



Parent Briefing – w/c: 10/07/2017



News from The Catholic Church in Jersey

Parents of all boys in (new) Years 9 and 10 are asked to note that enrolment for the Sacrament of Confirmation programme will be taking place at the beginning of the autumn term.

The dates for the celebration of the Sacrament are either 16 or 17 June 2018.

Please look out for further details in the Church newsletter in early September.

Should you require any information in advance of then, please contact the College chaplain Deacon David Cahill d.cahill@dls-jersey.co.uk

Chaplaincy News

Please join us in our prayer theme for the week, for Europe, as July 11th is the Feast of St. Benedict, patron saint of Europe.

The prayer we shall be using is:

O Lord our God, we commend to you the people of Europe, evangelized by Peter and Paul, by the monks and by the saints; Watch over the peoples united by so many ties but also divided, over time, by hatred and war. Help us to work for a Europe founded not only on economic agreements, but also on human and eternal values, especially the beauty, goodness, and truth of the Gospel. 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 9th July 2017 – The Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

http://www.wednesdayword.org/downloads/parish_docs/484-A-Ord-14-2017.pdf

Rev Daniel Etienne's Ordination to the Sacred Priesthood 1 July 2017

At 12.15pm on Saturday 1st July Rev Daniel Etienne was ordained a priest for the Diocese of Lancaster by Bishop Michael Campbell OSA in Lancaster Cathedral. This joyous occasion was shared with many family and friends from Jersey including his former Headmaster, Mr Jason Turner.

Father Etienne is a former pupil, having joined the Secondary School in September 2001. He received much support at this school and progressed to achieve 3 A levels before going on to Lancaster University to study History with Theology. From there he spent three years in the English College in Rome and three years at St Mary's College, Oscott where he was ordained a deacon last December.

He will be in Jersey on the weekend of 15/16 July and will be celebrating Mass at St. Thomas' Church on Sunday 16 July at 6.00pm. He would be delighted to meet you all.

More pictures to follow in the newsletter.



Whole School Notices

Reminder for end of term:

School finishes at noon on Friday 14th July and there will be no school buses after school.

Amendment to 2017/2018 Term Dates

Please find attached the 2017.2018 revised term dates and the 2018.2019 term dates. Unfortunately it has proven necessary to publish revised term dates for 2017.2018 to include a recently agreed all Island teachers INSET day scheduled for the last day of the Spring term 2018. This additional all Island Teachers INSET day is an initiative of the Education Department, which the DLS Governors have been asked to support. As a consequence of this additional day, the Secondary school Island Walk will now take place on Tuesday the 27th March 2018. On behalf of the DLS Governors I apologise for any inconvenience this revision to our published term dates for 2017.2018 may cause.

School fees 2017-18

School fees for the Autumn 2017 term will be sent out during week commencing 14 August 2017.

In respect of parents paying monthly, invoices are available upon request.

In case you wish to pay before then, the amount of £1,935.00 can be paid on line to 402534 and account number 72211009. Please note that the account number may be different from what you have previously used. Also, ensure the students name is the reference on the bank payment.

If paying by cheque, please ensure you write the students name on the back of the cheque.

Also, some parents have enquired about paying the full year in advance. If you wish to do this, please pay the amount of £5,805 to the same bank details above.

Please contact Andrew Videgrain, the school bursar, in case you have any queries. His e-mail is a.videgrain@dls-jersey.co.uk and his phone number is 754115.

Pupil Absence:

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 pupils parents are separated, we would appreciate that we receive a request from both parents to facilitate a more speedy response.

Parking:

Please be aware that all of the numbered spaces in both staff car parks are allocated to staff.
Please do not park in these spaces.

Centenary Teddies

We have a limited number of Centenary Teddy Bears available to purchase.

If you would like to place an order please contact
Leesa Sale at: centenary@dls-jersey.co.uk



Centenary request

Please if anyone has any blue bottles, similar to those in the photo , they are needed for the Centenary. Please drop them into school or contact Leesa Sale on 754110 or [centenary @dls-jersey.co.uk](mailto:centenary@dls-jersey.co.uk). Many thanks



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

ATF Fuels Cricket Summer School 2017

We have been asked to bring the following to parents attention but we are unable to endorse the quality or otherwise of the course or the teaching. Each year the Jersey Cricket Board, runs a cricket summer school during the first 2 weeks of the summer holidays. Attached is the poster and booking form with full information.

Primary School Notices

E-Safety

With the summer holidays ahead many of the boys may be using computers, Xboxes, phones and other devices much more than during their busy term times. Whilst technology is very much part of their lives, it is important that their online presence is monitored to keep them safe. Games, social media sites (the most well-known ones are 13+) and movies all have age guidance to protect children from doing, seeing or saying something they may later regret; people may not be who they say they are online; and children unthinkingly share lots of personal data online (simply allowing geo-tagging of photos gives their location and time) which could be used against them. As always it is a balance between giving responsibility and protecting from potential harm. At school the boys are familiar with the ThinkUKnow website, which has age-related information and activities as well as a section of information and support for parents. The Vodafone "Digital Parenting" magazine is a very good resource which I have given out at parent meetings. I would suggest you browse both resources so that you are able to be more informed of the digital world your son inhabits.

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/> <http://www.vodafone.com/content/digital-parenting.html#>

Reception

Reception Graduation is taking place on Monday 10th July at 2pm

Year 5

Year 5-6 transition day

This will be happening on Monday 10th July

Safety in Action

Year 5 will be up at Highlands College on Tuesday 11th July for Safety in Action

Year 6

YR6 Leavers assembly St M & St P booked out all day

Secondary School Notices

Lockers

Every student in the secondary school will need to empty his locker at the end of term in order for them to be cleaned over the summer break. Please encourage your son to start bringing his books and other belongings home over the following week in order to avoid carrying everything home on the last day.

House Cup Champions Reward Day

This reward day will be on Thursday 13 July at Cineworld

Trip to Spain - Activities week 2018

Mrs Napton has already started planning next year's Spanish trip. She has taken the decision to visit Toledo instead of Granada next year. Please find a letter attached with full information, including guideline costs and details of how to reserve a place on the trip.

Developing Goalkeeping

Please find a flyer attached to this email regarding workshops that are running over the summer holidays for goalkeepers. We have been asked to bring this to parents attention but we are unable to endorse the quality or otherwise of the course or the teaching.

Year 13

Biology

On Monday 10th July the A level Biology students will go to Green Island beach in order to undertake some seashore ecology as part of their A level course. Students have been provided with a letter for parents outlining the visit. It is important that all students attend as the work will form part of their practical endorsement