

# THE JOHN FISHER SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Some important messages for you:

This week has seen the return of some of our more traditional events, which have not been able to take place for over 2 years. This week is a welcome reminder of the wonderful opportunities we are able to offer the students at The John Fisher School through the dedication and commitment of our staff, parents/carers and parent association.

#### **Year 13 Celebration Mass**

On Monday, our chapel was full as we welcomed students, parents/carers and staff to our Year 13 Leavers Mass. It was a poignant moment for all as the students reflected on their 7 year journey through John Fisher, with readings, choral music and a final sermon from Fr G. Bradley to finish off the evening. We look forward to celebrating the successes of the Year 13 students on results day (18<sup>th</sup> August).



#### **World Music Day**

This week has been a busy one for the music department as they celebrated 'World Music Day' on Tuesday. A range of activities were put on for students including the staff 'Masked Singer' competition, musical quiz in RSHE and live music at lunchtime. Thank you to all the student musicians and staff members for their contributions on the day.





#### **Summer Concert**

After a two-year hiatus, the summer concert came back with a bang! Over 100 students enjoyed the opportunity to perform to a live crowd in the Main Hall, with the orchestra, choirs, boom whackers and guitar club all featuring. The student band, 'Void', got the audience going with some well-known rock covers, which Mrs. Mellor particularly enjoyed. Every student and parent/carer should be very proud, as we witnessed the output of God-given talent, mixed with



commitment, hard work and enthusiasm. Thank you to all the staff and parents/carers who made the evening possible.

## **New Year 7 Welcome Evening**

We welcomed our new Year 7 parents/carers to The John Fisher School this week. This 'welcome' event has not been possible for the previous two cohorts due to Covid-19 restrictions. The parents/carers heard from the pastoral team, the school choir and met their sons' Form tutors.



## Year 6 Induction Day – Wednesday 6th July

Next Wednesday we will be hosting the Year 6 students who will be joining The John Fisher School in the next academic year. We are very excited about meeting them.

#### **Speed Careers**

Our annual Speed Careers event takes place on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> July. Year 9 and 12 will have the opportunity to hear from a range of external visitors who will discuss career choices. We welcome any parents/carers who are able to give up the afternoon (12.45-3.30pm) to come and join us. If you or any friend/family are available, please email Mr. Palmer (Careers Lead) on <a href="mailto:r.palmer@johnfisherschool.org">r.palmer@johnfisherschool.org</a>

## Mufti Day: Friday 1st July

Thank you to those who have contributed to the mufti day fundraiser.

The total currently stands at: £770.50

ParentPay will remain open until midday on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> July for those who have yet to donate.

#### **Sporting Success this week**

Alumni Kieran Treadwell has been selected for the Ireland rugby union squad for this weekend's first test against New Zealand. We wish him the best of luck.

#### **Year 11 and 13 Uniform Donations**

We ask that any Year 11 or 13 parents/carers who would like to donate any of their son's washed school uniform, drop this to main reception in a bag. We would particularly welcome school blazers, jumpers, trousers and ties.

## JFA Family Fun Day at Plough Lane: Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 12.00pm-8.00pm

Thank you to those who have bought tickets for tomorrow's event. They will be available on the gate for £3/person. Under 5's are free. We hope to see as many 'Fisher Families' as possible supporting this event, as the JFA help to bring our wider school community together for some family fun. Please see the attached flyer for more information.

## Some other key dates for your diary

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July: Yr 10 GCSE trip to Nice
Monday 4<sup>th</sup> July: Yr 9 & 10 vaccinations

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> July: Yr 9 & 10 Celebration Evening

• Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> July: Yr 8 PTM 4.00pm-7.30pm in the Sports Hall

• Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> July: Sutton Catholic Schools Concert at St. Elphege's Church.

• Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July: Staff INSET Day (No school for students)

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> July: Yr 12 Enrichment week starts

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> July: Art Exhibition at Jemca, Lexus Croydon (Note change in location)

• Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> July: Yr 9 & Yr12 Speed Careers Event

• Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> July: Yr 7 & Yr 8 Celebration Evening 4.00pm-7.30pm in the Sports Hall

• Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> July: Yr 9 PTM 4.00pm-7.30pm in the Sports Hall

• Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July: Enrichment Day

• Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July: Sports Afternoon

• Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July: Final Epilogue 4.00pm in the Chapel

• Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July: End of term

#### **Final Prayer**

'Father, to Thee I raise my whole being, a vessel emptied of self. Accept Lord, this my emptiness, and so fill me with Thyself, Thy Light, Thy Love, Thy Life, that these precious gifts may radiate through me and over-flow the chalice of my heart into the hearts of all with whom I come in contact this day. Reveal unto them the beauty of Thy Joy and Wholeness and the Serenity of Thy Peace which nothing can destroy.'

#### Amen.

Yours sincerely,

P E McCullagh

Headteacher