



Salvatorian College Parent Bulletin

Week Commencing
13th May 2019

EASTER

MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD OF SCHOOL

On Friday, 10th May, Fr Fortunatus celebrated Mass with our Year 11 boys, giving them the opportunity to reflect on their forthcoming examinations and to take guidance from the scriptures about how to keep a level head and recognise the potential of their God given talents. I am sure that you will join with us by keeping these boys in your prayers as they approach this most challenging of times.

There is a full timetable of sessions for Year 11, right up to the very end of their examinations, and I would like to remind you that all of the boys should attend school as normal. From Monday, with a few exceptions, Year 11 will be based in the new building on the High Road. Revision sessions on Saturday, and through Half Term, will continue at the Priestmead Campus.

I would like to take this opportunity to remind you that **Salvatorian College will be closed to pupils from Years 7 to 10 on 23rd May** as the local council are using Priestmead Campus for the European Elections. Year 11 boys will continue at the High Road, on that day, as normal. I would also like to remind you that the boys should not bring any valuables to school, including money, and that our cashless system allows you to pay for trips and lunches via ParentPay.

Kind regards,

Alan Bryant
Head of School

EVENTS THIS WEEK

Mon 13th May – Written GCSE exams begin
Thu 16th May – Year 9 Parents' Evening

COMING UP THIS TERM

Thu 23rd May – European Elections – **PRIESTMEAD CAMPUS CLOSED** for use as polling station
Mon 27 – Fri 31st May – Half Term Break

COMING UP NEXT TERM

Fri 14th June – End of Year 11 GCSE Exams
Mon 17th June – Year 7 Camping Trip (3 Days)
Fri 21st June – Year 11 Prom
Tue 25th June – Year 5 Taster Day – **SCHOOL CLOSED**
Thu 27th June – St Dominic's Sixth Form College Taster Day
Sat 29th June – CATS Testing Day for new Year 7s

Tue 2nd July – Year 10 Soap Entrepreneurs Day
Wed 3rd July – Year 6 Taster Day
Thu 4th July – Year 7 Parents' Evening
Thu 11th July – Year 7-10 Awards Evening
Mon 15th July – Epraise Rewards Trip
Wed 17th July – Last day of term – **HALF DAY CLOSURE**

WORDS OF THE DAY

Monday – Truce

Noun An agreement between enemies or opponents to stop fighting or arguing for a certain time. If the two generals agree to the holiday **truce**, there will be a ceasefire on Christmas Day. There was an uneasy **truce** between Alex and Dave over dinner.

Tuesday – Proclivity

Noun A tendency to choose or do something regularly; an inclination or predisposition towards a particular thing. I prefer to work with people that have a **proclivity** to be efficient and reliable. Some people have a **proclivity** to like analytical data more than abstract concepts.

Wednesday – Remiss

Adjective Lacking care or attention to duty; negligent. It would be very **remiss** of me not to pass on that information. You have been **remiss** in your duties.

Thursday – Temper

Verb To make less strong, harsh or violent; moderate or restrict. John **tempered** his expectations when he heard that his father had struggled to make enough money to buy him a birthday present. The hot sunny days were **tempered** by a light breeze.

Friday – Pertinent

Adjective Relevant or applicable to a particular matter; apposite. She asked me a lot of very **pertinent** questions. To ensure a prompt reply, please include all **pertinent** details in your email.

GCSE CERTIFICATES

2018 GCSE RESULTS CERTIFICATES ARE
AVAILABLE FOR COLLECTION FROM
PRIESTMEAD RECEPTION

EXAM SUPPORT

Parents often ask what they can do to support their sons during the exam season (Summer Term). There are some obvious quick and easy strategies that can offer support but at the same time we need to encourage a healthy level of pressure and stress. Everyone is different and some pupils can cope better



than others. The following link can help guide parents in creating the right atmosphere of support and encouragement through a variety of practical strategies.

https://youngminds.org.uk/find-help/for-parents/parents-guide-to-support-a-z/parents-guide-to-support-exam-time/?mc_cid=9a9a546e44&mc_eid=e2ab065750

YEAR 11 INTERVENTION

The following intervention sessions will take place this Saturday, 11th May 2019:

Science	English
X - 9.30-11am	Y - 9.30-11am
Y - 11.30-1pm	X - 11.30-1pm

French & Spanish
Higher - 1-2pm
Foundation - 2-3pm

All Year 11s studying these subjects are expected to attend to give the best possible chance of success in forthcoming exams.

YEAR 11 PROM

The Year 11 Prom will take place on Friday 21st June at the Village Hotel in Elstree. Letters have been distributed to boys in Year 11 and it is now possible to pay for a ticket (£40.00) on ParentPay.

YEAR 9 ENGLISH PUPILS

Year 9 pupils will begin studying their GCSE text after the May half-term, and so should be purchasing their own copy of 'An Inspector Calls' by J. B. Priestly. Prices begin at £6.00 on Amazon.

HAYFEVER SEASON

If your child suffers from hayfever, please ensure that he has an anti-histamine before coming to school. Unfortunately, we are unable to dispense any anti-allergy medication from the medical room.

YEAR 7 & 8 RETREAT

On Friday, 21st May 2019, Year 7 & 8 will travel on a pilgrimage to the National Shrine of Our Lady at Walsingham in Norfolk as part of the Key Stage Three retreats programme.

