



Parent Briefing – w/c: 27/11/2017



News from The Catholic Church in Jersey

NIGHT OF LIGHT

Encounter the living presence of Christ in this pre Advent evening of prayer and light at Sacred Heart Church on **Friday 1 December** at 7pm to 10pm. The Church doors will be open with passers-by invited to come in and light a prayer candle. We need people to be in the church to join in the singing and to pray for the needs of the community of our Island and to welcome those who may be drawn in.

Our invitation for the evening is, *'Come and go as you please, the church is open for you'*. This is an opportunity to show that our faith is alive, active and open to all, an opportunity for evangelisation. There will be exposition of the Blessed Sacrament throughout. You do not need to stay for the whole event but your support at any time during the evening would be much appreciated.

Youth news

National Youth Sunday

This Sunday, the feast of Christ the King, is **National Youth Sunday** in England and Wales. Pope Francis, when addressing young people, said that they have something to say in the church. To help us listen to insights of the young people in our parish, we are inviting young people from year 7 upwards, to join us for National Youth Sunday.

'Every young person has something to say to others. He or she has something to say to adults, something to say to priests, sisters, bishops and even the Pope. All of us need to listen to you!' (Pope Francis)

Meet at St Patrick's Church Hall at 1pm. Bring a packed lunch. Drinks and snacks provided. **This event is a compulsory part of the 2nd year Confirmation programme but open to everyone from year 7 upwards.** Youth will carry the Jersey World Youth Day cross on a Walk of Witness followed by a special youth Mass celebrated in St Thomas's Church at 3.30pm. If you are interested in being an Altar Server, Reader or Flag Bearer for the International Mass then please contact Moyra.

Youth Concert is Sunday afternoon 10th December at St Mary and St Peter's Catholic Church 2-4pm (including refreshments). Please come and support your youth. We have a fantastic programme of talented youth.

Are you school year 10 plus? Are you interested in taking on a leadership role within the parish? If you are interested in joining the new Parish Youth Assembly or hearing more about what it involves, contact Moyra on the Youth phone, via the Facebook page or by emailing m.journeaux@catholicchurch.org.je

Youth 2000 continues on Thursdays from 6.30-8.30pm with the Life in Christ programme including some time in Adoration.

Youth Room open Fridays from 7-10pm for chill out time as we continue to prepare for our Giving Tree Advent project.

For more information on what is happening in Youth Ministry and to view our autumn term programme of events, please visit our website on www.jacy.org.je

Follow us on Twitter @JaCy2005

To keep updated like us on Facebook - Jersey Association of Catholic Youth

Chaplaincy News

Please join us in our prayer theme for next week when we will be praying for migrants and refugees, as we prepare to enter the season of Advent we remember that Mary and Joseph spent time as migrants, on their journey to Bethlehem, and then as refugees when fleeing the persecution of Herod with the infant Jesus.

The prayer we shall be using is:

Heavenly Father, no one is a stranger to you and no one is ever far from your loving care. In your kindness watch over refugees and exiles, those separated from their loved ones, young people who are lost, and those who have left or run away from home. Bring them safely to the place where they long to be and help us always to show your kindness to strangers and those in need. 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 26th November 2017 – The Thirty Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time and Feast of Christ The King

http://www.wednesdayword.org/downloads/parish_docs/504-Christ-the-King-2017.pdf

Whole School Notices **Year 7, 2019 Admissions**

We will shortly be commencing the admission process for Year 7, 2019 applicants. If you have a son, who does NOT already attend our Primary School, and who you would like to be considered for a place in Year 7, 2019, please ensure that he is registered with us before January 2018.

Centenary Ties and Teddies

We have a limited amount of teddies available for £10 each.

We have sold out of ties and so have placed a new order of small, medium and large sizes. If you would like to place an order please email Mr McCarthy on j.mccarthy@dls-jersey.co.uk
If you have requested a tie but have not yet received it, please also contact Mr McCarthy to specify which size you would prefer.



E-safety

For the latest news regarding e-safety please go to the news section on the homepage of our website

Whole School Notices continued....

School fees and standing orders

A decision has been made by the Finance Committee to allow parents to pay by standing order.

If any parent is currently paying through School Fee Plan and wishes to move to standing order, they would need to pay the 1 December 2017 payment to them in order to clear the autumn 2017 fees.

