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## From the Headteacher

Dear Parent/Carer,

As you know, I am retiring at the end of this term. I have been at St Anne's for thirteen years, eight years of these as Head.

I would like to express my sincere thanks for the support you have given me throughout my time here and for choosing to send your daughters to this school! It has been a great privilege to lead such an amazing school and I will miss working with such a great group of staff and students.

I wish the school and all of our students continuing success and happiness.

I hope you have a happy and holy Christmas. With all good wishes for the New Year.

God bless you and your families.

**Siobhan Gilling, Headteacher**



## A Farewell to Mrs Gilling from the Governing Body

Unfortunately, we have to come to the end of another era at St. Anne's as we say goodbye to our wonderful Headteacher. Mrs Gilling has led our school magnificently since 2011 but she has now decided to take a well-earned rest. She is looking forward to spending more time with her family and being able to travel to places far and wide. All members of the Governing Body extend their grateful thanks to her and wish her well for the future.

**Mr John Donnelly, Chair of Governors**

## Mrs Gilling's Retirement



On Friday 13th December, the staff gathered together for a special Mass at Our Lady of Mount Carmel and St. George to give thanks for the years Mrs. Gilling has been our Headteacher. The Mass was celebrated by Bishop John Sherrington and concelebrated by Fr. Witon, Fr. Chinedu and visiting clergy. The music was provided by our students: our Mass Choir, the Gospel Choir and a solo rendition of *O Holy Night* from Tamera McIntosh, a past student. At the end of the Mass, Bishop John gave Mrs Gilling a special blessing and also blessed a commemorative plaque which is displayed in school. From the Church, we went over to the Lower Site hall to continue our celebration with Mrs Gilling, her family and guests. There was a performance of Irish traditional music from some of our students, a video with memories of Mrs Gilling, speeches, music and dancing. It was a wonderful night!

We would like to thank Mrs Gilling for everything she has done for us, the students and the school. She has been an inspiring leader and although we are sad to see her go, we wish her every happiness for her retirement.

**St. Anne's Staff**



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### **An Extract from the Speech given by Mrs Turner, former Head of Sixth Form**

“Siobhan Gilling’s leadership style is collaborative: she always aims to bring out the best in people, develop them as individuals and instil confidence in them. She has created a family atmosphere in the school; she is caring and available to students, staff and parents - prioritising the needs of the individual. She is a true professional, always leading by example; a great advisor and mentor, never content with second best and always striving for perfection. She is generous with her time and support for the many charities and fundraising events held in school. She is a strong, effective leader who motivates, inspires and aspires for her staff and students to be the very best in all they achieve. She is a risk taker, prepared to try out new ideas and innovations and has the faith in her staff to enable them to risk take also and be successful in their careers. She is very well respected throughout the school, the borough, and the diocese - a respect which is earned and well deserved. But, most importantly, she has always had the determination to ensure that all the staff and students she works with so effectively have every opportunity to fulfil their maximum potential successfully. Adopting a servant style of leadership, Siobhan has demonstrated the essence of Catholic education in her relationships with others, motivating, supporting and leading by example. Not only is she respected, she is loved and has put her heart and soul into this school.”



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# The Catholic Life of the School

## Time for Tea!

On Sunday 6th October 2019, we were delighted to host our first tea party of this academic year and it was lovely to see so many familiar faces who joined us for the afternoon.

As our tea parties are now so popular, we have a newly appointed Sixth Form Community Outreach Team who are helping the staff to organise the event. Our Year 10 hosts were fantastic – they worked hard throughout the day, baked and bought delicious cakes as well as donating raffle prizes. They greatly enjoyed chatting to, and serving our guests and are already looking forward to the next tea party!



### Year 7 Welcome Mass

On Thursday 10th October we celebrated our Year 7 Welcome Mass at the church of Our Lady of Mount Carmel and St. George in Enfield, celebrated by Fr. Chinedu. It was a lovely opportunity to welcome our Year 7 students and celebrate with their families, marking this important transition in their lives and asking God to bless them at the start of their secondary education.

Our new Head of Music, Miss Green, taught the girls *Lord Reign in Me* as a special performance for their parents and carers which was beautiful. We were very proud of our new Year 7 students, for their enthusiastic and beautiful singing, for the readers and altar servers



**Our Year 12 Sixth Form Community Outreach Team:  
Nusrat Tarafder, Winona Lokando, Melika Sahamipour**

**Tea Party Dates**  
for the rest of this academic year!

Sunday 9th February 2020  
Sunday 3rd May 2020



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## Carol Service 2019

## The Catholic Life of the School

On 5th December, we held our annual Christmas Carol Service at Our Lady of Mount Carmel and Saint George's Church, Enfield. It was a lovely evening, made very special by all the staff and students who contributed to it.

Thank you to the staff who volunteered to make our traditional Christmas window sill decorations: Ms Anderson, Ms Baptiste, Mr Cummings, Ms Dee, Ms Donaghy, Mr Fraser, Mr Graham, Mrs Hunt, Ms Martins, Ms Stracey and Ms Wells and a special thank you to Miss Geraci for her hard work co-ordinating this. The decorations were beautiful and added to the Christmas atmosphere in the church.

As well as traditional congregational carols, Ms Green and Mr Lall prepared beautiful choir and small group performances, and our Gospel choir led by Marsha and Vaughan gave joyful renditions of Christmas songs.



Thank you also to Ms Pozzuto, and Mrs Worrall and members of FOSA who helped on the evening. A huge 'thank you' to all the students involved: the choirs, the soloists, the instrumentalists, readers and helpers. They made us all very proud.

We would also like to take this opportunity to thank Fr. Witon, Fr. Chinedu and the parish staff of Our Lady of Mount Carmel and St. George who have given us so much support over this term.

## Celebrating the 25th Anniversary of St Anne's

On 17th September 2019, we celebrated the 25th Anniversary of St. Anne's, which was founded in September 1994 from the amalgamation of the two former schools, The Holy Family Convent School and St. Angela's RC School. Bishop John Sherrington, auxiliary Bishop of Westminster, celebrated Mass for us to commemorate this special event.



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Advent is marked by a spirit of expectation, anticipation and preparation. The spirit of Advent is expressed in numerous ways by our students, especially by helping the poor and needy. Our students made Christmas hampers and distributed them to families and children who might not otherwise receive a Christmas present.

## Sacrament of Reconciliation



Each year group gets an opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Year 8 and Year 9 received theirs during our Advent services.

The rest of the year groups will receive the Sacrament during Lent.

## Retreats



St Anne's strong Catholic ethos permeates through all aspects of our school. Students have many opportunities to take part in the Catholic life of the school through Masses, liturgies, Reconciliation services and retreats. They also have the opportunity to serve as Eucharistic Ministers.



Every student in Year 7 and Year 8 has had or will have a day of retreat. The students fully participate in the programme and enjoy the day. Each Form spends the whole day with the School Chaplain and their Form Tutors in 'The Revival Church', Enfield. Through the retreats, students have the time and space away from their daily routine to consider important issues connected with their lives, Faith, the world and local communities.

# #RedWednesday

We supported the *Red Wednesday* campaign again this year on Wednesday 27th November in solidarity with people who are persecuted for their Faith. Most churches and government institutions were lit in red.

This was our opportunity to support this great campaign. Students wore red ribbons or accessories in their hair as a symbol of Faith and Freedom.

**Mr Ravi, School Chaplain**



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# Safeguarding

## Safety on Your Journey to and from School

As the days are getting shorter and it is often darker on your way to and from school, it is a good time to remind ourselves of precautions we can take and who to ask for help should we need it.

### Precautions

More crimes are committed against teenagers than any other age group, but here are some things you can do to keep safe on the streets:

- ➔ Stay alert, and keep personal music players turned off, so you can hear what's going on around you
- ➔ Travel in pairs or small groups where possible
- ➔ Stick to busy, well-lit roads and avoid short cuts through alleyways
- ➔ When travelling by bus, try to use bus stops on busy roads
- ➔ If someone tries to take something from you, do not fight
- ➔ Keep mobile phones and other valuables out of sight; put your phone on silent / vibrate
- ➔ Do not carry weapons because they are more likely to be used against you, and it's illegal
- ➔ If you think someone is following you, cross the road or go to a place with lots of people around, like a bus stop or shop

### Help

- ➔ Speak to someone if you are being bullied or feel you might be in danger, such as a police officer
- ➔ Go for help in a shop or business which displays the CHiPS Community Help Point sign; members of staff will have received training to know how to help you
- ➔ You could speak to a Love Your Doorstep Community Patrol volunteer

Love Your Doorstep Community Patrol Initiative is a community-led project with Love Your Doorstep, our local policing team, Enfield Boys Grammar School, The Enfield Town Retailers Association and Metro Bank.

It is a positive project bringing crime rates down and helping kids feel safer! The aim is to help keep the children safe on their journeys to and from school, at lunchtimes and after school.



Patrol groups are managed by volunteers and provide advice, guidance and support in consultation with the local police and other services.

