



# Parent Briefing – w/c: 17/12/2018



## **News from The Catholic Church in Jersey**

### **YOUTH MINISTRY PROGRAMME**

**Contact Georganne 07797787090.**

JaCy Night - Fridays 7pm - 10pm - Year 7+ are welcome to join us for fun, friendship and faith. Food available. We are currently preparing the Junior SVP Giving Tree Project – can you help us?

‘Together on Tuesdays’ - at. 6.30pm - 8.30pm in St Thomas’ Youth Upper Room – This coming week explore your faith with ‘Taize Prayer’ – for Year 7+ at 6.30pm - 8.30pm in the Youth Upper Room.

Hot dogs and pizza available. £2 for snacks.

### **FAMILY NATIVITY & BAMBINELLI BLESSING**

Takes place on Saturday 15 December at 2pm in St Matthieu’s Church. Children are invited to come dressed as shepherds, sheep or angels. You are also invited to bring your Jesus figure from your nativity scene at home to be blessed.

### **ADVENT PENITENTIAL SERVICE**

Tuesday 18 December at St Mary & St Peter at 7pm. Priests from across the island will be available for confession. Why go? Why not! Where else can you receive the Lord’s pardon and peace so easily available?

### **YOUTH ST VINCENT DE PAUL GIVING TREES**

The annual appeal for shopping vouchers for use by the St Vincent De Paul Society has now begun. Please take a star from the trees in our churches. Please return your vouchers to the churches or to Catholic Pastoral Services. This year we would like the vouchers ideally by 16 December to be able to distribute before Christmas. These vouchers continue to be used throughout the year to support the many people who come to the foodbank which opens twice a week next to St Thomas’ Church. Thank you.

## Chaplaincy News

Please join us in the following prayer during next week, when our theme will be focused on the forthcoming celebration of Christmas.

### Prayer for the week

**Heavenly Father**, grant that looking forward in faith to the feast of our Lord's birth, we may feel all the happiness that Jesus brings and celebrate his coming with unfailing joy. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen

You can use the following links to help prepare for Mass on Sunday 16th December 2018 – The Third Sunday of Advent

[http://www.wednesdayword.org.uk/downloads/parish\\_docs/559-C-Advent-3-2018.pdf](http://www.wednesdayword.org.uk/downloads/parish_docs/559-C-Advent-3-2018.pdf)

<https://stpaulcenter.com/studies-tools/sunday-bible-reflections/>

## Whole School Notices

### End of term

Wednesday 19 December is the last day of school. Primary boys finish at 11.50 and secondary boys finish at 12 noon. Please note that there will be no school buses at time of school closure.

### School fees

School fees for Spring 2019 have now been sent out. If you have not received, please either phone Andrew Videgrain on 754115 or e-mail him at [a.videgrain@dls-jersey.co.uk](mailto:a.videgrain@dls-jersey.co.uk)

If you pay by standing order or school fee plan, this won't apply to you.

### College Canteen "New Date"

**Monday 17th December** the school cafeteria will be serving a Christmas lunch for Primary and Secondary.

### Calendar

Please note that there is now a facility to download and print a copy of the school calendar (both Secondary and Primary) . The calendar is found on the homepage of the College website, marked under 'calendar'.

Please be aware it is very important to check this calendar regularly to avoid disappointment.

# Whole School Notices continued...

## Temporary Contact Details

If your son will be temporarily living at a different address to the one held on file it is important to let the College know and to also advise of new temporary contact details. We need to be able to get hold of a relevant adult should we need to, for example if your son becomes unwell at school.

Please contact **[absence@dls-jersey.co.uk](mailto:absence@dls-jersey.co.uk)** to advise us of any temporary arrangements.

## 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](mailto:l.fosse@dls-jersey.co.uk)**.

## Updating Pupil Information

It is very important that any information held on file for your son is current so please ensure that you inform us of any changes e.g. to contact details, home address, medical information etc. Please email **[k.smyth@dls-jersey.co.uk](mailto:k.smyth@dls-jersey.co.uk)** to make us aware of any changes.

