



Parent Briefing – w/c: 13/02/2017



News from The Catholic Church in Jersey

THE FRIENDS OF ST THOMAS' INVITE

Parishioners from across the Island to a lunch at the Hotel Ambassadeur on Sunday 23 April at 1pm for 1.30pm. Tickets are priced at £20 per person and £10 for children aged between 4 and 11 years old. You and your families are warmly invited to attend.

Application forms for tickets are available at the back of all churches (menu on back – no need to pre-order). Please complete and return forms to The Friends of St Thomas' c/o St Thomas' Presbytery, marked for the attention of Mrs Daphne Minihane. Please book early as tickets are limited to 200.

Chaplaincy News

Our prayer theme for next week is for **The Unemployed**. Please join with us by using the following prayer;

Heavenly Father, the Creator of all things, you have made us in your own image so that we may find joy in creative work: have mercy on all those who are unemployed, and those who find no enjoyment in their work. Help us to build a society where all may have work and find joy in doing it, for the good of our world and the glory of your name. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Please use the following link for an excellent resource to help prepare for Sunday Mass on Sunday 12th February 2017 - The Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

http://www.wednesdayword.org/downloads/parish_docs/462-A-Ord-06-2017.pdf

Whole school notices

Parking

Please be aware that all of the numbered spaces in the lower car park and up in Secondary are allocated to teachers. **Please do not park in these spaces.** It has also been brought to our attention that parents are parking in the space to your left after you drive through the lower gates. **Please do not park here:** parking in this space causes restriction to the Access Ramp and Private residences.

School fees –final reminder

A number of school fees still remain outstanding in respect of the Spring 2017 term. This is a final reminder. From the 20th February 2017 a 5% administration charge will be added to any outstanding balances. Therefore, unless already done so, please contact Andrew Videgrain, the College bursar on 754115 or a.videgrain@dls-jersey.co.uk to advise if you expect any further delay in settlement.

Summer Camp Booking Form - Years 5 to 9

We are now taking bookings for our Summer Camp. If your son is in Year 5 to 9 and he would like to book a place, please find the booking form attached.

Pupil Absence:

A reminder to all parents: if your son has vomited or had diarrhoea, guidelines state that the pupil has to be off school for a period of 48 hours after the last episode of either.

In the event of your child being unwell please contact the college via email, absence@dls-jersey.co.uk or telephone on 754103. Please do this each day until your son returns to school. We will not assume that if he was ill on Monday that is the reason he is absent on Tuesday unless you have previously informed us.

In the event your son becomes unwell at school and needs to go home, he should find the nearest teacher to inform them he has to go to sick bay. He should then go directly to sick bay and inform the admin team that he is unwell. The admin team will assist him and contact you, when necessary, to collect your son. Students should not contact parents in advance of going to the sick bay.

Primary School Notices

DRIVING ON THE SCHOOL SITE

Please could all parents driving on the school site be vigilant at all times. Whether on the slope at drop-off, parking in visitor spaces at Beeches House, or using the end-of-day playground parking, please always remember that this is a school site and children may not be as careful about traffic as they would be on the roads. Always drive VERY slowly and cautiously. Also, please keep close control of your son when returning to your car on the playground after pick-up. It has been reported to me that some drivers are using phones and boys are being allowed to run between the parked cars. An accident would be devastating so please be particularly careful when driving on the site. Thank you.

Mr Coutanche

Primary Dates for the Diary:

- **Thursday 16 February 0900 – 1200:** Open lessons for parents to visit classes
- **Thursday 2 March** We will be celebrating World Book Day with some events during the day. **Boys are encouraged to come to school dressed as a favourite book character.** We hope to have an author visit the school for the day.

The PTA will be organising a **Book Sale on World Book Day.** Please donate any pre-loved books to the PTA Book Sale. Books can be placed in the PTA boxes in the entrance to each Primary building. Children's books only, please.
- **Monday 6 March 1300 – 1500:** House Football at Bagatelle Field for Year 5 and Year 6.
- **Wednesday 8 March 1300 – 1500:** House Football at Bagatelle Field for Year 3 and Year 4.
- The Spring PTA Bingo night will be on **Friday 17th March**
- **Tuesday 21, Wednesday 22 and Thursday 23 March:** Parent consultations with class teachers for all primary (except Pre-Reception and Year 6).
- **Red Nose Day is on Friday 24th March.** As usual the Primary School will be involved in Comic Relief. All boys will be invited to come to school wearing "**Silly Socks**" (with their normal Friday uniform) in return for a minimum £1 donation to Comic Relief. We are also planning a class dance-off and joke telling marathons – details to follow!
- **EARLY NOTICE: Primary Walk will be on Friday 28 April.**

Secondary School Notices

Island Walk

We urgently require parent helpers for the Island Walk on 30th March. If you are able to help on any check points please contact Mr McCarthy on: j.mccarthy@dls-jersey.co.uk

Lost property

The school office will need to dispose of any remaining lost property at half-term to make space for future lost items. Could parents / guardians please remind students to check in the event that they have lost property this term.

Rhodes House Car Wash

Car wash reminder this Saturday, in the lower car park! Please come and support the boys from Rhodes House in the cold conditions! Minimum donation £5. All in aid of Friends of Mont a'Labbe.

Year 7

- The PTA will be organising a **Book Sale on World Book Day (March 2nd)**. Please donate any pre-loved books to the PTA Book Sale. Books can be placed in the PTA boxes in the entrance to the Brother Edward Building. Children's books only, please.

