



# THE JOHN FISHER SCHOOL

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Purley  
Surrey  
CR8 3YP

16 June 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you are enjoying the ongoing sunshine and warm temperatures. Of course, this beautiful weather brings with it some potential risks. Please can I ask you to remind your son(s) that he needs to bring plenty of water to school. We are in the process of installing some new water fountains around the site, but whilst this takes place, students should make sure they bring enough with them. They are also encouraged to wear sunscreen and reduce their layers, to and from school.

## Geography Field Trip

This week, our Year 12 Geographers have been undertaking field work on the shoreline of Swanage. Along with Mrs. Butcher and Miss. Bevan-Searing, the students have been measuring shoreline erosion and the impacts of climate change on our coastal regions. In sweltering heat, the students have been working incredibly hard and have enjoyed the occasional ice cream as a reward along the way.



## Workshops

Students in Years 9 and 10 were invited to two workshops this week, led by two staff members. The "Storytelling Techniques for Engaging Presentations" workshop led by Mr. Duncan received an overwhelming response, with students actively participating and gaining invaluable tips to captivate audiences. Similarly, Mr. Stanton's "Problem-solving Skills" workshop equipped students with effective strategies and tools, fostering collaboration and critical thinking.



## Borough Sports: Champions!

We were delighted to be announced the overall winners in this week's Sutton Borough Athletics Competition across Years 7-10. This is a very competitive event against other schools in the borough in both track and field events. Well done to all the students and staff involved, the results were as follows:

**Year 7: 1<sup>st</sup>**

**Year 8: 1<sup>st</sup>**

**Year 9: 1<sup>st</sup>**

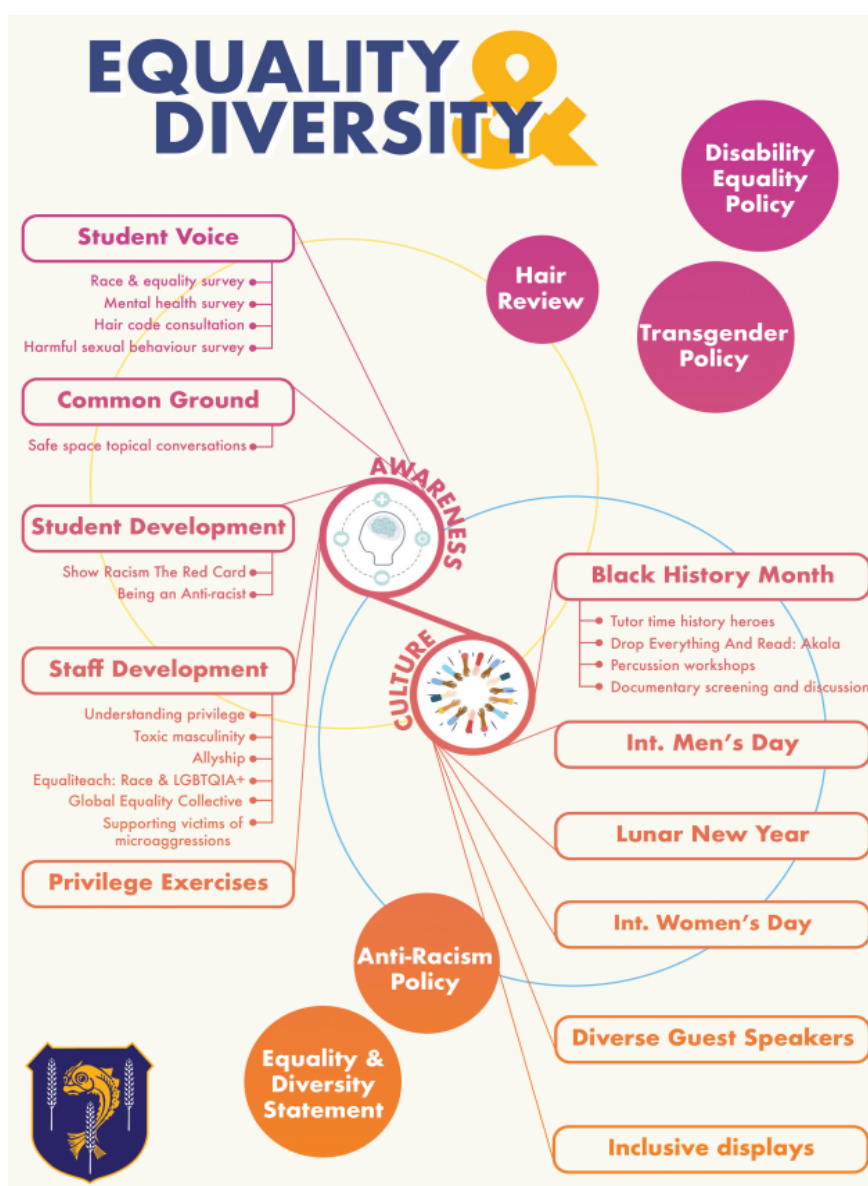
**Year 10: 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**Overall: 1<sup>st</sup>**



