



THE JOHN FISHER SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Some important messages for you:

Message from Ms C Ford, Chair of Governors, on behalf of the Governing Board:

The Governing Board is pleased to welcome new members to the team of experienced Foundation Governors. Many have ties to the school that they treasure and hold dear. Our new members recognise the dedication, care and relationship that the staff, parents, carers and children feel towards our school. We have a unified objective to move forwards and concentrate on the wellbeing, education and support of the entire school community. The John Fisher School is a faithful, inclusive and diverse community who we are proud to govern. Our shared objectives are to enter a period of healing, to talk honestly and to value each other's beliefs, backgrounds and families. Together we can become an even stronger 'Fisher family'. We want to reassure you that we have started the process of restoring stability to governance to support the senior leaders and the team of staff to build further on the school's strong provision for its young people.

Mufti Day – Thank you

Many thanks to our students, parents/carers and staff for raising £2,121 on Friday 18th March, which is a fantastic achievement. This amount will be split between Cafod's DEC Ukraine Humanitarian Appeal, the CSIE Charity (Centre for Studies on Inclusive Education) and the 100k John Fisher Fundraiser.

<https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/thejohnfisherschool>

We will continue to carry out our excellent charitable work at The John Fisher School as part of our concern for others. In his Lent message, Pope Francis said:

'Let us not grow tired of doing good in active charity towards our neighbours... Let us put into practice our call to do good to all and take time to love the poor and needy, those abandoned and rejected, those discriminated against and marginalized.'

Student Uniform Expectations

Please find attached a letter outlining some important information on the school's expectations for student uniform. I hope this is useful in clarifying what is acceptable to wear to school.

Roslyn Park HSBC National 7's Tournament

Congratulations to the Under-14 and Senior teams who took part in the National 7'S tournament this week. The seniors were the only state school in the cup and performed brilliantly in a group containing two of the leading independent schools in the country. The Under-14s came second in their group, narrowly missing out to Kings School. Well done to all the students and staff involved!

Year 11 Parents/Carers Information Evening

Thank you to the parents/carers who attended this week's Information Evening run by Mr. Cotton and Mr. Dawkins. As we move towards the final term, preparation for the summer exam series is vital if the students are to achieve their God-given potential. We hope the session was useful in helping you and your sons prepare.

Please be advised that the Year 13 Information Evening will take place on Monday, 28th March at 6pm.

Services of Penance

Years 7-10: These will be taking place on Monday and Tuesday morning and will be led by Fr Gerard Bradley.

Years 11-13: We would ask that students attend Confession in their own parish.

End of Term

Please note that term will end next week for students on **Thursday 31st March** at the end of the normal school day.

Looking ahead after Easter:

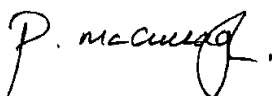
- Students and staff return on Tuesday 19th April, normal time.
- Year 11 and 13 year group photographs on Wednesday 20th April.

Final Prayer

'Lord, we pray for the people of Ukraine at this time. Protect the innocent and vulnerable. Give wisdom to global leaders. Humble the proud. Lord, we long and pray for peace.'

Amen.

Yours sincerely,



P E McCullagh
Headteacher