Once that has been done, you can cancel your agreement with them and cancel your direct debit with your bank.

In the mean-time, please contact Andrew Videgrain, the College bursar by e-mailing him at a.videgrain@dls-jersey.co.uk to arrange your standing order with him or if you have any questions.

In most cases the amount is £1,935 a term, so the spring and summer 2018 fees come to £3,870 in total. This would mean that the amount payable would be £645 x 6 from 1 January to 1 June 2018.

In respect of the 2018-19 school fees, the following two options are available:

12 months at £483.75 based on current fees from 1 July 2018; or

10 months at £580.50 based on current fees from 1 September 2018.

The best recommendation would be to pay the £645 x 6 from January to June 2018 and then commence for 12 months annually from July 2018.

The standing order information for your bank is:

Account name: De La Salle College

Sort code: 402534

Account number: 72211009

Ref: (son's surname and DOB in six digit format) (If a twin, then add their initial)

No invoices will be sent out to anyone electing to pay by standing order or through School Fee Plan. These are available on request.

Parents can still continue to pay fees in full each term or annually and invoices will be sent out as normal, either by post or by e-mail. If you have changed your e-mail address, please advise accordingly.

Parking on site

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 - even for 5 minutes

This may, and has, caused major disruption

Whole School Notices continued....

Sitting Right With You



Sitting Right With You is a campaign designed to encourage everyone in Jersey to speak up about domestic abuse. It has been developed by the States of Jersey Police and partner agencies to raise awareness of the different types of domestic abuse and to inform victims, their friends and family about the support available in Jersey. The campaign uses a yellow sofa in its imagery and asks the question 'Does that sit right with you?' It encourages you to think about what makes a healthy relationship using messages such as:

'he checks my phone all the time',
'she has control over my bank accounts', and
'I can go out with friends when he says it's ok'

Volunteers will be at M&S, King Street from Monday 27 November to Friday 1 December from 11am to 3pm to give you information about the services available in Jersey.

The campaign coincides with the International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women on Saturday 25 November.

About domestic abuse

Domestic abuse is a crime in which the abuser seeks power and control over their victim and can affect women, men and children. When you think of abuse, you may imagine a kick or a punch, but often it's more complicated than that. Violence, control, intimidation and isolation are all types of abuse. Domestic abuse affects hundreds of people every year across the Channel Islands and States of Jersey Police responded to nearly 1,000 domestic violence incidents in 2016. It can affect anybody, regardless of gender, age, race, sexuality or social background. It's not acceptable in any circumstance.

Help and advice

The Jersey Domestic Abuse Support team provide independent advice to help victims of domestic abuse access a variety of services in Jersey to stay safe.

You can call them on [+44 \(0\) 1534 880505](tel:+441534880505).

If you're in immediate danger, call emergency services by dialling 999.

Follow the campaign on Twitter using [#SittingRightWithYou](https://twitter.com/SittingRightWithYou) or visit the [States of Jersey Police Facebook page](#) for regular updates on how to stay safe in Jersey.

Whole School Notices continued....

De La Salle anniversary Christmas tree decoration

De La Salle has been asked to decorate a tree for the St Peter's Church Christmas Tree Celebration this December to commemorate the school's 100th Anniversary. Please find a flyer with full information attached.

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. If leaving a message please let us know what is wrong with your son, please do not simply state 'sick' or 'unwell'.

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.

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

Primary Notices

Key dates for you to be aware of:

- **Wednesday 29th November: Decorations Morning.** We invite you to come to school and join the boys making Christmas decorations. You should have received a letter with further details; a copy is attached.
- **Thursday 30th November: Christmas Movie Night 5.00 – 7.00pm.** An opportunity for you to leave the boys with us and indulge in a little late-night Christmas shopping whilst they enjoy a film, a snack and a drink. The PTA will send out a flier for this event early next week.

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Primary Notices (continued...)

- **Thursday 7th December: PTA Christmas Fayre in the Sports Hall.** The boys will be visiting the Fayre during the afternoon. Playground parking will be opened slightly earlier so you can visit the Fayre or join your son from 2.15pm onwards. The Fayre will stay open after school if you wish to visit once you have collected your son. *(All donations for the Christmas Fayre are much appreciated – please see separate communications from the PTA. We especially need pre-loved toys, puzzles, board-games etc for the very popular Toy Stall).*
- **Tuesday 12 December: Centenary Christmas Carol Concert (Years 3,4,5,6) at St Mary's and St Peter's Church from 6.30pm**
- **Wednesday 13 December: Infant Nativity (Pre-Reception, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2) in the Sports Hall at 2.15pm.** Playground parking will be available to parents.
- **Friday 15 December: Term finishes at 12.00**

Children In Need

Our Primary School boys raised in excess of £1050 this year. Thank you to all the boys and their families who supported this event.