## Mental Health and Wellbeing

As part of our ongoing work with the South-East Mental Health and Wellbeing School Cluster, The John Fisher School took part in an Anti-Racism Student Voice Survey in November 2022. The results were analysed and an action plan devised to act on the feedback received. The graphic below summarises some of the work the school has undertaken since this to improve further the awareness and culture of racism for students and staff. Thank you to the staff who have worked closely with the students to implement this work.



### ***Some key information for you:***

#### **Year 9 and Year 12 Examinations**

Year 9 and Year 12 students will sit internal examinations in the week beginning Monday 26 June. The parents/carers of students in these year groups will be contacted separately with examination timetables which can also be downloaded from the school website.

Parents of Year 9 students are asked to take particular note of the fact that their sons will be in school for a Mathematics examination on Friday 30 June, when the school is closed to all other students for INSET day.

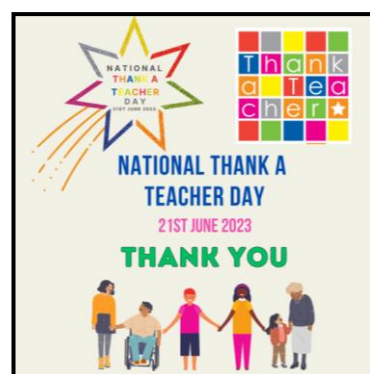
#### **Items needed for Enrichment Week's Crime Scene Activity**

The Science department are running a Crime Scene activity during enrichment week and are asking for donations from staff/parents/carers of some specific items to help us with this. If you are happy to donate any of the following items, please give them to your son to bring in and hand to his Science teacher by 30 June if possible.

- Make up: blusher brushes and gold/silver eye shadow
- Ink pads
- Shoe(s) with good tread e.g. work boots or trainers (the older the better as the soles have more wear, but please no muddy ones)
- Car wash sponge(s) – these can be old or new
- Rolls of wallpaper/paper
- Plaster of Paris

#### **National Thank a Teacher Day, Wednesday 21 June**

On Wednesday 21 June, The John Fisher School joins the nation in celebrating the incredible work that our teachers and support staff do every day. Rather than simply 'Thank a Teacher' we enjoy 'Thank a Staff Member Day' giving recognition to everyone in our community. You can join in by sending a virtual thank you card using the following link: <https://thankateacher.co.uk>



#### **Founders Day, Thursday 22 June**

On Thursday 22 June, we will be celebrating our Founders Day.

Year 7 students will be participating in an onsite retreat programme centred around the theme; 'One Body, One World.' In the afternoon, Year 7 will take part in a fun run to raise money for CAFOD. Year 8 and 9 students will be in school as normal, but will enjoy Founders day themed activities during Form time and their wider lessons. Year 10 students will be in as normal but will be dismissed at 1.35pm. They will be set a range of activities to take part in off-site linked to the Founders Day theme.

#### **Mufti Day, Friday 23 June**

On Friday 23 June, we will hold our final mufti of the year. The charities being supported are:

- Anthony Nolan Foundation <https://www.anthonynolan.org/>
- Therapy Dogs Nationwide <https://tdn.org.uk/>
- Wood Land Trust (trees) <https://www.worldlandtrust.org/>

Students and staff are asked to donate £2 (£1 for Year 7 who will be in Games kit) via ParentPay.

#### **Fisher Family Fun Day, Saturday 1 July**

Please do join the JFA (Parent Association) as they raise money for the school through the Fisher Family Fun Day on Saturday 1 July, 12pm - 8pm at Plough Lane. There will be live music, a 7-a-side cricket competition and plenty of food and drink available to purchase. All of the money raised will be going to support the school's ongoing investment in I.T. You will also be able to see the progress that has been made in the refurbishment of the pavilion. Please see the flyer attached for more information, tickets can be purchased via ParentPay.