You will recognise them easily as they wear high visibility yellow vests. You can find out more about this project on their Facebook page. <https://www.facebook.com/communitypatrolLYDS/>

**Mrs Danneau-Joyce,**  
Assistant Headteacher Safeguarding



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# DON'T BE FOOLED



**METROPOLITAN  
POLICE**

Dear Parent/Carer,

Young people across the UK are being recruited by organised criminal gangs as 'money mules.' This is an issue that affects young people from all areas and backgrounds. We want to warn all parents and carers of this concerning trend and provide information on how to help protect the children in your care.

We need your help to warn young people about the dangers and consequences of becoming a money mule.

## What is a Money Mule?

A money mule is someone who receives and/or transfers money which has been obtained through crime. This often involves transferring money through their bank account on behalf of someone else and in many cases the account holder is paid for doing so. Criminals need money mules to launder the profits of their crimes.

Young people are increasingly being targeted then recruited to become money mules. They are approached online or in person, including through social media, at school, college or sports clubs. Sometimes people they know persuade them to take part, often because they themselves are acting as money mules.

Mules may be unaware of exactly where the money comes from – commonly fraud and scams – and that it can go on to fund crimes such as drug dealing and human trafficking.

## Being a Money Mule is illegal

Participating as a mule with even the suspicion that the funds received are the proceeds of crime may leave the young person liable to prosecution for criminal offences under the Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 (Money Laundering). It could also have a significant impact on their future prospects including their ability to open a bank account, apply for credit, (e.g. a student loan) or gain employment in certain roles or industries.

## What to look out for

Tell-tale signs that someone might be involved include transactions on their bank statements they cannot explain, evidence of additional bank accounts opened in their name or a variation of their name, the sudden possession of extra cash or buying expensive new items such as clothes or mobile phones with little explanation as to how they got the money. They may also become more secretive, withdrawn or appear stressed.

You and your child can learn more and get advice by visiting [www.moneymules.co.uk](http://www.moneymules.co.uk) or [www.met.police.uk/littlemedia](http://www.met.police.uk/littlemedia) together.

**Please do not attempt to contact any individual you suspect of organising money muling.**

If you are worried that someone close to you might be caught up in money muling, you can contact the police online, dial 101 or speak to your Safer Schools Officer. You can also report your concerns anonymously via Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111 or [www.fearless.org](http://www.fearless.org) online.

**Kirsty Goldsmith (Detective Chief Inspector)  
Cyber Crime Unit | Central Specialist Crime,  
Metropolitan Police**

**Don't become  
a Money Mule.**

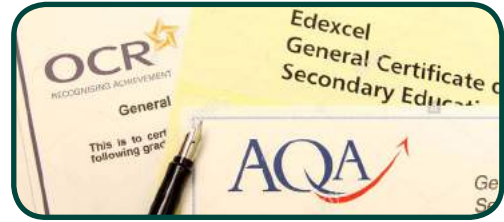


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## EXAMS: Message for all students sitting Summer 2020 exams

The Joint Council for Qualifications (JCQ - the organisation which governs exams) has advised that if any exam(s) are postponed for whatever reason, the exam(s) will be re-arranged to take place on or before Wednesday 24th June 2020. The JCQ strongly advises all families **NOT** to arrange any holidays until after this date. Were your daughter to be unable to sit an examination, should it be necessary, then she would not gain that qualification.



**The Exam Certificates for Summer 2019 are now available for collection.** The Exams Office is open every day during term time from 9 to 4 for collections, except Monday 6th January 2020. **Mrs Hunt, Exams Officer**

## Facilities for Hire

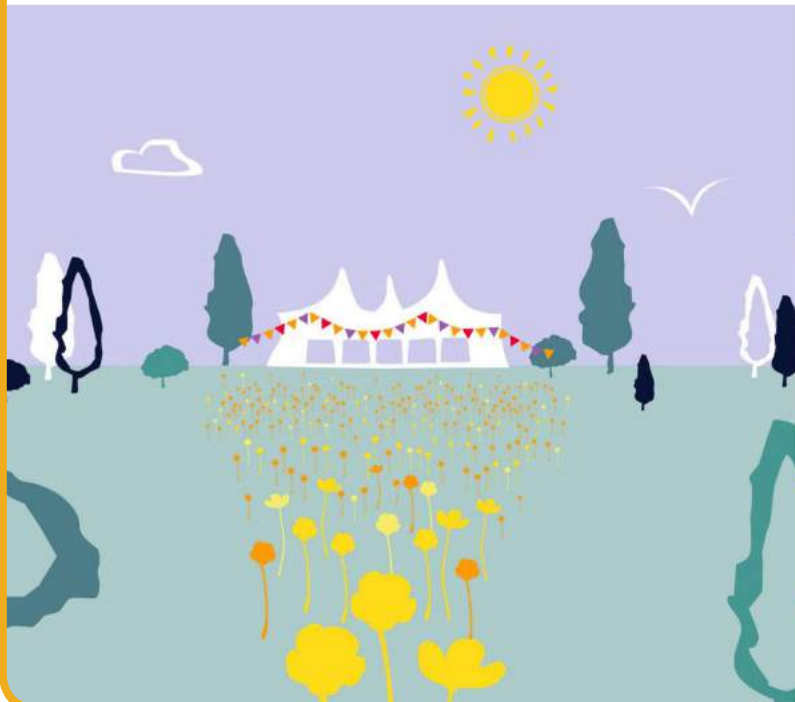


St. Anne's facilities are available for hire to individuals and community and commercial groups. We have the ideal venues for your first communion, engagement, wedding or special birthday celebration. We offer:

- Halls of different sizes with kitchen availability
- Classrooms
- Hard play / netball and tennis courts
- Gyms
- Playing field at Palmers Green with changing facilities.

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**Mr Goldbart, School Business Manager**



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## Prize Giving Evening 2019



*Governors and Guests at the Prize Giving Evening*

On Thursday 17th October 2019 we held our annual Prize Giving Evening which celebrates the effort, attainment and outstanding contributions students have made to the life of the school through each Key Stage. We are also very proud of the exceptional singers and musicians we have in our school. Our Gospel Choir gave a fabulous performance on the evening.

As this was Mrs Gilling's last Prize Giving she was invited to be our Guest Speaker and she gave a truly inspiring speech. She spoke about her childhood, her days at University and about her determination to succeed in life, telling the students that anything is possible if they work hard enough and that nothing should stand in their way. She encouraged them to apply to the top Universities, like Oxford and Cambridge, if that is what they wanted. I am sure her words will stay with the students throughout their life.

Our Chair of Governors, Mr John Donnelly, then spoke about the many achievements and successes which have occurred in school over the last twelve months. He explained that sometimes it is difficult to keep track of the range of charitable and celebratory events that occur so frequently in school and how seriously committed our students are to so many worthy causes. It was clear to see that our guests and parents were very impressed with how busy, happy and successful our school community really is.

The Prize Winners in each Key Stage were invited onto the stage to receive their prize and certificates. Awards were also given to the outgoing Fairtrade Team and the outgoing Head Girl Team. It was lovely to see parents, students and staff socialising in the hall at the end of what was a memorable evening. Our thanks are extended to Mrs Pausey, Mrs Pozzuto and Mrs Worrall for all their help with arranging and organising the certificates, prizes, seating plan, programme and refreshments for the evening.

**Mr Foster, Assistant Headteacher, Director of KS4**



*Mrs Gilling presents the prizes*



*Head Girls old and new with Mrs Gilling: Vanesa Valcheva and Rhian Keady*

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## School Fund Target for 2019-2020: £60,000

Current Total: £12,000



Governors really need your voluntary contributions to help us to pay the bills for heating, drainage and playground work. The Government only gives us 90% (nine-tenths) funding for this.

A big 'thank you' to all families who have paid in full or part. The suggested minimum contribution is £96 per family (not per student) per year. We would be grateful if you could please pay as much as you can as soon as you can. You can pay by instalments if this is easier for you:

- ➔ ParentPay (online or via Smartphone)
- ➔ Credit/Debit Card. Please phone the Finance Office on 020 8920 5228
- ➔ Bankers' standing order form. Please phone or email [finance@st-annes.enfield.sch.uk](mailto:finance@st-annes.enfield.sch.uk) to request a form
- ➔ Cash

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Thank you.

Mr Goldbart, School Business Manager



### ParentPay - Are you having problems getting online?



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Mr Goldbart, School Business Manager



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## Mobile Phones at St Anne's



Students are not permitted to use a mobile phone during school hours or whilst they are on school premises – either inside the school building or in any outside area on school grounds. They must not be using their mobile phones as they approach the school entrance and all mobile phones should be switched off as soon as students arrive at the school gate and before entering the school grounds.

Mobile phones must be turned off and kept in the zip pocket of a student's blazer. Students must always take responsibility for their own possessions which includes not leaving their blazers unattended. The school does not have time and will not spend time looking for lost phones.

**If a student is found to be using a mobile phone at any time it will be confiscated immediately and will only be returned once a parent has come into school to collect it.**

Students will receive a Senior Management Detention on a first offence but will receive a Fixed Term Exclusion from school if they are found to be using it again.

