THE JOHN FISHER SCHOOL



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Dear Parents/Carers,

Sincere thanks to all of you who have been issuing messages following the funeral of Joseph (Joe) Lunn yesterday. I hope Joe's parents took some comfort from the service at school. Joe was a talented young man who excelled at The John Fisher School for 7 years before losing a two-year battle against a rare form of cancer on his 19th birthday. Photographs from the service have been attached to the end of this letter.

Mufti Day on Friday 30th April

Year 7 - £1 Years 8 to 13 - £2 Please make your payments via Parent Pay

The funds raised will be split between two charities:

• Standing Tall with Georgia - <u>https://gofund.me/d905d802</u>

One of our school families, the Plummers, have asked if we can support this local family. The story (attached) is incredibly moving and we hope to give a large donation towards the £24,000 they are trying to raise.

• Rays of Sunshine charity- <u>https://raysofsunshine.org.uk/</u>

Joe Lunn raised money for this wonderful charity, who helped and supported his family throughout his battle with cancer.

Home Test Kits

Unfortunately, our delivery of home test kits only arrived today, but we have managed to get these distributed to our lower school students before the end of the day. The kits they will be bringing home today contain 7 tests and we ask that students continue to test twice weekly.

From this weekend, parents/carers should start to receive reminder emails on Sundays and Wednesday. The email will contain a link to register all test results and we strongly encourage you to do this in line with guidance from Public Health England.

'I Wish I'd Known'

A number of parents/carers who attended one of the recent information evenings will be aware of Fiona Spargo-Mabbs who has now produced a book for parents about young people and drugs. '*I Wish I'd Known'* will be on sale from Thursday 27th May and interweaves the story of one family's terrible loss with calm, measured and practical advice for parents and carers. The book has been described as *"incredibly powerful"* by Victoria Derbyshire, *"essential reading"* by Gabby Logan, and Prof Dame Carol Black, author of the influential government-commissioned independent review of drugs, wrote, *"any parent or carer will be better informed and wiser after reading it"*.

Some dates for your diary

- Year 8 Parents/Carers A reminder that Parent Teacher Meetings will take place via 'Zoom' on Thursday, 29th April from 4:30-7:30 PM.
- Year 9 Parents/Carers Parent Teacher Meetings are scheduled to take place via 'Zoom' on Thursday 20th May from 4:30-7:30 PM.
- John Fisher School Association (JFA) Meeting for parents/carers Wednesday 26th May at 8pm.
- INSET Day Friday 28th May
- Enrichment Day Monday 7th June

A prayer to finish on St. George's Day:

'St. George,

Heroic Catholic soldier and defender of your Faith, you dared to criticize a tyrannical Emperor and were subjected to horrible torture. You could have occupied a high military position but you preferred to die for your Lord. Obtain for us the great grace of heroic Christian courage that should mark soldiers of Christ. **Amen'**

Yours sincerely,

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