### Speed Careers Event, Thursday 13 July

Thank you to those parents/carers who have already been in contact to volunteer to speak to small groups of students during our annual Speed Careers event which will be taking place on Thursday 13 July, 12.45pm - 3.30pm. We invite any parents/carers who would like to come and share information about their career with small groups of Year 9 and 12 students to contact Mr. Palmer (Careers Lead) via email: [r.palmer@johnfisherschool.org](mailto:r.palmer@johnfisherschool.org)

### Some key dates for the remaining half term for your diary:

<b>Tuesday 20 June</b>	JFA Meeting, 7.30pm (Plough Lane)
<b>Wednesday 21 June</b>	Thank a Staff Member Day
<b>Thursday 22 June</b>	Founders Day
<b>Friday 23 June</b>	Mufti Day
<b>W/b Monday 26 June</b>	Yr. 9 & Yr. 12 Examinations begin
<b>Tuesday 27 June</b>	Yr. 9 & Yr. 10 Awards Evening – invitation only, 5.30pm (Main Hall)
<b>Wednesday 28 June</b>	Leavers' Mass: Yr. 11, Yr. 13 and Headteacher, 7.00pm (Chapel)
<b>Friday 30 June</b>	INSET Day (school closed for students*) <i>*Yr9 students will be on site for their Maths exam 9.00 -10.00am</i>
<b>Saturday 1 July</b>	Fisher Family Fun Day (JFA Event), 12.00pm (Plough Lane)
<b>Monday 3 July</b>	Drama Production: Animal Farm, 5.00pm (Main Hall)
<b>Tuesday 4 July</b>	Drama Production: Animal Farm, 5.00pm (Main Hall)
<b>Wednesday 5 July</b>	Yr. 8 Immunisations (1 <sup>st</sup> HPV) and Yr.9 Catch ups (2 <sup>nd</sup> HPV)
<b>Thursday 6 July</b>	Summer Concert, 7.00pm (Main Hall)
<b>Friday 7 July</b>	Sports Gala Dinner, 7.00pm (Surrey National Golf Club)
<b>Tuesday 18 July</b>	Yr. 7 & Yr. 8 Awards Evening – invitation only, 5.30pm (Main Hall)
<b>Thursday 20 July</b>	Final Epilogue, 4.00pm (Chapel)
<b>Friday 21 July</b>	End of Term: from 12.30pm

### Final Prayer: Today is the Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart

*'O most holy Heart of Jesus, fountain of every blessing,  
I adore you, I love you and will a lively sorrow for my sins.  
I offer you this poor heart of mine.  
Make me humble, patient, pure, and wholly obedient to your will.  
Grant, good Jesus, that I may live in you and for you.  
Protect me in the midst of danger; comfort me in my afflictions;  
give me health of body, assistance in my temporal needs,  
your blessings on all that I do, and the grace of a holy death.  
Within your heart I place my every care.  
In every need let me come to you with humble trust saying,  
Heart of Jesus, help me.'*

**Amen.**

Yours sincerely,



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THE JFA  
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**SATURDAY 1ST JULY**

# FISHER FAMILY FUN DAY



**7-A SIDE CRICKET COMPETITION**

ACTIVITIES INCLUDE:

**BEER FESTIVAL & LIVE MUSIC**

**BBQ, BAR, CRICKET,  
ICE CREAM, AFTERNOON TEA,  
ART EXHIBITION.**

**12 PM-  
8 PM**

**£2 PER TICKET VIA PARENT  
PAY, £3 ON THE GATE,  
UNDER 5'S FREE!**

**Plough Lane Playing Fields**

Plough Lane, Purley, CR8 3QJ

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# PURLEY HIGH STREET FETE

**SATURDAY, 24th JUNE**  
**12 - 4PM**

**LIVE MUSIC**  
**FREE FACE PAINTING**  
**ARTS & CRAFTS STALLS**  
**FOOD STALLS**  
**ELSA FROM FROZEN**  
**AND MORE....**

Brought to you by the Purley Panel and the Mayor  
of London's 'High Streets For All Challenge.'

Come and celebrate our new High Street  
community space and laneway artwork.



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