There may be times, however, when a teacher might allow students to use their phones for educational purposes. This is the only time when phones can be turned on and used in school.

## Carol Singing at Azalea Court

On Monday 9th December, seventeen girls from Year 9 went with Mrs Lacey and Mrs Mackenzie to Azalea Court to see the residents and sing carols. This is an annual event that we have been involved in for at least 5 years. The staff and residents really look forward to seeing the girls, their singing was as usual amazing.

On our way out of the building one of the activity workers said they had noticed a difference in some of the residents who have dementia - they seemed more alert. That was lovely to hear and fantastic news.



# Medicines in School

To avoid confusion and inconvenience in the event that your child needs to take or use medicine at school at some time during the year, please be aware of the school's medication policy. This applies to prescribed medicines such as antibiotics, and over-the-counter purchases, such as some pain relief.

Many schools have policies which forbid any non-prescribed medicine on site; however, we recognise that there are times when students would benefit from over-the-counter medicine and you might as parents/carers wish for your daughter to take some. This could be for strong headaches or period pains, for instance. For this system to work it is essential that you communicate with us.

Students should not have medicines in their bags/clothes/lockers etc. as this is in breach of our policy. If they are found with medicines in school, sanctions can be applied. This policy is important to protect our students as they are not adults and should not have unsupervised access to medicines.



Please follow the steps below if you would like your daughter to take medicine in school.

1. **Students will not have medicines in their possession at school** (exceptions: asthma inhalers and epi-pen): therefore, all medications must be handed into the respective Student Office upon the student's arrival at school. We will store it/them.
  - ➔ Lower site - Key Stage 3 students - hand to Mrs Franklin
  - ➔ Upper site - Key Stage 4 students - hand to Mrs Foley
  - ➔ Upper site - Key Stage 5 students - have to Mrs Cowley
2. **All medications must be in the original container with the original labels attached.** (Over the counter label to include indications, dosage and warnings/contraindications)
  - ➔ whether prescription eg: antibiotics, medication for long term medical conditions or
  - ➔ over-the-counter eg: paracetamol for headache or period pains
3. **Important Points:**
  1. The school and its employees do not buy / supply medicines for the students; the family must supply them for the school to administer them.
  2. Students cannot supply or administer medicines to each other.
  3. The family is responsible for supplying suitable, non-expired medication for their daughter.
  4. Our Student Office will administer medication and document its administration.
4. **Medicines must be sent by the parent/carer with either our 'Request for School to Administer Medicine' form (\*) fully filled in or with a letter to authorise administration of the medicine.** This must state:
  - i. Full name student and form.
  - ii. Name of the medication.
  - iii. Amount to be given.
  - iv. Date and time to be given.
  - v. Name of parent or guardian, signature, date and best contact number.

All medications are included: pills, liquids, creams, sprays, cough drops, ointments, etc.

(\*) <http://www.st-annes.enfield.sch.uk/perch/resources/supporting-students-with-medical-conditions-policy.pdf>

If you have any questions, please contact Ms E Danneau-Joyce.



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# The St. Anne's Gospel Choir

As always, St. Anne's Gospel Choir have had a busy start to the academic year and have welcomed lots of new members. Read on for some of our highlights!

## Enfield Choir Showcase

On Saturday 28th September we performed at the Enfield Choir Showcase Concert to raise funds for The Nightingale Cancer Support Centre. This was organized by Sophia Hutchinson, Director of Vocally Sound Music. There were ten local choirs on the night and we performed *Witness* and *Total Praise*. There was also a group performance of *Joyful Joyful*, which had everyone up on their feet. It was a fantastic evening and we were pleased to be able to have supported and helped to raise just over £1500.



## #WearItPinkWithMary

For the second year in a row, we attended Mary Huckle's Pink Friday Event on Friday 18th October 2019 in Bush Hill Park to raise funds for Breast Cancer Now. Mary is a former parent of St. Anne's and we wanted to go along and help raise much needed funds. Our Year 8 & 9 Gospel Choir Students along with some of our Sixth Formers brought joy and some tears to all of those present. It was a beautiful afternoon and the rain did not stop us from having a good time. Thank you for inviting us Mary and we love you lots. 😊



## Royal Festival of Remembrance - Saturday 9 November 2019

Having been spotted at our first performance at the Royal Albert Hall in May with the Kingdom Choir, we were delighted to receive an invitation from the BBC and Royal British Legion to perform at the Albert Hall again, this time for The Royal British Legion's Festival of Remembrance. We were so excited when we found out that we were going to be performing in front of her Majesty the Queen and that it would also be aired on BBC One.

Thirty-two students from the Gospel Choir represented St. Anne's. The girls worked extremely hard to prepare for the performance and sang the beautiful arrangement by our conductor Marsha Morrison of The Lord's Prayer. Followed by 'oohs' in tune to a favourite Gospel Choir song *Let Me Wait* whilst Military Chaplains read the Bidding Prayers. The girls also learnt a number of hymns for the occasion which included *Praise My Soul, Eternal Father* and *Morning Has Broken* and they sang these along with the Bach Choir and the Orchestra.



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'Chelsea Pensioners' from The Royal Hospital Chelsea. Students has conversation with the Queen's Guards, Jeff Goldblum, Daniel Mays and Cel Spellman, to name but a few. Everyone we met spoke so highly of the girls and praised them for their beautiful sound.

The event had two performances, and following the afternoon performance the Gospel Choir shared a special moment with Leona Lewis. She had seen the girls during rehearsal and had asked her BBC runner to get in touch with us as she wanted to meet them all. We quickly went about arranging this and met back on the stage, keeping it a surprise for the students. Leona then arrived and told the girls how much she loved them and how good they sounded. It was a terrific moment and one that we will all cherish forever.



Thanks to everyone for their support and kind words. On our return, we were inundated with messages, emails and tweets. We were mentioned in the *The Telegraph's* review of the event on Sunday 10th November 2019 as **'the real musical highlight'**! We also received lovely letters of congratulations from Cardinal Vincent Nichols and Gary Ryan of the Royal British Legion (see following pages). We were extremely proud to have been asked to take part and are pleased to have represented our school community and Enfield.

### **Enfield U3A - University of the Third Age Christmas Party**

On Monday 9th December we performed at the Enfield U3A Christmas Party at St. Paul's Centre in Enfield Town. The U3A is part of a worldwide self-help organisation which has at present over 1,040 groups spread around the country, comprising over 425,000 members in Great Britain alone. Enfield U3A has more than 450 members and on this day 200+ plus members were present. The Gospel Choir entertained the group for an hour, singing some of our all-time favourites as well as Christmas Carols. It was a lovely afternoon and a great way to give back to the local community. A big thank you to Gaynor from U3A for inviting us.



Other performances this term have included Prize Giving 2019, our annual Carol Service and Mrs Gilling's Retirement Mass. We are sure to busy next term and look forward to spreading God's Good News. Thank you.

**Merry Christmas to all of our Choir Members, Students, Staff and Families**  
With love from Miss Geraci, Marsha Morrison (Conductor) and Vaughan Larmond (Pianist)



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Maria-Christina Geraci  
Choir Coordinator  
St Anne's Catholic High School for Girls  
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Dear Maria-Christina

I write to thank you for the contribution of the St Anne's Catholic High School for Girls Gospel Choir to this year's Festival of Remembrance at the Royal Albert Hall.

The Festival is a key fixture in The Royal British Legion's calendar of Remembrance. As has been the case since it began in 1926, the success of the Festival is dependent upon those who so kindly give their time to take part. We were delighted that the choir were able to participate this year.

The girl's enthusiasm was infectious and their performance was impeccable. I hope that they enjoyed the experience. Please pass my thanks on to all members of the choir.

Yours sincerely

Gary Ryan  
Director of Remembrance and Marketing  
The Royal British Legion

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12 November 2019

Dear Ms Gilling

Having only just had an opportunity to watch a recording of the Festival of Remembrance, I was delighted to see the performance of St Anne's Choir.

So, I write now to offer my warmest congratulations and, in particular, for the beautiful rendition of the "Our Father".

Please do share these words with the girls and indeed with the musical director. I am sure that you must be very proud!

With every good wish,

Yours sincerely

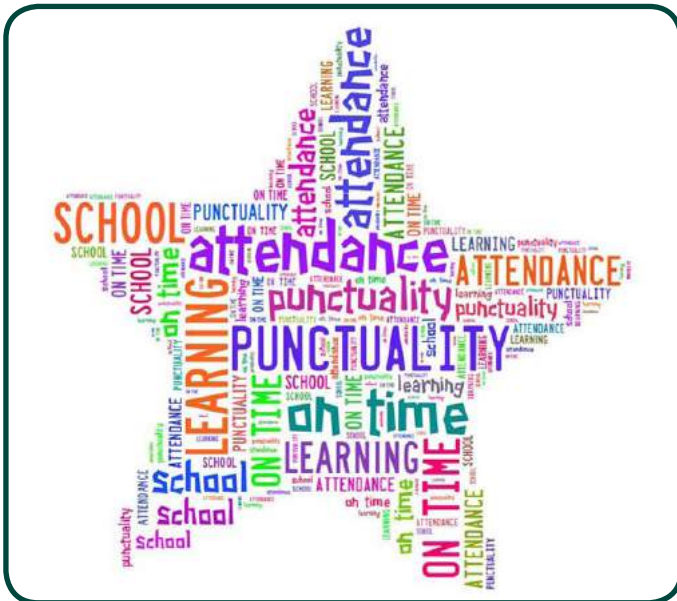
+ Vincent Nichols

✠ Cardinal Vincent Nichols  
Archbishop of Westminster



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# Why Attendance and Punctuality Matter



If students are to achieve their potential, good attendance and punctuality are critical. The link between attendance and achievement is well documented.