Year 7 and 8

Spring Assessment Week

The Spring assessment week for Years 7 and 8 commences on Monday 6 March (2nd week after half term). The exams will be sat during normal timetabled lessons, in the normal classrooms, unless specified otherwise.

Revision lists and exam timetables can be accessed by following this link:

W:\Secondary pupils\1 Exams Internal

(The exam timetables are excel documents and are organised by teaching group, the boys will need to scroll down the page to see their particular group.)

Year 8

CRIME AND SAFETY AWARENESS DAY PRESENTED BY “PRISON, ME, NO WAY”

TUESDAY 14th FEBRUARY 2017

On **Tuesday, 14th February 2017** it is intended that Year 8 pupils will participate in an extraordinary day involving numerous agencies, for example the Prison Service, Police, Ambulance and Fire Service. They will look at crime, consequences and imprisonment using a variety of unique learning techniques.

Year 9

Wednesday 15th February – Immunisations

Year 9 & 10

Spring Assessment Week

The Spring assessment week for Years 9 and 10 commences on Monday 27 February (1st week after half term). The exams will be sat during normal timetabled lessons, in the normal classrooms, unless specified otherwise.

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Year 10

Careers Morning - Thank you to our Year 10 Careers Presentation team this week.

PC Joanna Carter – Police Service.

Mr Jeremy Field – Careers Jersey.

Mr Nick Dingle – Fitness Industry.

If boys have further questions they can be contacted through the school website:

Members/Students/Careers...

http://dls-jersey.co.uk/?page_id=230

Students and their parents can also use our Job Explorer Database if they wish.

<https://chas.careersoft.co.uk/sign-in/default.aspx?CookieConfirm=636222329375807534>

(Required Login Code = **ta7tu663**)

Year 11

- **External exams** run from Monday 15th May until Thursday 29th of June. Individual exam timetable information will not be available until entries have been confirmed on February 27th.

Spring Assessment Week

The final Y11 Mocks will take place during the week beginning 6th of March, examinations will take place in the sports hall under strict exam conditions.

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GCSE past papers can be accessed by following this link:

W:\Secondary pupils\2 Exams External GCSE

- **Prepare Revision Academy**

Please find a flyer attached to this briefing for an Easter Holiday Revision Academy. The Academy is available to any student studying GCSEs/A Levels in Jersey

- **Year 11 Music support sessions after school** with Mr. Pallot

Tuesdays 3.30-4.30pm

Thursdays 3.30-4.30pm

Year 11 Music support sessions at lunchtime with Mr. Woods. 1.00 – 1.30pm

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday

- **Support sessions for yr 11 Drama controlled assessment**

Available every Thursday from 19th January to 16th February 3:30-4:30 in the sixth form study area.

- **Geography Revision Club** for Year 11 Thursday 3:30-4:00 with Mr Mckenna .

Year 12

Work Shadow schemes—Wednesday 1st March at Hautlieu School at 4pm.

Any Year 12 student who is interested in taking part in one of the schemes (IOD, Construction or Marketing) should try to attend this session where an outline to the schemes will be given and representatives from the relevant organisations will be present.

Trident Jersey's A & G team will also be presenting a workshop on 'CV writing and Cover Letters' straight after the brief talk.

Year 12 and 13

Spring Assessment Week

The final Y12 & Y13 Mocks will take place during the week beginning 6th of March, examinations will take place in the sports hall under strict exam conditions.

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Copies of mock exam timetables have been distributed to Sixth Form students and spare copies are also available in the Sixth Form Area. Consortium students will need to advise consortium teachers of any potential lessons missed due to completing a mock exam.

- **External exams** run from Monday 15th May until Thursday 29th of June. Individual exam timetable information will not be available until entries have been confirmed on February 27th.
- **Jersey Touch Rugby**—opportunity to try touch rugby for players 16 years and over. Please see the flyer attached.
- Please find attached information on the **Bedell Cristen bursary scheme**.

Year 13

Please follow this link to track your university application:

<https://www.ucas.com/ucas/undergraduate/apply-and-track/track-your-application/extra-choices>

Clubs and Activities in School

Monday 13th February

Y7 Rugby Tour to Guernsey departs

Year 9 Football – Games Hall – Lunch time

Years 12 & 13 – Fitness Club – Fitness Suite – 15:45 – 16:45

Tuesday 14th February

Year 10 Football – Games Hall – Lunch time

Years 12 & 13 – Fitness Club – Fitness Suite – 15:45 – 16:45

All Years – Trampoline Club – Sports Hall – 15:45 – 16:45

Wednesday 15th February

Year 11 Football – Games Hall – Lunch time

Years 10 & 11 – Fitness Club – Fitness Suite – 15:30 – 16:30

All years – Table Tennis Club – Gym - 15:45 – 16:45

Year 10 GCSE Volleyball Match –Sports Hall - 15:45 – 16:45

Thursday 16th February

Year 7 Football – Games Hall – Lunch time

All Years – Badminton Club – Gym – 15:45 – 16:45

Years 10 & 11 – Fitness Club – Fitness Suite – 15:45 – 16:45

Friday 17th February

Year 8 Football – Games Hall – Lunch time

Years 12 & 13 – Fitness Club – Fitness Suite – 15:45 – 16:45

Fixtures

Day/Date	KO	Venue	Age	Home		Away
Monday	4pm	GR	U18	DLS	v	HAUT

Please note: fixtures are as per the island fixture calendar but may be subject to mid-week changes due to unforeseen circumstances.

Your son will be kept informed of any changes.



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For College sports updates:
@DLSjsyPE