Walsingham, known as 'England's Nazereth' has been a centre of pilgrimage since medieval times, and to this day remains the focus of devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary in England.



The Shrine of Our Lady at Walsingham was established in 1061 when, according to the text of the Pynson Ballad (c 1485), Richeldis de Faverches prayed that she might undertake some special work in honour of Our Lady. In answer to her prayer, the Virgin Mary led her in spirit to Nazareth, showed her the house where the Annunciation occurred, and asked her to build a replica in Walsingham to serve as a perpetual memorial of the Annunciation.

This Holy House was built and a religious community took charge of the foundation. Although we have very little historical material from this period, we know that with papal approval the Augustinian Canons built a Priory (c 1150). Walsingham became one of the greatest Shrines in Medieval Christendom.

In 1538, the Reformation caused the Priory property to be handed over to the King's Commissioners and the famous statue of Our Lady of Walsingham was taken to London and burnt. Nothing remains today of the original shrine, but its site is marked on the lawn in "The Abbey Grounds" in the village.

After the destruction of the Shrine, Walsingham ceased to be a place of pilgrimage. Devotion was necessarily in secret until after Catholic Emancipation (1829) when public expressions of faith were allowed.



In 1896 Charlotte Pearson Boyd purchased the 14th century Slipper Chapel, the last of the wayside chapels en-route to Walsingham, and restored it for Catholic use.

In 1897 by rescript of Pope Leo XIII, the sanctuary of Our Lady of Walsingham was restored with the building of a Holy House as the Lady Chapel of the Catholic Church of the Annunciation, King's Lynn.

The Guild of Our Lady of Ransom, brought the first public pilgrimage to Walsingham on 20th August 1897. Visits to the Slipper Chapel became more frequent, and as the years passed devotion and the number of pilgrimages increased.

On 19th August 1934, Cardinal Bourne and Bishop Lawrence Youens led the Bishops of England and Wales, together with 10,000 pilgrims to the Slipper Chapel. At this pilgrimage, the Slipper Chapel was declared to be the National Shrine of Our Lady for Roman Catholics in England.

Prayer to Mary, Our Lady of Walsingham

O Mary, recall the solemn moment when Jesus, your Divine son, dying on the cross, confided us to your maternal care. You are our Mother, we desire ever to remain your devout children. Let us therefore feel the effects of your powerful intercession with Jesus Christ. Make your name again glorious in this place once renowned throughout our land by your visits, favours and many miracles. Pray, O holy Mother of God for the conversion of England, restoration of the sick, consolation for the afflicted, repentance of sinners, peace to the departed. O Blessed Mary, Mother of God, Our Lady of Walsingham, intercede for us. Amen.

CLUBS & EXTRA-CURRICULAR

We operate a full and varied extra-curricular clubs and intervention timetable has been updated for the spring term. These activities are open to all pupils, and they should contact the organiser for more information. If you have any questions regarding a particular club, or think it would be useful for your son's development if he attends, please mention this to his Head of Year so we can ensure he is attending.

MORNING CLUBS

Breakfast Club - every morning from 8am

Set up for the day with breakfast and study in the canteen.

History Lesson Zero (Year 11) – Tuesdays 8am

Ms Ryall

R.E. Open Door – Tuesday Breaktime – G2C

Ms Williams

P.E. Lesson Zero (Year 11) – Wednesdays 8am

Mr Creamer

Open Art Room – Thursday & Friday 8.00-8.40am

Mr James

Maths Booster (Year 11) – Thursday Breaktime

Mr Mosafeer

LUNCHTIME CLUBS

Table Tennis – every day – Main hall

Mr Templeton

Homework Club – every day – G1C/G2C/Library

Debating Club – Monday – F4

Ms Flannigan

Photography Club – Monday – G1C

Ms Sobuta

KS3 English Club – Monday – F3

Ms Wood

Languages Club – Tuesday – F7/F8

Mr Mullor / Ms Ballalaita

KS3 Handwriting Club – Tuesday – F3

Photography Club – Tuesday - G1C



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Philosophy of Mark's Gospel Club – Wednesday – G2C
Ms Henry

Design & Technology Club – Thursday – DT Room
Mr Preskett

Extra French Club (Year 11) – Thursday – F7
Mr Tissot

R.E. Open Door – Thursday
Miss Williams

Extra English Club (Year 11) – Thursday – F1/F4

KS4 English Homework/Handwriting Club – Friday - F1

MFL Debating Club – Friday - F7/F8

R.E. Open Door – Friday
Miss Williams

Extra English Club (Year 11) – Friday - F1/F4

Book Club – Friday *Miss Wood*

Fine Art Tutorial (Year 11) – Art room
Mr James

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

5 O'Clock Homework Club – Every day after school –
G1C/LSU

Political Literacy – Monday
Mr Cooper

English as an Additional Language Club – Tuesday –
F4 - *Ms Sajip*

Geography Club – Tuesday
Mr Templeton

Youth Club (Years 7-10) – Wednesday 5.30-7.00pm
Mr Dixon

Science Periodic 7 Club (Year 11) – Wednesday

Maths Club (Years 7-10) – Wednesday
Mr Mosafeer

Fine Art Twilight Club (Year 11) – Wednesday 4.30-
6.00pm
Mr James

Maths Club – Thursday – G8
Mr Mosafeer

English as an Additional Language Club – Thursday –
F4
Ms Sajip

Design & Technology Club – Thursday – DT Room
Mr Preskett