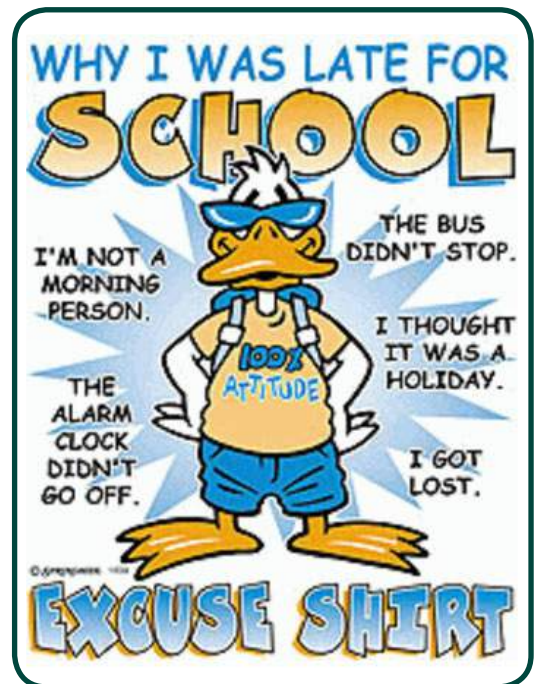
At St Anne's we want all of our students to achieve the very best examination results that they can and poor attendance will have a significant impact on student achievement.

## Students with irregular attendance:

- ➔ Get behind with their work;
- ➔ Lose the thread of the topics being taught;
- ➔ Become demotivated on their return to school;
- ➔ Lose friendships;
- ➔ Miss out on important career and guidance input;
- ➔ Miss out on extra-curricular opportunities;
- ➔ Are less likely to feel part of the school.

90% attendance is equivalent to one day of absence every fortnight. Over an academic year this amounts to four weeks of absence (100 lessons missed!).

**Mrs Sanders, Deputy Headteacher**



Punctuality is a life skill that everyone needs to learn. However, some Key Stage 3 girls at St Anne's have taken this to a new level! Here are some genuine explanations for lateness that students have given during the Autumn Term:

*"Tree broke down!"*

*"Braces off."*

*"Couldn't find the way."*

*"Sick - but came to school."*

*"Bus was not in service."*

*"Fell asleep on the bus."*

*"Had to drop my sister."*

*"Had to walk through the A10."*

*"Had to buy birthday sweets."*

*"Door didn't open".*

*"Told the wrong time."*

*"Bus was not there."*

*"Car malfunction."*

*"Lost on train."*

**Mrs Franklin  
Attendance Officer, Lower Site**



Please reply to : Education Welfare Service

E-mail : [ews@enfield.gov.uk](mailto:ews@enfield.gov.uk)

Phone : 020 8379 3745

Fax : 020 8379 3337

Date :

Dear Parent/Carer

**Re: Fast-track to Attendance**

In partnership with Enfield Education Welfare Service, St. Anne's Catholic High School for Girls will introduce the '**Fast-track to Attendance**' scheme for parents who fail to ensure that their children attend school regularly. This is an essential part of the government's drive to improve educational achievement and ensure that all parents fulfil their responsibility to ensure regular school attendance. This letter is being sent to all parents so that the responsible majority are aware of the action that will be taken with respect to parents whose children are missing school. It is also, of course, an opportunity for some to make improvements before becoming involved in the process.

**If your child has good attendance (95% or above), then this process will not apply to you or your child, and you will be receiving this letter for information only. The following will then not apply to you:**

Parents whose children are failing to attend school regularly without good reason can face prosecution within twelve weeks of being informed that improvements need to be made. This can lead to a maximum fine of £2,500, up to three months imprisonment and a criminal record. Alternatively, parents can be issued with a **Fixed Penalty Notice of £60 per parent per child**, rising to £120 if not paid within 21 days. This penalty is also applicable where parents take children on holiday without authorisation from their school's Headteacher and where there has been continued late arrival after the school register has closed. Another possible course of action is an application to the Family Court for an **Education Supervision Order**.

Andrew Fraser  
Director of Schools and Children's Services  
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In the first instance, you may receive a letter advising you of your child's **overall attendance percentage** and advising you to ensure that her attendance improves. If no improvement is seen in the following weeks, you will be offered an appointment to attend a formal meeting to discuss the matter. If there is still no sustained improvement, you will be invited to attend a **Court Assessment Meeting**, where a decision on legal action will be made.

**During the fast-track procedure, your child's absences will remain unauthorised unless medical evidence is provided should your child be absent through illness.**

What Can You Do To Help?

1. Ensure that you develop a routine that allows your child to get to school on time in the morning and ready for learning.
2. Make sure your child attends school each day and on time.
3. Praise your child when their attendance is good.
4. If your child is sick or prevented from attending for any unavoidable reason, contact the school on the first day of absence. You may be asked to allow your doctor to provide relevant details of your child's medical records.
5. Speak to the school or Education Welfare Service if your child is reluctant to go to school for any reason.
6. Seek permission from the school, giving details, well in advance if there is an important matter requiring your child to be absent from school.
7. If you receive a letter, about your child's attendance, *do not* ignore it. Failure to cooperate with the Education Welfare Service could result in the matter proceeding to the Magistrates' Court more rapidly.

If you have any worries/concerns please do not hesitate to contact the Education Welfare Service on 0208 379 3745.

Yours sincerely



Sharon Clarke  
Operations Manager  
Enfield Education Welfare Service.

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## Year 11 Prom - June 2019



The 2018-2019 Prom took place at Woolston Manor Golf and Country Club in Chigwell, Essex, in June 2019. The evening was a great success with everyone going all out to impress. Dancing, food, photo booth and endless sweets were followed by a firework display and the announcement of the prizes for the evening.

The 'Best Make-up' Award went to Luanna Kyobe, 'Best Hair' was awarded to Natasha Rosseck, 'Best Shoes' went to Olivia Achiman, 'Best Dress' was awarded to Chelsi Green and 'Best Couple' went to Olivia Martin and her partner. The coveted award of Prom Queen Award went to Renee Boachie (pictured). A brilliant last hurrah for last year's Year 11s.

## Teaching and Learning



Learning can be held up when students come to lessons without the basic equipment they need. As a result, it is our policy to apply behaviour points if students come to lessons poorly organised. To prevent this from happening, could we please ask parents and carers to ensure that our students come to lessons in January with the correct equipment they need for each lesson. This information can be found on page 37 of the student planner and includes black and green ink pens, coloured pencils, a clear 30cm ruler, scientific calculator (students are not permitted to use their phone as a calculator), HB pencil, pencil eraser, pencil sharpener, set square, protractor, Pritt stick and USB stick. These items make great stocking fillers, so Christmas is a good time to stock up.

**Mrs Hyland, Assistant Headteacher in charge of Teaching and Learning**

## Lost Property

Please ensure that all items of your daughter's clothing are clearly labelled with her name. We have approximately 900 students in the school, all wearing the same uniform! It is sad to see the number of garments that are handed in and never claimed.

Items of clothing with names marked in them are always returned to students. We do put lost property on display at the end of each Term in the hope that students will come and have a look.



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## Macmillan Coffee Morning



We held a coffee morning on Friday 6th December 2019 in the lower site staff room to raise money for Macmillan Cancer Support. The morning was a great success, the cakes were lovely and we raised **£101.51**. Thank you to all the staff who came along and gave their support. Thank you also to Waitrose for their kind donation of cakes.

**Ms Petherbridge**  
Teacher of Textiles



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# Hello from Friends of St Anne's - FOSA

How is it Christmas again already?! Before we share what a wonderful year we have had, I wanted to take the opportunity to thank Mrs Gilling on behalf of FOSA, for her vision in setting up FOSA eight years ago and her continued dedication and support ever since. We wish her a happy and fulfilling retirement.

