



## *Saint Joseph's* CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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Dear parent/carer,

### **Big Sleep**

Today was all about the Big Sleep! We've done some great fundraising today - all led by our army of Big Sleepers. It's a real source of pride to see our pupils embrace these opportunities to make a difference to peoples' lives - they really are living out the values of our school. We had a very popular tuck shop, delicious bake sales (I'll not need to eat for a week!) and a super competitive beat the goalie!

Thank you to all our amazing pupils for leading these initiatives and for doing your bit to make a difference! In total we have 62 pupils and 9 staff sleeping rough tonight in the Cloisters at the Cathedral - the biggest number we've ever taken and the largest group there on the night! Good luck to you all!

### **Local Authority Visit**

This week also saw us welcome the Local Authority on Monday; they came and visited lessons, looked through books and held meetings with many staff. We're very happy that they left with a smile on their face (unsurprisingly!) and were very complimentary of the good practise happening across school.

### **Year 11**

We've added some videos to our website to help support our Year 11 parents in the build-up to the final GCSEs. There are five videos in total and they are designed to help parents with study skills and having effective conversations with your children. The sessions include:

- Effective Revision Techniques
- How the Teenage Brain Works and What This Might Mean for Revision
- Myths about Revision
- Things to Avoid Saying to your Child During Revision
- Getting Organised - Revision Timetables and Flashcards

We hope you find them useful! You can find them at the bottom of the following page on our website: <https://sjcs.org.uk/revision/>



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## Coming Up Next Week

### Monday:

- Year 11 Intervention: French & Spanish

### Tuesday:

- Lunch: KS3 Chaplaincy Council, 4B KS4 Chaplaincy Council
- HW Club after school
- After school Year 7 & 8 football club
- Intervention: English & Food Tech

### Wednesday & Thursday:

- Industrial Action Days - school open for vulnerable pupils and Year 11 only.

### Friday:

- PSHE Fri P1 – Year 10 : Talk by Adam MacMillan-Scott ([Join the Dots Coaching](#)) on the importance of Applying for a Job / Interview Techniques / Writing a CV & Covering Letter and a general look at the world of work from an employers' perspective in preparation for Mock Interview Day.
- AM Reg: Year 7 Reading Intervention in the library
- Breaktime: Inclusivity Alliance – All pupils welcome
- Year 9 Basketball Hall (DBA)

## Coming Up Later This Term

Wednesday 22nd March - Year 9 Parents Evening - 4:30-7:00pm please book online appointments here <https://saintjosephs.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

Last week of term - progress reports for all year groups

## Achievement Points Race

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Margaret House - 25,218 points
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Vincent House - 23,773 points
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Teresa House - 22,433 points
- 4<sup>th</sup> Place: Francis House - 20,660 points

Have a lovely weekend!

Mr Rooney