



THE JOHN FISHER SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers,

This week has seen a number of events take place which have helped enrich our school community further. Our Year 11 cohort started their pre-public examinations (PPEs), which they have done with focus and maturity. This will be the final formal set of PPE's for Year 11 students, before they sit their GCSEs in the summer term. Please keep these students in your prayers as they move into the second week of PPEs.

Thank you to all those who contributed to last week's Mufti day. The total raised was **£1,610.50**.

This week we welcomed representatives from two of the supported charities who received a donation from the school. Both Hong Kong Aid and The Diamond Riding Centre were incredibly grateful for the support from John Fisher and met with students to discuss the work they undertake for the local community.

We welcomed another John Fisher alumni on site this week to

talk to students interested in studying Law. Michael Openshaw (Alumni, 1983) provided a very interesting snapshot into his career to date and the choices he has made along the way. After the talk, he was given a tour of the school commenting on how well behaved the students were. This was the first time he had been back to the school in nearly 40 years.



This week was also the culmination of over a term's hard work by Year 9, as we hosted the First Give



Finals in the Chapel. First Give works to support charities across the UK by inspiring young people to make a positive change in society. Each Form group had a team in the final, presenting their chosen charity and the work they had done with them to date. We welcomed the Mayor of Sutton, Trish Fivey as one of our judges. 9C were the eventual victors, winning £1,000 for their charity - The Cranstoun Inspire Initiative. You can find out more about this charity here:

<https://cranstoun.org/>



This contribution takes the total raised for charity as a school so far this year, to just under £6,000.

Thank you to all the students, Form tutors and Mr. Souici (Co-ordinator of RSHE) for all their hard work in this year's First Give competition.

Some important notices for you:

The Purley Panel

All students, parents/carers are invited to a workshop at Christ Church Purley this Saturday 4 February, 2.00pm-4.30pm. Purley Panel are looking for feedback and engagement from the local and wider community regarding designs such as street furniture, which will be provided from funds raised by the Purley Panel. More information is on the attached flyer.

Racial Justice Sunday 2023

All are invited to the Racial Justice Sunday Mass at St. Georges Cathedral, which will take place at 10.00am on Sunday 5 February 2023 and will be celebrated by Archbishop John Wilson. This year the theme for Racial Justice Sunday is: *"All are included in the mission of Christ and His Church, let us walk together, pray together and work together."*

The John Fisher School Anti-Racism Policy

You will have already received some communication from Ms Mozammel, Equality and Diversity Lead, inviting parents/carers to join the consultation process with regards to the school's Anti-Racism policy. If you would like to be part of this process, please email Ms Mozammel to register your interest at f.mozammel@johnfisherschool.org by Friday 10 February. Some potential meeting dates can then be arranged so that discussions can begin.

National Apprenticeship Week: W/b Monday 6 February

You are encouraged to have a discussion at home about apprenticeships which are an increasingly popular pathway as an alternative to University. Here is a helpful link for parents/carers: <https://www.theparentsguideto.co.uk/nationalapprenticeshipweek>

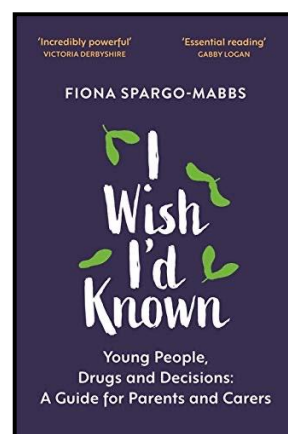
Here is another useful link to the Government Apprenticeship website which lists vacancies by postcode: <https://www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship>

'I Wish I'd Known' – A Free Online Workshop for Parents/Carers from The Daniel Spargo-Mabbs Foundation

On Tuesday 7 February at 7pm, all parents/carers are invited to attend an online talk led by Asha Fowells and Jacqueline Greenlees.

The workshop will involve finding out:

- About the exposure young people have to drugs and alcohol – what, where, when and how
- What young people, and their parents/carers, need to know about the risks of drugs and alcohol



- What factors affect the decisions young people make about drugs and alcohol, including teenage brain development
- How to have effective conversations with your children, and practical suggestions for what you can do to support them to stay safe
- Where to go for more information and support.