We have had yet another amazing term and have managed to raise more funds to support our students, many in ways that are helping the world we live in. In September, new water fountains were installed by the School Premises Team. These came direct from FOSA fundraising and are helping the girls and the school to reduce their plastic bottle consumption by being able to refill their own reusable water bottles. We are also saving valuable and reusable resources from reaching landfill by taking part in the **Happy School Bags** initiative. The clothing, shoes and accessories you donate are sold to second-hand markets abroad for the purpose of re-use and provides affordable quality clothing to disadvantaged people in need. Our first Happy School Bag collection this term raised **£372.60**. You simply need to fill any bag with any of the following: unwanted but clean clothing - children's and/or adults - bed linen, paired shoes and accessories. Our next collection is on **18th January 2020** - we hope you can help us to make another successful collection. Remember, items can be dropped off all year round.

So far, we have held two discos for St. Anne's and St. Ignatius students - our Year 10 & 11 Disco in September and our Year 7 Disco in November. Both were great evenings, full of fun and laughter, making over **£1,700.00**.

We held our annual Christmas Bazaar at the Lower Site on Saturday 23rd November, with plenty to do for all the family including the ever popular Christmas Shopping Room and the now infamous 'turkey roll'. We were gifted very generous donations from the local community and businesses and together were able to raise a fantastic total of **£3,949.94**.



*If you have ideas, suggestions or would like to help out, please contact Friends of St Anne's at:*  
[fosa@st-annes.enfield.sch.uk](mailto:fosa@st-annes.enfield.sch.uk)

**EASY FUNDRAISING!** If you're doing online shopping, please remember to use [www.easyfundraising.org.uk](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk) and then we get a donation just because you've shopped there. Amazon, Tesco, M&S, New Look, Next, Sainsbury's, Ebay and others are signed up. We've raised **£940.85** so far this year but would be great if more parents would use this scheme and increase that amount. It's easy to sign up and then if you just go to their website and look for the retailer you're shopping with, they automatically make a donation to St Anne's.

You can also donate to FOSA whilst shopping at Amazon! Simply visit [www.smile.amazon.co.uk](http://www.smile.amazon.co.uk) and choose 'Friends Of St. Anne's School Enfield (FOSA)' as your nominated charity and they will automatically make donations to St Anne's. This is great for all you regular Amazon users!

Thank you to everyone who continues to support FOSA and the school. We really cannot do this without you. If you would like to become a FOSA member, please get in touch with Ms Geraci or myself.

May you give and receive much love, joy, and peace this Christmas, **Mrs T Hanna, Chair of the Friends of St Anne's**



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# SUSTAINABILITY BULLETIN

## REDUCE. REUSE. RECYCLE.

Our first *Sustainability Bulletin* – how exciting! This year our school has the aim to become more sustainable. From this we have brought new water fountains, reusable school water bottles, blue recycle bins in the classrooms and red recycle bins in the playground. Through this our school has already increased its recycling and reduced our waste, with the incredible help of our sustainability reps!



Yet more is to be done. With the amazing Eco Warriors team we are now trying to reduce the amount of paper and plastic we use. There are many exciting projects in the pipeline for next year, which I look forward to sharing with you in the next bulletin. The students working on this year's projects have been absolutely excellent – well done, ladies! I hope you all have a wonderful, sustainable Christmas and remember: *waste not, want not!*

**Miss Cowley, Sustainability Co-ordinator**



**9J created superb poppies for Remembrance Day. They reused paper that would have been recycled or thrown away**



**Students have covered their books in waste materials from home e.g. wrapping paper, excess cloth, newspapers/magazine covers etc**



## Eco Warriors Team

Our Eco Warriors team have been busy this year completing a project from the North London Waste Authority lead by ecoACTIVE. The girls have had 5 workshops where they learnt about plastic, paper, textile and metal reuse and recycling and food waste reduction. They have also had a whole school assembly about the project and they presented a PowerPoint to their parents about what they have learnt so far – which was a great success. I am so incredibly proud of all the girls in my eco warrior team, they have been highly engaged, motivated and have come up with creative ideas for us as a school to help reduce our waste.



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## Educational Visit by Bin It!

Our Year 8 students were treated to an educational performance from the company *Bin It!*

The girls were fully engaged and have learnt how they should best dispose of their rubbish!



## A Quick Guide to a Sustainable Christmas!

Ever since Sir David Attenborough highlighted the impact single-use plastic is having on the oceans in *Blue Planet 2*, we've been looking for ways to live more sustainably and do good by the environment. Christmas is traditionally the period of peak consumption, when we go all out on gifts and food to impress our guests. But you can host an eco-friendly Christmas without skimping on the festive magic with a little expert know-how. Here, Merje Shaw, founder of *Scandiscapes* – an online destination where you can reconnect with nature through stylish biophilic (meaning love of nature) decor – gives her tips on how to have a more sustainable Christmas.

### 1... Don't be tempted to panic buy

'Less really is more when it comes to gift giving,' Merje says. 'Avoid buying too much stuff that will end up being thrown out or unused. Instead, make every gift count by purchasing things with value, purpose and meaning. Start by making a list of the people you will be buying a gift for and really think about what they would love – rather than panic buying!'

### 2... Pick a gift that lasts

'A houseplant, for example, will last forever (if cared for properly) and spark joy again and again,' says Merje.

### 3... Shop locally

'Supporting small businesses helps boost a strong, sustainable local economy. They have often put more care and love into their products, too. Plus you're likely to find a gift your recipient doesn't already own!'

### 4... Give a handmade gift

'Consider handmade gifts such as food; how about handmade cookies and cards, for example,' Merje says.



### 5... Think Eco-Friendly Wrapping Paper

'Choose recyclable wrapping paper and use last year's Christmas cards as tags. Alternatively, use brown paper and twine with a few twigs of eucalyptus tucked into the string – it's both sustainable and beautiful!'



### 6... Opt for one big gift

'When it comes to family and friends, why not do a Secret Santa with a set budget? That way everyone gets one lovely gift rather than 10 small ones,' says Merje.

### 7... Shop Christmas Tree Smart!

'If you go down the real tree route, choose one with an FSC Certification to confirm that it has been sourced sustainably, and make sure to dispose of it responsibly,' says Merje. 'If you prefer an artificial tree and don't already have one, buy a good quality one that will last for years rather than a cheap one that will need to be replaced in a few years, or shop second hand.'

### 8... Be inspired by a Scandi Christmas

'Think lots of candlelight (from beeswax candles) and decorations in natural materials such as wood and glass for a Scandi-inspired Christmas. Use winter foliage, pine cones and evergreen branches as the finishing touches.'

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# Easy Eco-Swaps We Can All Make at Home



**SUSTAINABILITY BULLETIN**  
REDUCE. REUSE. RECYCLE.

Being greener has never been easier. Claire Spreadbury reveals how to help protect the planet by using less plastic and recycling more. So many more of us are now finally trying to use less, recycle more and just generally think about the planet. And it's high time. But there's always at least one extra change you can make. A recent YouGov poll revealed that almost half of us (49%) admit we 'could do more' when it comes to recycling. So, how can you do more? Try making these ten easy eco-swaps at home...



## 1... Keep food fresh without using cling film

You can use offcuts of fabric, covered in beeswax and coconut oil instead of cling film, to keep food fresh in the fridge. Or if that's too much like hard work, you can buy your own beeswax wraps.

## 2... Put your recycling in the right bin

It sounds obvious, but so many people put items in the wrong recycling bins. To make sure that all recyclable paper and cardboard is actually sent for recycling, residents need to make sure that it ends up in the correct recycling bin.



## 3... Stop using bubble wrap and padded envelopes

Bubble wrap and plastic-lined envelopes are extremely difficult to recycle, so use paper and card versions instead. They'll protect any goodies you're popping in the post and can then be recycled.



## 4... Use a good old hankie

Tissues, paper towels and kitchen roll cannot be recycled once used – mainly for hygiene reasons. So why not go 'old school' and swap these for a handkerchief or cloth, so you can wash them and re-use?

## 5... Treat yourself to a reusable coffee cup

If you frequent coffee shops for your morning caffeine fix, maybe it's time to get yourself a reusable coffee cup. Around 2.5 billion single-use coffee cups are thrown away every year in the UK and less than 0.25% of these are actually recycled according to a government survey.

## 6... Don't forget to recycle your pizza boxes

Pizza boxes are 100% recyclable even when a little greasy, as long as there is no food left in them and they aren't heavily stained. Ensure your pizza box can be recycled by removing any crusts, leftover food, and soak up any excess oil. Frozen pizza boxes are 100% recyclable and should be placed in the recycle bin.

## 7... Think about the cards you buy

Greetings cards can be recycled, as long as they're not covered in glitter, glue or other non-paper materials, so only buy or make ones that can actually be recycled.

## 8... Shop with recyclability in mind

Look for the on-pack recycling information and avoid foods packaged in single-use plastics. Black plastic can't be recycled, and companies like Marks & Spencer are removing or reduce plastic packaging. Buy fruit and veg loose and meat and fish without plastic packaging. Also re-use carrier bags!



## 9... Use more eco-friendly ways to stay warm



If you feel the cold, it can be tempting to turn the heating on more often, but to use less energy, why not focus on just warming yourself up? Throw on an extra jumper, or cosy up in a super-efficient electric blanket.

