ecclesiastes 3 and the Gospel of Matthew 13, the Parable of the Sower and in his homily, Fr Stephen encouraged students to reflect on how their season in education is changing. Fr Stephen spoke of his hope that in KS4 they can be like the good seed that falls on fertile soil, so that they grow into strong women who make valuable contributions to the world. A wonderful message for us all! Thanks to all our Y9 readers and Y7 Music ministry students for a lovely celebration. Y9 Q band will also celebrate Mass in the coming weeks.



## Year 12 get ready for University!

This week, our Year 12 students attended an important assembly focused on personal statements, a key part of the UCAS university application process. Delivered by Caitlin from Edge Hill University, the assembly introduced students to what a personal statement is, why it matters, and how to start planning and writing their own over the summer break. To continue supporting our students on their journey to higher education, we'll be running dedicated personal statement workshops when we return in September. These sessions will provide targeted guidance and feedback to help students polish their drafts and submit strong applications.



### Congratulations to our Apply Cambridge Programme Student!

We're thrilled to announce that Ruby in Year 12 has been accepted onto the prestigious Apply Cambridge programme. This competitive scheme is designed to support high-achieving students who are considering an application to the University of Cambridge. Through a series of talks, workshops, and mentoring sessions, the programme will offer invaluable insight into the Cambridge application process, including personal statements, admissions tests, and interviews. This is a fantastic opportunity, and we look forward to seeing the Ruby make the most of this experience in the months ahead.



### **HE+ Cambridge Residential**

We're proud to share that Ruby R and Holly in Year 12 have been invited to attend the HE+ Cambridge Residential. This residential offers students the chance to experience university-style learning, take part in academic sessions led by Cambridge academics, and gain a deeper understanding of life at a top university. It's a fantastic opportunity for both personal and academic development, and we're excited to see these students embrace all the programme has to offer. Congratulations to both.



### **Year 7 Charity Bingo**

On Monday 30<sup>th</sup> June, students in Year 7 are going to be participating in Bingo to raise funds for Teenage Cancer Trust. This will be at the cost of £2.50 where they will receive bingo tickets and a raffle ticket, where they can win some prizes! You can pay for this on Parent Pay and the cut off date is the 23rd June.



### **Talking Futures - Careers support**

Talking Futures is a national campaign and online resource, run by the Gatsby Charitable Foundation, that supports parents/carers to have more informed conversations with their children about education and career options. To explore Careers information for your child, [please click here](#).



### **YPAS Coffee Morning**

The Young Persons' Advisory Service are hosting a drop in coffee morning at their South Hub in Lyndene Road on 2nd July from 10am - 12pm. The drop in event gives parents and carers the chance to meet with two parenting practitioners, discuss any concerns, get information and guidance and see what parenting support YPAS can offer families. No booking is required, just drop in.



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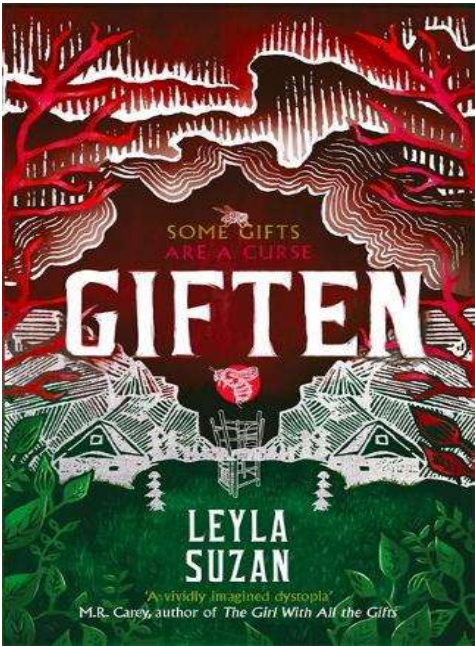
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| 100% | 0 days    | 0 lessons missed   |
| 99%  | 1 day     | 6 lessons missed   |
| 98%  | 3 days    | 18 lessons missed  |
| 97%  | 1 week    | 30 lessons missed  |
| 96%  | 1.5 weeks | 45 lessons missed  |
| 94%  | 2 weeks   | 60 lessons missed  |
| 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.



**Recommended Read for June**

If you're stuck for reading inspiration why not take a look at our recommended read? This month we're suggesting 'Giften' by Leyla Suzan.

*A BLIGHTED LAND*  
Ever since *The Darkening*, survival has been a struggle. The people of

*the Field toil on parched earth, trying to forge a life amid dwindling resources.*

**A GIFT**

*As one of the Giften, Ruthie is a saviour to her isolated community: her hands hold the rare ability to raise food from dead soil. But she is also its greatest danger.*

**A SINISTER REGIME**

*In the City lurks a dark army, intent on hunting Giften to harness their power, destroying all who stand in their way. With the threat growing ever stronger, Ruthie and her friends must leave behind all they have ever known and embark on a quest that will pitch them towards the City, and unknowable danger. One way or another, a battle is coming.*



**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

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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](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/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](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

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



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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](#).

### 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 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.

**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](mailto:referrals@rasamerseyside.org) or visit our website [www.rasamerseyside.org](http://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/>

**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

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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

[Advanced Solutions](#): 0151 486 1788

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

Children in care (under 18?) Polaris  
[Knowsley.EHWP@coreassets.com](mailto:Knowsley.EHWP@coreassets.com)  
07967 381 035

[Knowsley CAMHS](#) 0151 351 8610

[Kooth](#)

[Mental Health Support Teams](#)

[Zuntold](#)

Domestic Abuse  
[Merseyside Domestic Violence Service](#) 0780 272 2703 [mdvs.org](http://mdvs.org)

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

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