To sign up for your FREE place please click here:

https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_4p5UN3JjRPGzOlvgBEev_A

Safer Internet Day, 7 February 2023

On Tuesday 7 February we will be joining schools and youth organisations across the UK in celebrating Safer Internet Day 2023. Safer Internet Day is a global campaign to promote the safe and responsible use of technology, which calls on children and young people, parents, carers, teachers, social workers, law enforcement, companies, policymakers and more, to help to create a better internet. Using the internet safely and positively is a key message that we promote in school and celebrating Safer Internet Day is a great opportunity for us to re-emphasise the online safety messages we deliver throughout the year. We would be delighted if you could join us in celebrating the day by continuing the conversation at home. To help you with this, the UK Safer Internet Centre have created some free activities and information for parents and carers which are available at:

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/safer-internet-day-2023/parents-and-carers>.

Whether you have 5 minutes to start a conversation or hours to spare, there are top tips, quizzes and films which you can use at home with your child. If you have any concerns or questions about keeping your child safe online, please do get in touch with your child's class teacher, Mrs Davis (Subject Leader of Computing) or Mr Mawer (Designated Safeguarding Lead).

Final Flu Community Walk-in Clinic

The final community walk-in catch up clinic for children (Reception to Year 9 only) who have missed the nasal flu vaccine at school, will take place during the half term break on Tuesday 14 February from 10.00am to 12.00pm, at Minor Hall, Trinity Church, Cheam Road, Sutton, SM1 1DZ.

- This is a walk-in clinic for children in Sutton & Merton schools from Reception to Year 9.
- No appointments are necessary.
- Parents/carers can consent on the day.

Hewitts 160th Birthday Discount

During the half term break, Hewitts of Croydon, are celebrating their 160th birthday and will be offering a 10% discount on any items purchased online and/or in-store. You can find out more on the flyer attached.

JFA Event: Celebrate St. Patrick's Day and the Six Nations Finale 2023

On Saturday 18 March, the JFA are holding an event at Plough Lane Pavilion to celebrate St. Patrick's Day and the finale of the Six Nations Rugby Championship. There will be food available, a bar and all the day's Six Nations matches shown on the two new 85 inch screens which were kindly donated recently.

Tickets are available on ParentPay now:

Adults: £6 (includes first drink) Children: Free

More information can be found on the attached flyer.



Alex Dombrandt (England vs Scotland)

We wish Alex Dombrandt good luck as he has been selected by England to start against Scotland in this weekend's opening match of the Six Nations Rugby Championship.

Some key dates for your diary

Tuesday 7 February:	Yr 9 Drugs Workshop by The Daniel Spargo-Mabbs Foundation.
Tuesday 7 February:	'I Wish I'd Known' Drugs & Decisions Online Workshop for Parents/Carers from The Daniel Spargo-Mabbs Foundation, 7.00pm.
Tuesday 7 February:	Safer Internet Day
Thursday 9 February:	Yr 9 Careers Talk (Main Hall)
W/b Monday 13 February:	Half Term break
Thursday 2 March:	Industrial Strike Action by the National Education Union (NEU): Day 2
Thursday 23 February:	Yr 7 Parent Teacher Meeting, 4.30pm-7.30pm (SDL Building)
Thursday 23 March	Yr 12 Parent Teacher Meeting, 4.30pm-7.30pm (SDL Building)

Final Prayer: This week we celebrated the fest day of St. Brigid.

'Brigid: You were a woman of peace.

You brought harmony where there was conflict.

You brought light to the darkness. You brought hope to the downcast.

May the mantle of your peace cover those who are troubled and anxious,

and may peace be firmly rooted in our hearts and in our world.

Inspire us to act justly and to reverence all God has made.

Brigid you were a voice for the wounded and the weary.

Strengthen what is weak within us. Calm us into a quietness that heals and listens.

May we grow each day into greater wholeness in mind, body and spirit.'

Amen

Yours sincerely,



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John Fisher Sport



The JFA invite you to...



Celebrate St. Patricks Day & The 6 Nations Finale 2023

Saturday March 18 @ Plough Lane
12pm-8.30pm

All 3
games on
the new
85" big
screens

SCO		SAT 18 MAR 12:30	ITA
FRA		SAT 18 MAR 14:45	WAL
IRE		SAT 18 MAR 17:00	ENG

Bar
serving
cocktails,
guest
beers and
Guinness

Tickets
Adults: £6
(inc 1st drink)
Children: FREE



ParentPay
COUNT ON US

Raffle

Irish music

Food served



Help us design Purley's High Street

Take part in our free fun interactive design workshop to help shape your high street and make it more fun for upcoming spring and summer activities



**4th February
2-4.30 pm
Chistchurch Purley**

Free to attend, Food and drinks provided.
Bring your children and your artistic and design talent.