## 10... Ditch disposable fast fashion

The fashion industry is the second most polluting industry (after oil) and produces nearly 20% of waste water globally. 'Disposable Fast Fashion' caters to the latest trends, and has a huge impact on the environment. To combat this problem, buy clothes at charity shops, revamp what you have or swap with friends.



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## Dates for your Diary - Spring Term 2020

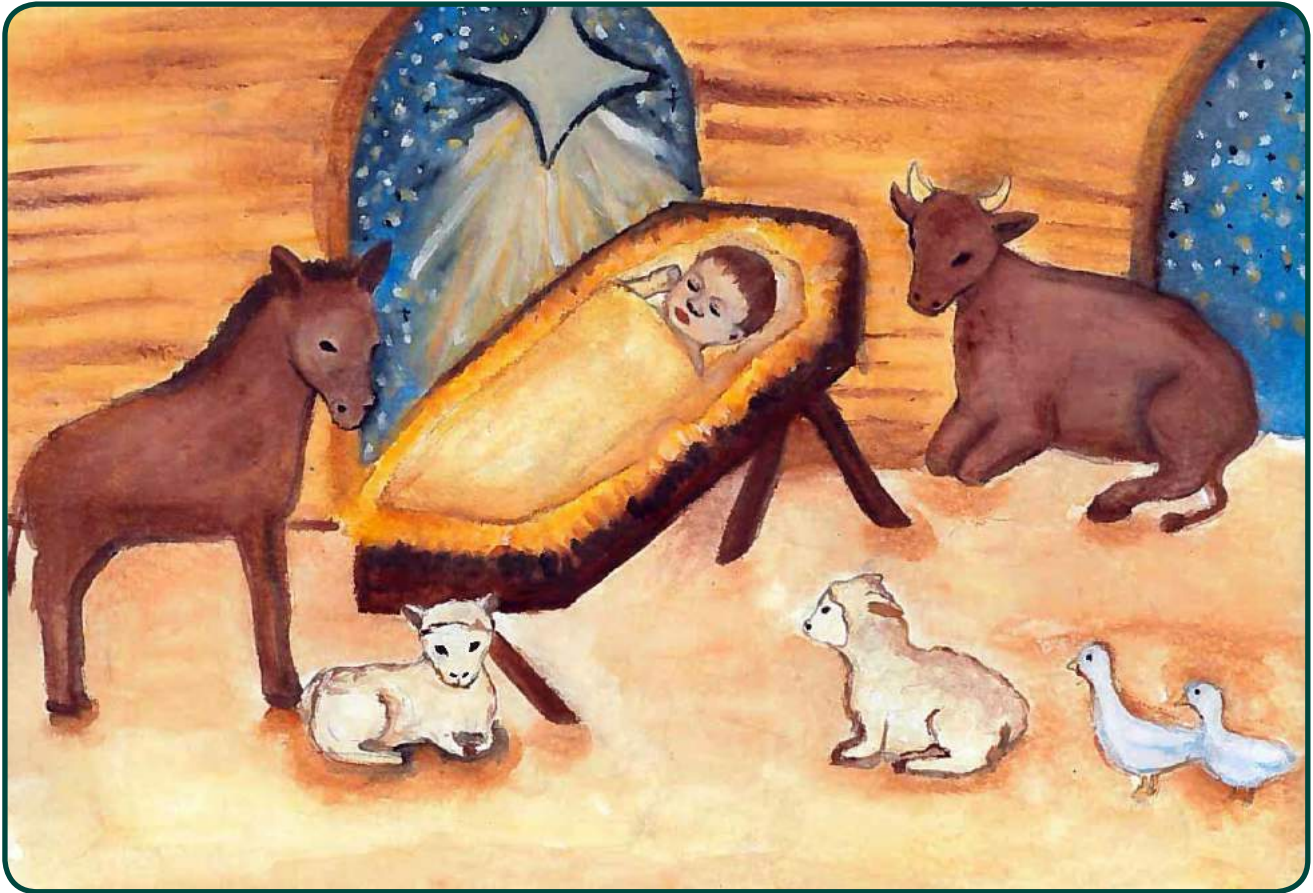
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.....	Students to arrive at 10.45am
Thursday 9th January 2020 .....	Year 7X Parents' Evening
Tuesday 14th January 2020 .....	Year 8 Photographs
Thursday 16th January 2020 .....	Year 7Y Parents' Evening
Monday 20th January 2020 .....	8A Retreat Day
Wednesday 22nd January 2020 .....	St. Marianne's House Feast Day
Thursday 23rd January 2020 .....	Happy School Bag Collection Day
Friday 24th January 2020 .....	8F Retreat Day
Monday 27th January 2020 .....	St. Angela's House Feast Day
.....	Holocaust Memorial Day
.....	8J Retreat Day
Wednesday 29th January 2020 .....	8L Retreat Day
Friday 31st January 2020 .....	8M Retreat Day
.....	Year 8 & 9 Disco - St. Anne's Upper Site
Wednesday 5th February 2020 .....	8T Retreat Day
Thursday 6th February 2020 .....	Year 8X Parents' Evening
Friday 7th February 2020 .....	St. Josephine's House Feast Day
Thursday 13th February 2020 .....	Year 8Y Parents' Evening
Monday 17th to Friday 21st February 2020 .....	HALF-TERM BREAK
Sunday 1st to Tuesday 3rd March 2020 .....	Computing Trip to Disneyland Paris
Thursday 5th March 2020 .....	World Book Day
Friday 6th March 2020 .....	Year 9 Photographs
Friday 6th to Sunday 15th March 2020 .....	National Science Week
Friday 13th March 2020 .....	Sports Relief Day
.....	Gospel Choir Concert (7.30pm, Upper Site)
Saturday 14th March 2020 .....	National Pi Day
Thursday 19th March 2020 .....	Year 9 Pathways Evening (7.00pm, Upper Site)
Thursday 26th March 2020 .....	Year 10 Parents Evening
Wednesday 1st April 2020 .....	Year 11 & 13 Photographs
Friday 3rd April 2020 .....	End of Spring Term. School closes at 12.00 noon for Easter Holidays
Monday 6th to Friday 17th April 2020 (inclusive) .....	EASTER BREAK
Monday 20th April 2020 .....	School re-opens for the Summer Term
ADVANCE NOTICE FROM THE EXAMS OFFICE - GCSE / A Level / BTEC Results Dates:	
Thursday 13th August 2020, 9.00am to 12.00pm .....	A Level/BTEC Results Day
Thursday 20th August 2020, 10.00am to 12.00pm .....	GCSE Results Day

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## Julia wins the Mayor of London's Christmas Card Competition



Julia Faron 9A won the Mayor of London's Christmas Card Competition. Her design was selected from over 1000 entries from London schools. Winning the competition means that the Mayor's Office has used Julia's Christmas design for all its Christmas card send-outs, to people and organisations including VIPs across the country and worldwide - even the Queen will be receiving one!

Alongside the £100 Cass Art gift voucher, Julia received a set of the cards she designed, so she was able to send them out to her friends and family. Julia was invited to the Mayor's Office to meet the Major and receive her certificate and award from him. Well done, Julia!

**Mr. Gillespie, Teacher of Art**

### A-Level Art Students at the Royal Academy

Congratulations to A-Level Art students Rose Kelly, Aiala Samula Lopez and Grace Shiels who have been awarded a place on the prestigious Royal Academy 'attRAct' programme. **attRAct** is a free, year-long programme of specialist practical workshops, tutorials, studio visits and exhibition tours, all designed to get young people thinking and talking critically about art and the creative industries. The programme also includes career and portfolio advice sessions, such as training in public speaking, group discussions, careers advice from professionals in the sector, open day visits to selected universities and portfolio reviews, which provide guidance and support to young people wishing to pursue a career in the arts, architecture and wider cultural sector.

Throughout the programme, students will be able to connect with young creatives from across London, make new like-minded friends, as well as meet and work with professional artists, learning about the creative industries as a whole.

**Mr. Barnes, Subject Leader: Art**



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# COMPUTING

## Hour of Code

Each December, ten percent of students around the world celebrate Computer Science Education Week by doing an Hour of Code event at their school. It's an opportunity for every child to learn how the technology around us works. At St Anne's, Years 7, 8 and 9 took part in the hour of code and created their own games and apps to show that anybody can learn the basics, and to broaden participation in the field. Computer Science is about making a difference in the world, creating new things, and helping others. It will help you succeed, whether you want to be a journalist, a lawyer or even a doctor.

**Why not get involved?**

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## Centre for Computing History

Year 9 students attended the Centre for Computing History in Cambridge to celebrate Ada Lovelace Day – a day dedicated to women who influenced Computer Science throughout the years. They also met women working in the computing industry and heard about their fascination for computing. Learning about these incredible women, past and present, gave students more encouragement to pursue a GCSE in Computer Science.



