



Parent Briefing – w/c: 23/01/2017



News from The Catholic Church in Jersey

WELCOME TO BISHOP PHILIP EGAN

The formal rite of welcoming the Bishop to the whole parish will take place this **Saturday, 21 January**, at the beginning of 6pm Mass in St Thomas' Church.

Bishop Philip will be celebrating all Masses in St Thomas' Church and St Mary & St Peter's Church this weekend. Bishop Philip looks forward to greeting as many of you as possible.

You are all warmly invited to attend Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with Bishop Philip at St Thomas' Church on **Saturday 21 January** at 4.30pm. Confessions with Bishop Philip will take place afterwards between 5pm and 5.45pm.

In the evening he will be meeting members of the Evangelisation Strategy Team, staff from Catholic Pastoral Services and representatives from the 'Called and Gifted' programme.

On **Sunday 22 January** Bishop Philip will be meeting our second year Confirmation candidates during their weekend retreat at St Mary & St Peter's Church. In the evening he hopes to meet some of our Polish community before the 7.30pm Mass celebrated by Fr Wieslaw.

Bishop Philip will be celebrating Masses in the East on the weekend of **4 & 5 February** and the weekend of **25 & 26 February** he will be in the West. More details about these two weekends will be given nearer the dates

Chaplaincy News

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

Heavenly Father, we remember before you all those who bear the inner and outer scars of the Holocaust and of subsequent acts of genocide.

Restrain those who are filled with hatred and use violence to pursue their ends. Change their hearts. Help us to recognise our own capacity for evil and allow your Spirit to purge it from our beings.

Enable us to defend those who are not strong enough to defend themselves, and to be ready to bring the light of your truth into the dark areas of human experience.

Deepen our respect for everything you have made. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.

For further information on Holocaust Memorial Day please see <http://hmd.org.uk/>

Please use the following link for an excellent resource to help prepare for Sunday Mass on Sunday 22nd January 2017 - The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

http://www.wednesdayword.org/downloads/parish_docs/459-A-Ord-03-2017.pdf

Whole school notices

Maths Pedagogy Talk

Thank you to all Key Stage 2 and 3 parents who attended our Maths Curriculum talk on Tuesday evening; it was wonderful to see so many people and to have the opportunity to reinforce our partnership in supporting your sons through the College.

As emphasised on the evening, please do contact the College if you have any queries. We are passionate about our teaching and learning and keen to ensure every student is supported to achieve to his potential, and our ongoing dialogue with parents is a crucial part of our success.

As part of the parent briefing, please find attached a copy of the PowerPoint presentation and a copy of the main hand-out from the evening.

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.

Holiday Requests:

Absences for term time holidays and absences not due to illness must be approved by the head teacher. To facilitate this please put any requests in writing via the email address above or as a letter handed in to reception. Requests should be made prior to making any bookings. If a pupil's parents are separated, we would appreciate that we receive a request from both parents to facilitate a more speedy response.

Celebrating Achievements

It is important to us that we are able to celebrate your son's achievements with him and so we would be very grateful if you could please keep us informed of anything your son has done/achieved outside school.

Please email any details and/or photos to Mrs Lucy Fosse: l.fosse@dls-jersey.co.uk

Whole School Notices continued...

Twitter

We now have a separate Twitter account dedicated to De La Salle College PE. Please follow **@DLSjsyPE** to receive all future sports updates.

LinkedIn

We now also have a De La Salle LinkedIn account. Please do follow us to be kept updated with what we publish via this platform.

Primary School Notices

Keeping safe in car-seats:

Many boys still use different types of car-seat. Please click on the following hyperlink to an article about checking that thick winter coats are not impeding the effectiveness of your child's car-seat

<https://www.familiesonline.co.uk/local/south-east-staffordshire/in-the-know/winter-coat-and-car-seat-advice-for-parents>

Primary Dates for the Diary:

- **Tuesday 7 February 1600 - 1800:** 6Aleph parent consultations with secondary teachers. Appointment booking details will be sent shortly.
- **Wednesday 8 February 1600 - 1800:** 6Alpha parent consultations with secondary teachers. Appointment booking details will be sent shortly.
- **Thursday 16 February 0900 – 1200:** Open lessons for parents to visit classes (details to follow).
- **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.
- **Tuesday 21, Wednesday 22 and Thursday 23 March:** Parent consultations with class teachers for all primary (except Pre-Reception and Year 6).
- **EARLY NOTICE: Primary Walk will be on Friday 28 April.**

Year 1-3

The Sports Division of the EDTSC Department is running a new Super Sport programme for Y1-3 which starts on Monday 23rd January. Please find a flyer with full information attached to this briefing.

