



Parent Briefing – w/c: 25/09/2017



News from The Catholic Church in Jersey

Youth 2000 has returned after its summer break. Join us Thursday evenings in the youth room (above St Thomas's Hall) from 18.30-20.30. This is aimed at school years 10 upwards. If you want an opportunity to explore, discuss and develop your faith in a friendly environment then please join us in the youth room above St Thomas's Hall. There is an opportunity to order takeaway.

School year 7 and upwards, the youth room will be open on Friday evenings for 'chill out' time with friends. Come along and have fun with other young Catholics from across the island schools. Come along and meet your youth stewards and hear about the planned activities available during the autumn term.

Youth Pilgrimage opportunity 20-26 August 2018 We are planning a youth pilgrimage to Ireland, joining the youth programme at the World Meeting of Families in Dublin. It is hoped that Pope Francis will be celebrating the closing Mass. If any youth are interested please contact Moyra. Parents if you want to know more about this and think your young person would be interested please contact Moyra. There will be an information meeting in the youth room at 7pm on Friday 6 October.

Calling young musicians - Are you interested in giving a small performance. We are planning a youth concert towards the end of November. If you have rehearsed a piece for the Jersey Eisteddfod why not think about performing it again for our Catholic parish. If you enjoy playing an instrument or singing for fun please think about taking part. More information to follow. In the meantime you can express interest to Moyra.



YSVP There are lots of opportunities available for youth to get involved in volunteering activities in order to give a service to our wider community. Learn, live love. Come along and find out more. We will be having a talk about YSVP during Friday evening 22 September in the youth room, and looking at how you can get involved.

Non-Catholic friends are very welcome to be involved in any of the above. The Youth co-ordinator, Moyra, can be contacted at m.journeaux@catholicchurch.org.je

Chaplaincy News

Please join us in our prayer theme for the week which is for The Society of St. Vincent de Paul and read the separate notice with this bulletin regarding how we can support our local SVP group.

The prayer we shall be using is:

Heavenly Father, in your constant goodness, you raised Saint Vincent de Paul in your Church as an apostle of your ardent charity. Spread the flame of love in all those members of the Society of Vincent de Paul, so that through love of you, they give without restraint from what they have to those who have nothing, even to giving themselves. 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 24th September 2017 – The Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

http://www.wednesdayword.org/downloads/parish_docs/495-A-Ord-25-2017.pdf

Whole School Notices

Boys' Mental Health Talk

Victoria College is hosting a talk on boys' mental health on Thursday 12th October from 7-8.30pm. Anyone is welcome to attend and full information, including how to book, is attached to this briefing.

School photos - Wednesday 27th September

'Mop-up' session. This is for those students who did not have their photograph taken at the start of the term.

Parking plea from the Animal Shelter

Please do not use the Animal Shelter as a pick up and drop off point for boys. It gets busy there and the extra traffic is causing congestion.

School fees

These are now overdue. Unless otherwise advised to the School Bursar, please can you arrange settlement immediately.

If you expect a further delay with payment, please contact Andrew Videgrain on 754115 or email at a.videgrain@dls-jersey.co.uk

If you're unable to locate your fees invoice, please contact the bursar on the above details.

Parking on site

Please be aware that all of the numbered spaces in both staff car parks are allocated to teachers.

Please do not park in these spaces.

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.

Visitors

Any visitors to the school must report to either Reception. Entry to the site is only through the school reception.

Pupil Absence:

Reminder to all parents that any absences through medical/dental appointments must be preauthorised via our attendance officer: absence@dls-jersey.co.uk

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.

Centenary Year

Reminder: School finishes at 1300 tomorrow. Primary and Secondary arrangements differ but all parents will have received an email outlining the specific arrangements.

The following week on the **29th September** there will be a special football match between the staff team and Old Boys team. The match is at Springfield stadium and kicks off at 6.15pm. Admission is free but donations will be gratefully received at the event. Any Old Boys who wish to play should contact Paul Livesey at p.livesey@dls-jersey.co.uk or look for the information on the College website. We are hoping for a large crowd at what should be a fun event.

Marathon

Ms Napton is captaining the De La Salle Beeches Beaux marathon team again this year. Come along and support the team on **Sunday 1 October**: Leg 1 - Mr Sharrock, Leg 2 - Mr Perrée, Leg 3 - Miss Quinn, Leg 4 - Ms Napton and Leg 5 - Mrs Le Huray

Primary Notices

First Holy Communion registrations (for Year 4 and above).

THIS SUNDAY

St Thomas' After 9.15am Mass

St Mary's and St Peter's After 11.30am Mass

St Bernadette, St Matthieu, Sacred Heart After 11.15 Mass at St Bernadette

AND

Our Lady St Martin and St Patrick Registration at 7.30pm on Tuesday 26 September

School drop off

Please do not arrive on the school site before 7.30am

End of Day Routine

If any boys "End of Day" routines have changed please can parents let Primary know in writing or email to primary.secretary@dls-jersey.co.uk

Secondary School Notices

Revision and Assessment Windows

During assemblies and form times over this half term, we are continuing to talk to students about the revision and assessment windows. Our Autumn term assessments provide the opportunity to continue to develop revision skills and exam skills. The assessment weeks for all year groups except Year 11 take place in the last week of this half term and the first week of the next half term (weeks commencing Monday 16 October and Monday 30 October.) Year 11 practice papers will be sat in the week commencing 30 October, immediately after half term.