PLEASE RSVP - hello@urbansymbiotics.com

Upcoming Events For Secondary Parents 2022/23 Supporting your teenager's mental health webinars

**22ND,
26TH OR
27TH
SEPT**

Mental Health during the teenage years -
an introduction and overview
For year 7 & year 8 parents

**9TH,
10TH OR
15TH
NOV**

Supporting your teen through emotional
storms - emotion regulation skills and
strategies
For all secondary school parents

**26TH,
30TH OR
1ST
JAN/FEB**

Understanding and supporting anxiety
during the teenage years
For all secondary parents

**13TH,
16TH OR
17TH
MAR**

Supporting and managing exam and
assignment stress: top tips and ideas for
parents
For all secondary parents - year 11 and 13 focus

**4TH,
9TH OR
11TH
MAY**

Understanding and supporting teen sleep:
an overview of the research and
recommendations
For all secondary parents

We also provide free 1:1 support programmes for parents to support with their
child's anxiety or behavioural challenges. Speak to your school to find out more

Scan QR code with your phone's camera to sign up for free via eventbrite or
search:

www.eventbrite.com/cc/secondary-parents-nhs-wellbeing-workshops-725989





Hounslow and Richmond
Community Healthcare
NHS Trust

Did your child miss their nasal flu vaccination?

If so, we are having our **final community walk in clinic**
that you can bring your child to

Reception to year 9 only

-No Appointment
-Consent on the day

Tuesday 14TH February'23

10:00am-12:00pm

Minor Hall

Trinity Church

Cheam road, Sutton SM1 1DZ

!!Please note there may be a waiting time!!

<http://www.nhs.uk/child-flu>

For any queries, please email:

HRCH.immunisationteammertonmailbox@nhs.net or

HRCH.immunisationteamsuttonmailbox@nhs.net

Celebrating 160 YEARS of Hewitts of Croydon

THE SMARTER CHOICE SINCE 1863

In February 2023, Hewitts of Croydon turns 160! We have seen a lot of changes in the last 160 years, but one thing has remained the same. The quality and level of service we provide for our loyal customers, we wouldn't have survived the last 160 years without all of you!

At our heart we are a family run business and we consider all our customers our family, so who else would we want to share our 160th birthday with?

To celebrate we are hosting a huge discount event during February Half Term (Feb 13th-18th 2023), with 10% off EVERYTHING!!!

ONLINE & IN-STORE

Not only that, but every customer who places an online order will be entered into a prize draw to Win a £160 Hewitts Voucher, with 10 Chances to Win! That's right, we are giving away £1600 in vouchers! Don't worry if you want to shop in store, if you leave a Google review you will also be entered into our prize draw.

Hewitts would like to thank everyone for their support over the years, and we hope to be around for many more years...

Terms & Conditions apply:

- If you place an online order and leave a Google review, your name will be entered twice. But you can only win once.
- Only reviews left on Google are valid entries. Reviews left anywhere else do not count, and will not be entered into the prize draw.
- Only Google reviews left between February 13th-18th 2023 will be entered into the £160 voucher prize draw, any reviews left outside of this time frame are still eligible for our regular monthly prize draw for a £50 Hewitts voucher.
- Anyone found to be falsifying personal information will NOT be awarded the voucher, this includes using a fake name to try and win more than once.
- There will be 10 winners, all winning £160 Hewitts voucher each. The winners will be announced by the End of February on social media. If a review winner, the review will be responded to; and online winners will be contacted directly.
- No code is needed, it will automatically be applied at checkout in-store & online.
- The voucher can be issued as a website or in store voucher (one is virtual, the other physical). But it can only be one or the other, and is non transférable.
- Online orders that are fully cancelled and refunded will not be entered into the prize draw, the order must stand for it to be a valid entry.
- Both the discount event and the Google reviews competition are only open 00:01 Monday 13th February 2023 - 00:00 Saturday 18th February 2023.
- This offer cannot be used in conjunction with any other offer, for example staff discount would replace it not make it 20% off.