Year 6

The Jersey Cricket Board is aiming to get more school children in years 6,7 & 8 playing cricket within their affiliated clubs. Attached is a poster with more information regarding the club training nights.

Secondary School Notices

Stanley House Fundraising in aid of the RNLI—Summary and thank you

Over the course of three years, Stanley house has raised over £6000 for the RNLI. A fabulous and worthwhile donation to a charity that makes such a valuable contribution to our Island community.

During our charity week in November, we had the opportunity to visit the St Helier Lifeboat station and go on board the lifeboat there. The standard of the navigational and safety equipment on board was truly impressive. We were introduced to some of the brave men and women who risk their lives by going out in often treacherous conditions to rescue islanders or visitors to our shores. We met the only paid member of the lifeboat crew, the mechanic, Reese, who showed us around.

Our Charity Fundraising consisted of various initiatives. Each form raised money in their own way, but our main event took place at Liberty Wharf where students performed their music to Christmas shoppers in our yearly busking event.

We also sold tickets for our raffle draw. The prize winners were:

3rd prize **Mrs Parslow** who won two cinema vouchers

2nd prize **Luke Roscouet** who won two water sports vouchers

1st prize **Etienne Huckson** who won two direct return flights to any FlyDirect destination

Thank you to everyone who made a contribution to our fundraising efforts.

Secondary School Notices continued...

RHODES HOUSE CHARITY WEEK IN AID OF 'Friends of Mont a l'Abbe'

Monday 30TH January - Friday 3rd February

Once again this year, all the boys of Rhodes House have discussed, voted and decided on the charity they wish to support. I am pleased to announce that this year we will be supporting a new charity 'Friends of Mont a l'Abbe'. The key aspect of the boys deciding to choose this charity is that they wanted to help children of their age and younger, in Jersey.

We will aim to support the charity by raising as much money as possible to enable them to purchase specific resources to support the children, but also to raise awareness of the good work that they do with children with special needs.

During our fundraiser week there will be a number of activities taking place at break times and lunchtimes which have been thought up, designed and managed by the students of Rhodes themselves. The activities include;

Year 7 and 8– Sweet jar and Penalty Shoot Out competition

Year 9 – An auction will run during the week, where the boys can view the items on sale on Monday and Tuesday and then bid for them on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday lunch times.

Year 10- Run a raffle- with the winning tickets picked out at our Bingo evening (see below)

Year 11 - A 'Wet the Teacher Competition'! Here the boys will have an opportunity to donate money to see three of our brave staff get soaked with water.

Rhodes 6th form will be organising their House Cake Sale on the last Friday of our charity week. They will also, once again, be organising and running our annual Car Wash which will hopefully, weather permitting, take place on Saturday 11th February between 9am and 12.15pm at school.

This year Rhodes House will also be aiming to run a family Bingo Evening at school. There will be an opportunity to play a number of Bingo games, win prizes, mix with other families, enjoy some food, drink and snacks and take part in our raffle with the draw taking place that evening. A separate letter and ticket request form will be sent out shortly.

One request we will be making to all boys during the week, is to try and bring in a 'bottle'. The Friends of Mont a l'Abbe group put on bottles stores at the fetes but are running short. If anyone has a spare bottle of wine, mayonnaise, perfume etc and they would be happy to donate it, please could they pass it to Mr Barrett or leave in reception. In this way we are supporting their own fundraising events.

Should you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact Mr Barrett at s.barrett@dls-jersey.co.uk

Finally, thank you in advance for supporting us and this very worthy charity, and to the boys and Rhodes' tutors for their hard work in organising these events.

Secondary School Notices continued...