Our revision window opened on Monday 18 September. The first week of the revision window is always designated as a 'Memorisation' phase, and the three remaining weeks as 'Practice' phases. Our attachments this week include 'revision windows guidance' which provides more detail about how to use these weeks productively and in a stress-free manner!

We also attach a document which summarises how to develop 'good study habits' for parents to have as information. Over the course of your son's time with us, we will continue to support the development of these study habits and skills. The second page of that document provides a framework for you to discuss with your son should you choose to do so; this framework can encourage your son to talk to you about his own revision and study habits and ways that he can improve.

Our advice is to follow the guidance and use the tasks set by departments over the revision phase, and plan to relax and not work during the half-term holiday! The assessments in each of our windows are 'summative' and can test anything that students have learnt to that date (including some of the skills, knowledge and understanding from Key Stage 2.) One of the key changes to the new GCSE and A level specifications is an increased emphasis on the need to respond to unseen contexts. Exam technique tends to have a greater impact on final results than knowledge, hence our emphasis on 1 week 'memorisation' and 3 weeks 'practice'.

Departments also have additional resources that any students who wish to complete further independent study can refer to. Subject teachers will talk to students about what is available and how to access these

Secondary School Notices continued...

Homework Timetables

Please find all homework timetables attached to this briefing.

Please be reminded that for Y7 & Y8 students each homework is set to last up to 30mins

For Y9, Y10 & Y11 each homework is set to last up to 45mins.

Edible Treat

Senior boys will be receiving an edible treat on Monday to mark the school centenary. The treat is not allergen free. It will however be in a foil bag so the boys don't have to open it and can bring it home.

RE Harvest Competition Instructions and Rules

Please bring in tins or packets of food to donate to the St Vincent de Paul Society. Each packet or tin collected will equate to 1 point in the competition. The house with the most points wins.

Please find additional information attached

De La Salle Ski Trip 2018 – Verbier

There are a few places remaining on this year's upcoming trip, please download the letter details and application form here: <http://dls-jersey.co.uk/?p=2399>

Peary House charity week is just around the corner

Peary Charity Week will take place from the 2nd – 6th of October all monies raised will go to Jersey Hospice Care. Details of a planned cake sale on Friday 6 October are attached.

Year 7

Year 7 Parent Evening: Meet the teachers

Thursday 28 September 1800 - 1930.

Parking is on the school playground and tea, coffee and cake will be served

Achievement Assembly

Wednesday 27 September

Year 7 meet and greet

We hope to see as many Year 7 students and parents as possible at the Peary House 'Meet and Greet' to help raise money for Jersey Hospice



Year 9

Parents' Meeting

Informal Parents' meetings are being scheduled for 9th October. This will be an opportunity to discuss how your son is settling in with his GCSE studies. A letter has been sent out but you will also find a copy attached

Year 9 Curriculum

Please be advised that the Y9 Curriculum presentation and Curriculum Booklet 2017-2020 is being loaded onto the school website

Year 10

Curriculum Evening

Wednesday 27 September in the Sports Hall from 1800 - 1900

Trident meeting

Wednesday 27 September in Sports Hall from 1900- 1930

De La Salle PE Department

Clubs and Activities in School

Monday 25th September

Year 9 Football – Games Hall – Lunch time

All years Trampoline club - Gym– 15:45 – 16:45

All years Cricket Nets – Sports Hall – 15:45 – 16:45

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

Tuesday 26th September

Year 10 Football – Games Hall – Lunch

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

All years Badminton club - Gym– 15:45 – 16:45

Wednesday 27th September

Year 11 Football – Games Hall – Lunch

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

All years Touch Rugby – Sports Hall – 15:45 – 16:45

Thursday 28th September

Year 7 Football – Games Hall – Lunch

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

Friday 29th September

Year 8 Football – Games Hall – Lunch time

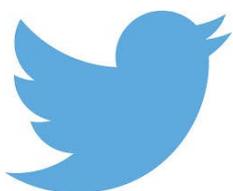
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Fixtures

Tuesday	26-Sep	10		DLS		VC	15:45	Vic College
Wednesday	27-Sep	9	a	HV		DLS	15:45	F.B.Fields
Wednesday	27-Sep	9	b	HV		DLS	15:45	F.B.Fields
Thursday	28-Sep	11		DLS		VC	15:45	Vic College
Thursday	28-Sep	8	a	HV		DLS	15:45	Haute Vallee
Saturday	30-Sep	8	a	DLS		GR	09:00	F.B.Fields
Saturday	30-Sep	8	b	DLS		GR	10:15	F.B.Fields

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