## Pupil Absence

In the event of your child being unwell please contact the college via email, **[absence@dls-jersey.co.uk](mailto: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 you 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.

## College Website

Please check the College website regularly, particularly the calendar section for upcoming events and for the latest news regarding e-safety. The e-safety section is found in the news section on the homepage and is updated on a daily basis.

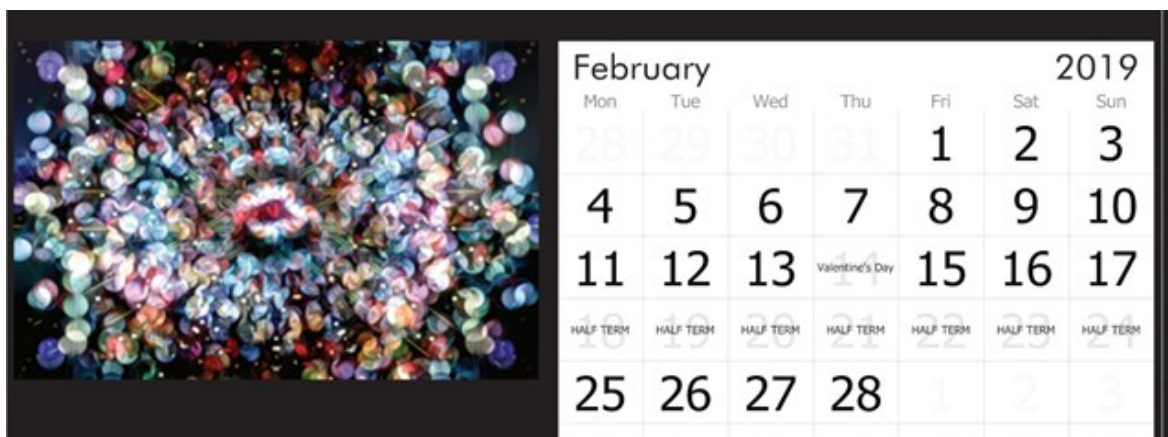
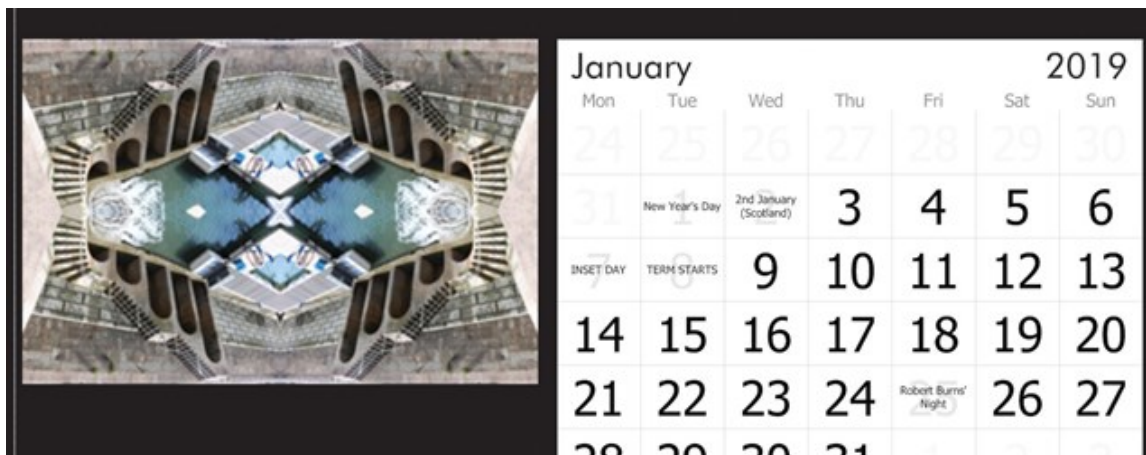
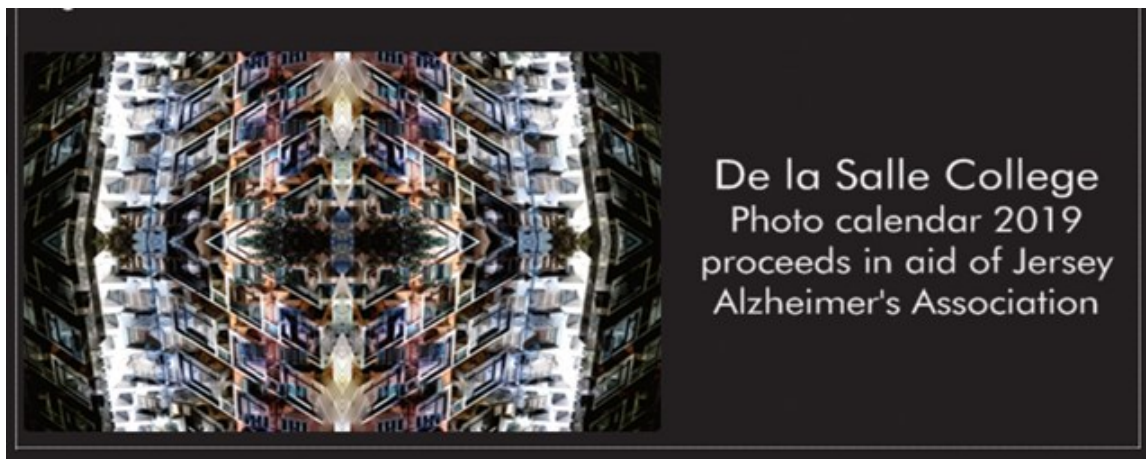
# Whole School Notices continued

