



# St. Julie's Catholic High School

## Weekly Newsletter

Week Beginning 18th March 2019

### Forthcoming dates for your diary...

**21<sup>st</sup> March**  
Year 12 Parents  
Evening  
3:45-6:00pm

**21<sup>st</sup> March**  
[Year 10 Mock Examinations](#) Begin

**27<sup>th</sup> March**  
Notre Dame Awards  
Evening

**4<sup>th</sup> April**  
Year 9 Parents  
Evening  
3:45-6:00pm



### Students Respond to New Zealand Tragedy

Over 300 students and staff gathered in their break time today to reflect on the atrocity in New Zealand and to express our solidarity with those directly affected. After a short reflection featuring the words of New Zealand Prime Minister, Jacinda Adern, prayers were offered in Arabic and English. The peace bell then tolled 49 times – once for each victim who had lost their life. You can read [more here](#).



### Book of Condolence Opens

Following the reflection at break time, all members of the student community were invited to the Chapel at lunch time, where a book of condolence has been opened. Anyone who wished was able to add their message and then take a moment of reflection whilst lighting a candle. The book will be sent to Christchurch.



### Welcome To Our Newest Students

Students from across our new Year 7 got the chance to meet each other as a year group for the first time at our student welcome event this week. Always a highlight of our school calendar, the new students who have recently received news of their place at St. Julie's came along with their parents. Find out what happened in [the full story](#).

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### Magnificent Debate Mates

On the evening of Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March, six pupils from Years 8 and 9 (Daisy, Abbieleigh, Juliette, Holly, Alisha and Katie) represented St Julie's in the Debate Mate League, which was held at the North Liverpool Academy. Our students made us extremely proud emerging victorious in Round 1 when they tackled students from Ormiston Bolingbroke Academy, Runcorn. Working as a team, they formulated cohesive arguments that were articulated confidently and professionally, and were commended for their preparations. Find out what happened next in [the full story](#).



### Fair Trade in Humanities at St. Julie's!

Fair Trade Fortnight took place last week and the week before, so Ms Jones gathered together a group of keen geographers to head up a campaign to raise the profile of the importance of people buying Fair Trade goods so that workers involved in their production receive a fairer wage for their work. The girls worked really hard with Ms Jones and the donations of Fair Trade goodies they had been given (thank you to the generous contributors of the goodies!), and raffled off the products. Congratulations to the luck winners!



### Pumping Ions

What do you get when you cross Chemistry and a Gymnasium? Atomic structures with sports equipment! Miss Moorcroft's Year 9 Science students practiced building electron shells of elements with hula hoops, tennis balls, shuttlecocks and the odd netball bib. Sounds odd? [The pictures](#) make a lot more sense of it!



### Auditions Opening for Summer Production

Auditions are opening for the forthcoming summer musical production, with the first on Monday 18th March. Auditions for all parts including singing, acting and dancing will take place in the Dance Studio from 3:30-6:00pm. Lyrics need to be collected from the Performing Arts office for the audition song, 'Beautiful City' from Godspell. Call backs will take place on Thursday 21st and Friday 22nd March in the Dance Studio from 3:30-6:00pm.

### Easter Revision Opportunities

The programme for Easter revision sessions has now been published, which is pertinent to students in Year 11 and Year 13. You can see [the itinerary here](#).

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## Money Matters to Year 13!

As part of the ongoing support for our Year 13 UCAS applicants; LJMU delivered an informative and invaluable Student Finance presentation this afternoon.

Students who have applied to go to University this year are reminded of the need to check

out [www.gov.uk/studentfinance](http://www.gov.uk/studentfinance) in order to submit their application.

Thanks to Liverpool John Moores for sharing their top tips with us!

## Year 10 Mock Examinations

The Year 10 Mock Examinations timetable has now [been published](#).

## Careers Information

As you'll know from the newsletter, we regularly publish information on the website about [careers opportunities](#). Mrs Mannings has published a guide on where to find the updates and has issued it to students. You can [find a copy here](#).

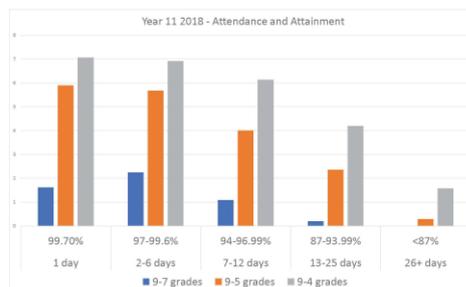
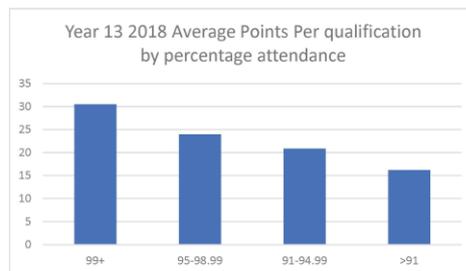
## Sixth Form Applications

Sixth Form applications and interviews are well underway, but it's not too late to [make an application](#).

## Weekly Attendance Round Up

The attendance at St. Julie's last week is shown in the table below.

Group	% Attend
Year 07	95.9
Year 08	96.7
Year 09	95.7
Year 10	94.0
Year 11	95.6
Year 12	93.8
Year 13	93.2



In Year 11 last year, students with 97% or above attendance were twice as likely to get top 9-7 grades in their GCSE as those with attendance between 94 and 96.99% and over ten times as likely to get top 9-7 grades as those with attendance between 87 and 93.99%. No students with attendance of below 87% achieved a 9-7 grade in any subject.

The drop-off in attainment really starts when students' attendance falls below 97% (so not having 100% attendance is not a guarantee that performance will dip - but it does show that our minimum expectation is 97% for a reason)

In Year 13 last year, students with the best attendance did on average 15 points - equivalent to a grade and a half - better in their A Level qualifications than students with attendance of below 91%.

## In-School Sickness

At this time of year, sickness is often prevalent. 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

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report to staff for assistance and cannot under any circumstances remove 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.