- **Island Walk Reminder**—Please **COMPLETE CAREFULLY** and **sign the form attached, returning it by Friday 27th January to your son's house tutor.** A sponsorship form will then be issued in due course which must be returned with any sponsorship raised after the walk.

Year 7 and 8

The Jersey Cricket Board is aiming to get more secondary school children in years 7 & 8 playing cricket within their affiliated clubs. Attached is a poster with more information regarding the club training nights.

Year 9

DIPHTHERIA/TETANUS/POLIO & MenACWY BOOSTER IMMUNISATIONS

The School Nurse will be in attendance on **Wednesday 15th February** to administer this vaccination.

Packs containing an information leaflet, a letter from the School Nurses and a Parental Consent form have been posted out to you earlier this week.

You will note that we are asking that you check the details of the information you receive and complete and return the consent form, **via your son, duly signed, to his House tutor before FRIDAY 3rd FEBRUARY 2017.**

Thank you for your co-operation in this regard.

Year 10

Year 10 Peary and Rhodes Parents' Evening— Tuesday 24th January from 4pm

Year 10 Scott and Stanley Parents' Evening— Wednesday 25th January from 4pm

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Year 10 continued...

All year 10 students have their final **RS GCSE exams** this Year. It is essential that their preparation begins now. I have issued the attached documents to all Year 10 students to help them organise their revision.

Year 10 Revision Plan

This document lists all of the dates of the mock exams and internal assessments. It also includes information about the RS Club and a list of all the deadlines that the boys are expected to meet. The deadlines refer to sections of the Revision Workbook which need to be filled out.

Revision Diary (planner)

This is a calendar running from the 30th January to 16th June. This covers the whole exam preparation period and includes all the holidays, assessments, RS Club dates and revision days. Students have been advised to list all the work that needs doing, cross off any days when they will be unable to revise and fill in the list of work on to the calendar to ensure that the required revision is completed before the deadline/relevant assessment.

2 Revision Workbooks

These booklets include key questions from the course which, almost always, require four answers each. Students should include their four points as well as evidence to back them up. We encourage this to be done in note form and then expect students to complete past papers, available on the shared area, to practise their exam technique.

There are additional revision materials on the school website which are available to all Year 10 students. I have attached the following four for your information:

- Mark's Gospel self-marking key word test
- Religion and Life self-marking key word test
- Mark's Gospel C &D questions (for past paper practise)
- Religion and Life C &D questions (for past paper practise)

Should you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

A.Martin

Head of Religious Studies

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.
- **Y11 Science** - a letter has been given to all boys regarding revision guides they will be given, and revision work books that they may wish to purchase.
- **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 and 13

- **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.
- **University College Jersey** have launched a new Foundation degree (FdSc) in Psychology and Criminology. Please see the attached flyer. The course is **open for applications**, using the UCJ application form found here (applications are being accepted for Sept 2017): <http://www.highlands.ac.uk/application-forms/>

The course fee will be £6,370 per annum. Progression routes for a 3rd year (BSc in Social Sciences) on-island and a third year (BSc Psychological Studies) at Plymouth University are detailed on the flyer, as are the entry criteria.

Please note that an application for this programme *does not* impact on any student's applications through UCAS, or to any other degree at University College Jersey.

Students (or colleagues) wanting to know more can contact Ben Bennett on 608699, or Mary Ayling-Philip (608668) for more information.

Clubs and Activities in School

Monday 23rd January

Year 9 Football – Games Hall – Lunch time

Year 7&8 Rugby Skills – Games Hall – 15:30-16:30

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

Tuesday 24th January

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 25th January

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 10/11 & 6th form Rugby Training – Games Hall – 15:30-16:45

Thursday 26th January

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 27th January

Year 8 Football – Games Hall – Lunch time

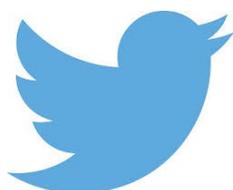
Years 12 & 13 – Fitness Club – Fitness Suite – 15:45 – 16:45

Fixtures

Day/Date	KO	Venue	Age	Home		Away
Tuesday 24th	16:00	LR	U13	LR	v	DLS

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.



Please remember to follow us on Twitter for regular updates and information:
@DeLaSalleJersey

For College sports updates:
@DLSjsyPE