## Computing Student of the Term



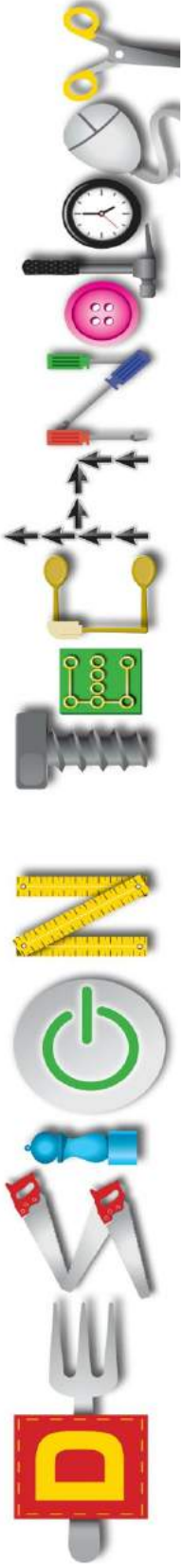
Varsha Vijayabaskar in 9M has been identified as an **OUTSTANDING** student in Computing. During this term she has demonstrated exceptional academic achievement, showing a love for learning and engagement and being a role model by setting a good example for others.

Well done, Varsha!

**Mr Delaney, Teacher of ICT**

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## Food and Nutrition Overview

Once again a new cohort of Year 10 began their GCSE class by successfully passing a Level 2 Food Safety certificate. They have also been creative in preparing dishes such as vegan jambalaya, lemon meringue pie and, for the technical challenge, these fantastic Yule Logs with a twist!



Year 7 have been introduced to Health & Safety by making healthy eating dishes... Year 8: carbohydrate based cooking, learning to garnish their macaroni cheese so nicely... Year 9: multicultural foods.

A new introduction for this year has been the 'Chef of the Lesson' award, who gets five achievement points and a 'Chatterbox' based on The Eatwell Guide (*see right*).

I personally raised more than £130 for Breast Cancer Research from kind donations from staff in school, who enjoyed these delicious cupcakes.

**Mrs Donaghy, Teacher of Food Technology**



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## Year 9 Graphics

It has been a very busy and exciting term in the Graphics Department.

Year 9 students have been working very hard creating board game designs based on the theme of Space. The girls have been developing their computer skills and learning Photoshop.

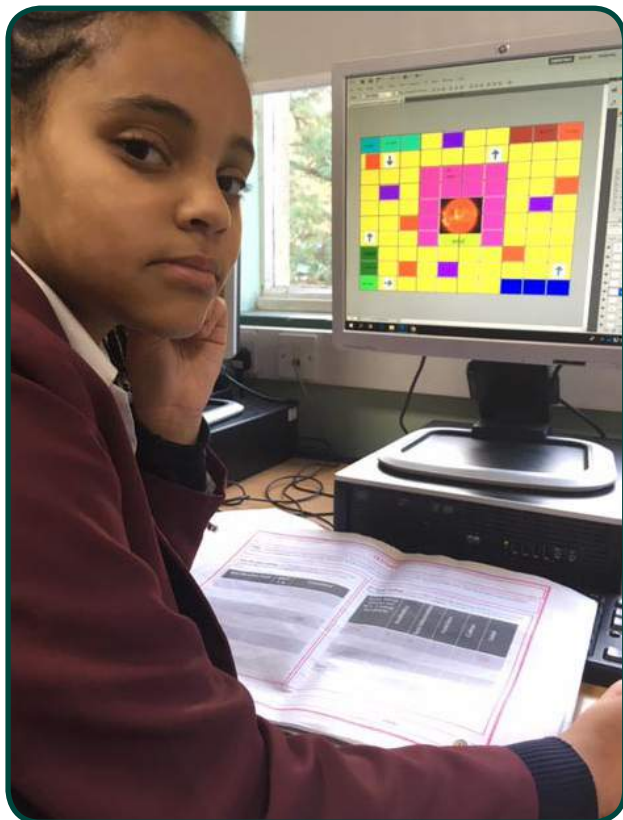
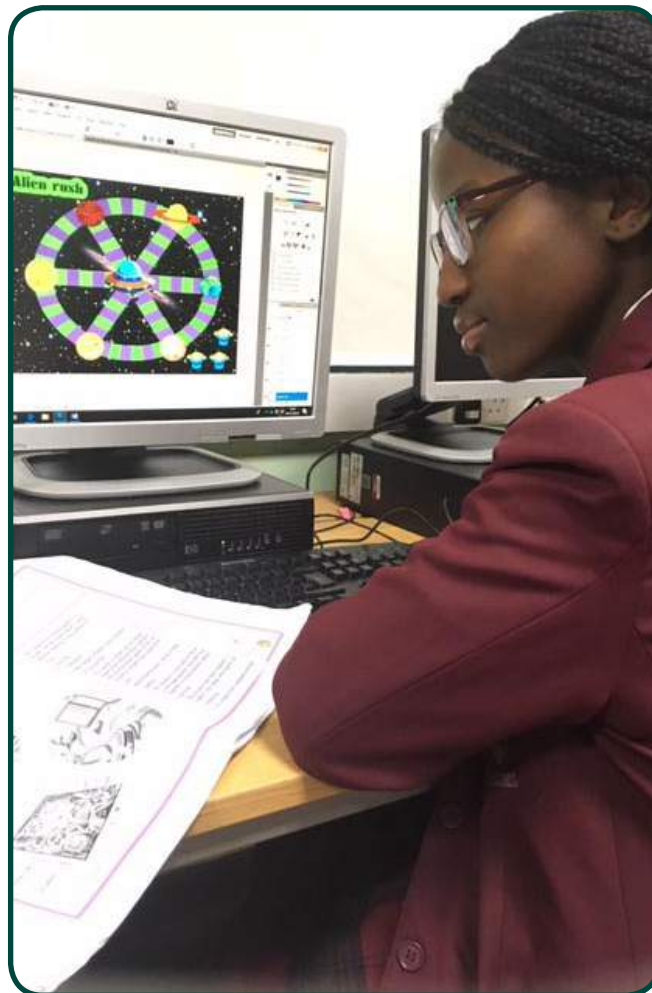
The final products are very impressive and creative and the girls are to be congratulated on their hard work and creative efforts.

Here are some quotes from the girls:



“This year we have been designing our own unique board games using Photoshop. Ms Petherbridge has been an outstanding teacher guiding us through our lessons.”

**Lois Mohan-Stapleton 9L**



“I had a great time creating this game board. It was really fun and interesting.”

**Faith Jarrett**



“In Graphics I invented a board game inspired by the game of life and zodiac signs. I am really impressed with my board game because it is relatable to everyone and I would play it.”

**Shannon Mabena**



“My board game is colourful and bold. I’m very happy with my final product.”

**Loida Opuni 9L**



“We have been creating a board game about space. We have used Photoshop and it turned out really creative!”

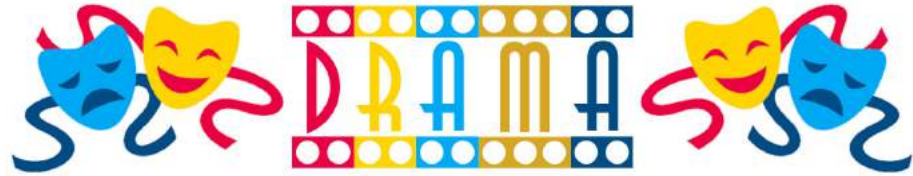
**Ariana Miah 9L**

**Ms Petherbridge, Teacher of Graphics**

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# HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL



*High School Musical* is exactly that: a musical set in a High School. It was a smash hit Disney Channel original film and the choice for this year's school production at St. Anne's. The shows took place on 31st October and 1st November in our Upper Site hall, with St. Anne's students collaborating with boys from St. Ignatius College to perform two memorable nights of show stopping music, drama and dance. The whole cast worked together with exceptional commitment and focus. The story shows Troy, played excellently by Kieron Andrews, and Gabriella, the wonderful Freya De Rosa, defy traditional stereotypes and audition for the school musical. There is peer pressure from other students to 'stick to the status-quo'. The high school diva Sharpay Evans, played with aplomb by Elizabeth McWilliams, and her brother Ryan Evans, the hilarious Jackson Rigby, are also desperate to sabotage the romance and friendship between the two because they want to be the leads in the musical themselves. There were notable performances from Valerie Khimey as the eccentric drama teacher and Aidan Ogbechie as her nemesis, coach Bolton.

The themes of first love, cliques and friendship are ones that all students can relate to and there are valuable life lessons to be learnt. The cast really did pull together and with two drama teachers and a music teacher down they did not give up. Joelle Mortimer, Viran Burrun, Mari Holmes, Rose Pickles and Jonathan Carboni, Dolly Bishop-Laggett rose to the challenge with lines to learn and hilarious or dramatic and serious characters. The message of the show was that we shouldn't be afraid to be ourselves and that we need to all help each other as we really are 'all in this together'. The chorus of geeks, brainiacs, jocks and thespians (Michealla Powell, Hanna Siwec, Adebola Adebawale, Taryn Kisaalita, Che Oxide, Holly Macmurdie, Ivie Imafidon-Marcus, Lola Suarez, Hannah Lander, Taliese Thomas, Isabel Teixeira, Marie Santos, Sutania Brown Bogle) all sung and danced with marvellous choreography and energy. The audience were delighted and thought it was a powerful and dynamic occasion. The lighting and sound was controlled by girls in Years 10 and 11: Aathiththiya Sritharakuma, Chiara Di Biasio, Frankie Edwards. They had never run a lighting desk or spotlights before and learnt these skills quickly and efficiently, adding to the atmosphere and professional look of the performance. Our very own Emily Walsh ran the sound cues, a terrifyingly responsible job and she didn't miss a cue. The fantastic Back Stage Crew, composed of Drama and Theatre Studies students Heavadny Johnson, Eleni Gavriel, Sian Mayuga, Adhieu Abang, kept the set, props and costumes in order. The set was designed by Graphics students Ciara Patterson, Yetunde Polius-Owa, Anastasia Ziekoskli.

