



# Saint Joseph's

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## **Parent/Carer Notices**

**Week 2 – 13.09.2024**

Dear Parent/Carer,

It's been brilliant having a full week of school for the first time since July! The pupils are settling into the school routines well and are keen to learn and progress. There is a lovely calm, settled and purposeful environment around St Joseph's.

### **Uniform**

We're very happy with how the pupils have responded to the focus we have had on uniform this week – hoodies are now non-existent in school and jewellery has also reduced significantly. Thank you for your support with this. We will continue to focus on different aspects of uniform each week. Please may I remind pupils and parents/carers of our high expectations on uniform and if unsure, please refer to the following link: <https://sjcs.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/01/School-Uniform-Guide-Jan-2023.pdf>

### **Curriculum Visibility**

During the Year 7 and 8 information evenings this week we shared some curriculum developments and in particular our Learning Journeys. These are present in all subject specific classrooms and map out the topics that your child will be studying. These can be found on the subject pages for our different curriculum areas here: <https://sjcs.org.uk/curriculum/> They are in the process of being updated and will be finalised by September 26<sup>th</sup>. We are also developing our key learning checklists and key terminology checklists for each module and curriculum area too.

### **Homework Timetables**

#### **Homework & Satchel One**

Homework Timetables are now published on the school website here:

<https://sjcs.org.uk/homework-timetables/>

#### **Forgotten Details**

If your child has forgotten their Satchel One login details they can use the Microsoft Office sign in option instead. Please see the attached for screen shots on how to do so.

### **Year 11 Mocks**

We're delighted with how Year 11 have tackled their mock examinations this week. There has been an air of calm and positivity around the hall and we're very much looking forward to seeing how they have performed in these mocks. Well done Year 11!

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Following the exams, towards the end of the half term on **Thursday 17th October at 6pm**, we will be holding a mock exams results reveal evening. Parents and pupils will be invited to attend St Joseph's to receive their results (these will not be given out in lesson time) replicating the experience that they will have in August with the real results. During this evening, we will also be outlining the Year 11 programme for the year and how we, as a school, will do all we can to support you and your child through this very important, and sometimes stressful, year.

### **Meet our New Headmaster & Information Evenings in the School Hall**

This week Year 7 and Year 8 had their Meet our New Headmaster and Information Evenings in school. It was great to welcome everyone back and to share the exciting developments for the year ahead.

Next week we will be hosting evenings for Year 9 & 10 and will be sharing year group specific information. These evenings will be an excellent opportunity for you to know all about the programme for the year for your child and important dates and events to be aware of as well as support and help on offer. They will be led by Mr Higgins, our new Headmaster and your child's Head of Year.

This Thursday, we will host Year 9 at 4:00pm and Year 10 at 5:30pm. Please confirm your attendance by clicking the appropriate link below:

**Year 9** – <https://forms.office.com/e/78i6EkYMqy>

**Year 10** – <https://forms.office.com/e/Wn40J3dEjm>

### **Coming up next week:**

Academic Assemblies led by Mr Rooney

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#### **Monday 16<sup>th</sup> September**

- Pupil Parliament Meeting, PM Reg in Rm1
- Year 11 Exams: AM Exam – Chemistry PM Exam PE Paper 1

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#### **Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> September**

- Dance Live until 4.30
- Lunch: Chaplaincy Council – Rm21 (DIN), Culture Club – Rm9 (SBR), Lunch: RE Crafts & Art Club – Rm22 (LRE), Lunch: KS4 Solidworks Club – Rm28 (SSI)
- Anti-bullying Ambassadors PM reg room 1
- After School: Yr8 & 10 football (NBR & BBR).
- Exams: AM English Literature, PM: Geography

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#### **Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September**

- Lunch: GCSE Open Art Studio – Rm3 (KMI)
- Netball club at lunch (all years on the courts)
- GCSE PE revision, Rm21 (CMO)
- Yr11 English Trip to Winchester to see Macbeth (PM)
- Exams: AM Spanish Writing, PM: Dance

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#### **Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> September**

- Year 7 football club at lunch (NBR)

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- PM Reg – Prefect meeting Rm1
  - After School Yr11 Football (CBA & RRO) & Yr9 Football (PCA & TSP)
  - Lunch: Vocal Ensemble (RBL, Rm2)
  - After School: Warhammer/Painting/Model Making Club (RBL, Rm2)
  - Exams: AM Biology, PM: Food Writing
  - **Information Evenings – Year 9 4:00–5:00pm, Year 10 5:15–6:15pm**
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### Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September

- Break – Inclusivity Alliance room 5
- Lunch: KS3 Art Club (25 spaces, 1st come, first served!)
- PM Reg – Head Pupil Meeting Rm1
- GCSE PE Intervention – Rm 28 (CMO & AGO)
- KS3 Girls Football run by KS4 female coaches
- Exams: AM Maths, PM French Listening & Reading

### Key dates for the Autumn 1 Term:

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> – Year 9 (4pm) & 10 (5.30pm) Information Evenings

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> September – Open Morning & Evening 9:30am – 12pm, 5:30pm – 7:30pm

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September – International Day

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October – Year 7 Form Tutor Evening (4.30pm to 7pm)

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October – Year 11 Mock Results Reveal Evening

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October – Year 7 House Party (during Period 5)

Have a lovely weekend!

Mr Richard Rooney