Dear Parent,

## Christmas Stocking Filler Idea

With all De la Salle College term dates included! Photo calendars are available for £5. As per the example below. All proceeds in aid of Jersey Alzheimer's Association, Stanley House Charity. Order from

Mrs Washington at [c.washington@dls-jersey.co.uk](mailto:c.washington@dls-jersey.co.uk)



## Primary Notices

**General Knowledge Quiz** Tuesday 18th December 2.30pm – 3.00pm Years 3–6.

**Reminder:** school finishes at Midday on Wednesday 19 December. Playground parking open from 1130. Boys will be dismissed from their usual places at 1150. Please note that there will be no school buses at time of school closure.

## Secondary Notices

**Reminder:** school finishes at Midday on Wednesday 19 December. Boys will be dismissed from at 12:00. Please note that there will be no school buses at time of school closure.

## Christmas Jumper Day for Save the Children—19th December

On the last day of term we will be supporting **Save the Children** by taking part in Christmas Jumper Day. We are looking forward to seeing Secondary students and staff in their Christmas finery!



## Year 11 Drama

Best of luck to all the Year 11 drama boys who are performing their devised practicals on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December. After all their hard work and extra rehearsing, they deserve to do well.



# Secondary Notices Continued...

## House General Knowledge Quiz

Please be advised that on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December we will be holding our inaugural House General Knowledge Quiz to ascertain who is the brainiest House!

Representatives in each year group from 7 -13, will working together in their Houses, answering pre prepared questions from subjects such as French, History, Geography, RE as well as other general knowledge questions.

This event will start at 1pm. Therefore in order to allow those not participating to support their House we will be stopping lessons at 12:30pm. Boys at that time can then have their lunch, including any pre ordered Christmas Meals, prior to the event starting.

We hope this event will be an exciting climax to this Term's House competitions. May the best House win!

## GCSE Art drop-in support sessions

GCSE Art drop-in support sessions will be held on **Monday, Tuesday** after school **3.30-4.30pm** for any help.

**Art Club** is also on **Thursdays after school. 3.30-4.30pm.** All years welcome.

## Maths Club

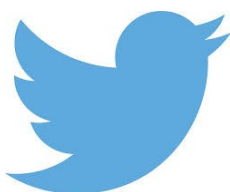
Please refer to the attached revised maths club days & times .

## Year 11 Maths Revision Guides

Please refer to the attached Revision Guides.

## PE Department

No PE notices for week commencing 17th December



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

**@DeLaSalleJersey**

For College sports updates:

**@DLSjsyPE**