Secondary School Notices

Rhodes House Charity week in aid of 'Tackle Africa'

Monday 27TH November – Friday 1st December

Rhodes House Charity week begins on Monday in aid of Tackle Africa, a charity that uses the popularity of football to deliver key messages on sexual health education and prevention of HIV. This virus is the biggest killer of young adolescents across the continent.

During the 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 Football Challenges organised by year 7, a Dodge Ball tournament organised by year 8, Guess the Teacher arranged by year 9, a Guess the Number of Sweets in the Jar Competition organised by Year 10 and the Year 11 boys will be organising a Wet the Teacher event. The 6th Form will also be contributing by arranging a Cake Sale during break and lunchtime on the Friday. As well as this, boys from each year group in Rhodes will hopefully, weather permitting, put on another Car Wash on the Saturday 9th December between 9:00am and 12:30pm at school.

Friday 1 December will be a **non-uniform day**

Please encourage your son to take part in the events and donate money to a worthwhile cause and if any parent would like to bake a cake for the Cake Sale on the Friday, please email Mr. McCormack, the Head of Rhodes House at d.mccormack@dls-mail.co.uk. Also, could I please encourage you to bring your car down to school on the morning of Saturday 9th December to be cleaned... I'm sure you won't be disappointed!

Secondary School Notices (continued...)



Little Sisters of the Poor Christmas Concert, Wednesday 13th December

The time is fast approaching for De La Salle's annual Christmas concert for the residents of the Little Sisters of the Poor which has been held for over fifty years.

Preparations are well underway and we are now accepting donations of gifts from any families who wish to contribute towards the Christmas gifts we provide for the residents. Please see the attached letter.

Year 8 boys have each been assigned a resident for whom they will make a personal gift bag, with the resident being presented with the gifts at the end of the concert. Please see the attached letter.

The College and Little Sisters of the Poor would like to thank you in advance for your help and generosity in helping to maintain this fabulous tradition once again this year.

Website

Please check our website each week, particularly the calendar to keep up to date with College events. If you are not a member you should register as this will give you access to a lot more information.

Year 11 Music Students

Music GCSE support sessions with Mr. Wood on Mondays, Wednesday and Friday. 1.00pm-1.30pm

Music GCSE support sessions with Mr. Pallot Tuesday and Thursday 3.30pm-4.30pm

Year 13

Deadline for Post 18 Applications: Thursday 30 November

De La Salle PE Department

Y7 – Y8 Please make sure your son brings a gum shield to their games lessons

Clubs and Activities in School

Monday 27th November

Rhodes Charities Football Challenge Competition – Games Hall – Lunch time

Rhodes Charities Dodgeball competition – Sports Hall – Lunch time

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

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

Tuesday 28th November

Rhodes Charities Football Challenge Competition – Games Hall – Lunch time

Rhodes Charities Dodgeball competition – Sports Hall – Lunch time

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

Wednesday 29th November

Rhodes Charities Football Challenge Competition – Games Hall – Lunch time

Rhodes Charities Dodgeball competition – Sports Hall – Lunch time

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

Year 7 C&D Football – Games Hall - 15:45 – 16:45

All years Badminton club - Cancelled due to Y7 Parents Evening

Thursday 30th November

Rhodes Charities Football Challenge Competition – Games Hall – Lunch time

Rhodes Charities Dodgeball competition – Sports Hall – Lunch time

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

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

Friday 1st December

Rhodes Charities Wet the Teacher – Games Hall – Lunch time

Rhodes Charities Dodgeball competition – Sports Hall – Lunch time

Year 9-11 Basketball – Sports Hall – Lunch times

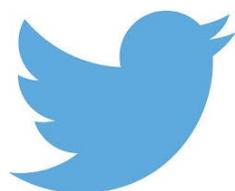
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Fixtures

<u>Wednesday</u>	29 th Nov	7	5-a-side	tournament			15:45	Langford (pick up @ 17:55)
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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