All the teachers who helped and came to the show and the parents and students made this a show-stopper, never to be forgotten. Musical director Ms Green and myself Ms Gill-Carey (director) have memories to laugh and cry at. Thanks to Miss Geraci, Mr O'Sullivan (Drama), Mr Lall (Music) the site staff, the video recordist and everyone else I may have forgotten – thank you. As Troy said when the hugging and screaming was over on the final night, 'we are not just a team, we're family'.

**Ms Gill-Carey, Subject Leader: Drama**



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# Geography

## Field Trip to Epping Forest

Year 11 girls enjoyed themselves on their field trip to Epping Forest last month, despite the freezing cold weather. They were able to deepen (pardon the pun) their knowledge about channel characteristics, river management and flood prevention.



## Year 7's World Posters

7A (left) and 7L (right) present their incredible posters about countries all over the world. The effort made was fantastic. Well done, ladies!



Lastly, the Geography Department would like to wish everyone a happy and restful Christmas.

**Mr Sikuede, Subject Leader: Geography**

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# ✓ Mathematics

New Numeracy Ambassadors!



This school year, new members joined the Numeracy Ambassadors team. This autumn term we visited each Year 7 form during Thursday registrations. We helped the girls complete numeracy booklets, giving out achievement points to those who made a lot of effort. A Christmas quiz was also produced, and it proved to be a fun way to help form groups interact and solve problems together. Much more will be forthcoming in the coming months.

The Numeracy Ambassadors would like to take this opportunity to wish parents, staff and their fellow students a very Merry Christmas!

## Senior Maths Challenge

Congratulations to all of the students from Years 10, 11 and 12 who took part in the Senior Maths Challenge in November.

St Anne's students performed very well, with outstanding results from Ramiya Thilepkumar in Year 10 who achieved a Silver Certificate, Jennifer Dao in Year 12 who also achieved a Silver Certificate and from Gemma Falade in Year 12 who achieved a Bronze Certificate.

This nationwide challenge includes students from around the country up to and including Year 13, with St Anne's students once again showing their excellent ability to take on and succeed in this high level challenge.

Mr Stephens, Teacher of Maths

## Year 9 Maths Support Clinic

**Wednesday lunchtimes in Lower Site Room 15.  
Get extra help with Maths problems.  
All Year 9 students are welcome.**



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## Our Spanish Interlude



We've been busy in Modern Languages this term. In November, ten Year 10 and 12 students visited *The Language Show* in Olympia. They even had a go at learning some Turkish words. Well done to them.

On 6th December, forty students went to Lille in France for the weekend. They visited the Christmas market in Lille, played boules and decorated chocolates. It was a busy and fun weekend.

Miss Sheaf and our Year 12 A Level students visited the médiathèque at the French Institute in South Kensington. They did a research activity, learnt about France in the Second World War and watched a film in the Ciné Lumière. A very interesting day indeed.

Thank you to Mrs Alvarez and Miss Sheaf for organising the trips and to all the teachers and students that took part.

We wish you all a Happy Christmas and a healthy and happy New Year. *Joyeux Noël et bonne année. Feliz Navidad y feliz año nuevo.*



Miss Ioannou, Subject Leader: Modern Foreign Languages





## Looking Back on a Successful Term in Music

It's been a busy first term in the Music department. Congratulations to all the pupils who have shown commitment and dedication during rehearsals, as this has enabled us to put on so many great events. I am excited to see passion for music flourishing across the school, with a large number of pupils keen to get involved. As well as the Mass Choir and Gospel Choir, we have started two instrumental groups on the Lower Site, which we hope to expand further in the New Year.

In the first half-term we welcomed all the new Year 7s and their families with the Year 7 Welcome Mass. This was a fantastic evening, filled with music, which culminated in all 180 Year 7s performing their splendid rendition of *Reign In Me*.



Last week some members of the Lower Site Mass Choir visited the North London Hospice in Barrowell Green to perform some Christmas songs for them. The girls were excellent and brought lots of festive joy to the patients. The Hospice have since contacted me to say how much they enjoyed the performance and how talented they thought the girls were.



I am looking forward to many more musical events next term.

Miss Green, Subject Leader: Music



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# PHYSICAL EDUCATION

## Inter-Form Cross Country

The annual battle between forms got under way back in sunny September. The new girls in Year 7 learnt how to pace themselves for the race. KS3 girls completed the course, and times were recorded. The top 10 in each class had their times combined and the results were as follows:

	YEAR 7	YEAR 8	YEAR 9
<b>FIRST</b>	St. Marianne	St. Angela	St. Josephine
<b>SECOND</b>	St. Angela	St. Teresa	St. Angela
<b>THIRD</b>	St. Laura	St. Laura	St. Teresa

### Year 7 Top Ten

OMISORE Lizzie	4.02
Gomez Vega, Carla	4.03
Danso, Dulcie	4.26
Condorelli, Anna	4.27
Kontor-Manu, Jayna	4.3
Bashale, Joyce	4.32
Sztaberek, Julia	4.47
Balandyte, Izabele	4.48
Dumlao, Kaylee	4.49
GUINEVAN Lucie	4.55

### Year 8 Top Ten

Oglina, Sophia	4.13
Hanrahan, Grace	4.16
OPOKU-BROWN Diana	4.21
OGUNRIBIDO Esther	4.22
GUTHRIE Jojo	4.23
SIGUA Isabella	4.26
ASAMOAH Davina	4.27
Conteh, Zanu	4.3
Dumbuya, Jaydel	4.3
Oye-Delaquis, Jodie	4.36

### Year 9 Top Ten

DENCH Grace	4.04
Mortimer, Joelle	4.11
Mroz, Olivia	4.14
O'CALLAGHAN Erin	4.16
Gallagher, Niamh	4.2
ARREDONDO Emely	4.29
CIUBAN Bristena	4.36
Johnson, Scarlett	4.37
Nzekwe, Chiamaka	4.45
BOATENG FRIMPONG	4.48

## Enfield Schools Cross Country at Trent Park

St. Anne's competed in the Enfield Borough Cross Country Championships on Tuesday 5th November. Sixty girls from different schools competed in each race with the top eight going through to the national stage. Some of the girls that performed well in the school inter-form cross country event were selected to represent the school. The girls ran very well with some finishing inside the top 12, showing lots of effort and determination despite the extremely wet and muddy conditions. Well done to all the girls that took part. All finished, though some enjoyed it more than others!



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# Netball



The Year 7 Netball team, as usual, were very busy this term, with weekly fixtures across Enfield. The team committed well and showed some excellent raw skill which we have been developing in training. Come the new year we will have been put in our leagues for the rest of the season.

Meanwhile, Year 8 have continued to shine this year. They always turn up to train - even now we have changed to early mornings! Their skill, teamwork and friendship has gone from strength to strength and they are an absolute pleasure to coach and watch. They have been using things learnt in training during matches which have reflected in their results. We look forward to the rest of the season and our second PGL tournament weekend in February!

We have been very impressed with the number of Year 9 girls who have been attending netball training consistently this term. There have been over 30 girls attending each week, highlighting their enthusiasm and dedication for netball at St. Anne's. Well done to the Year 9 Netball team who have won their first three Netball league matches, beating Heron Hall, Winchmore School and Aylward Academy very convincingly. They have shown great teamwork and focus in both training and matches. When representing the school they have also shown excellent maturity and are a credit to St. Anne's. We look forward to seeing this continue!



The Year 10s have once again been phenomenal and have worked extremely hard at training which has shown during their games. They came fourth in the tournament overall. Yet, recent matches we have either won or drawn. Well done to everyone for all your hard work and commitment.

With so much going on in Year 11, I am really proud to say that we managed to play a few games before the October half term. We entered the senior netball tournament in October. There was some very tough opposition, but the girls worked hard, beating Broomfield, and only narrowly losing 2-1 to Southgate in horrendous weather conditions.



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# Rugby

St. Anne's have committed to the England Rugby three-year **CBRE All Schools Programme**, which aims to increase participation in the sport. Year 7 and Year 8 students benefit from expert coaching in their PE lessons from RFU coach Martin Crossman, as well as the chance to develop their basic skills at an after school club on Tuesdays. By Week 3 we had 24 girls!

Well done too to the Year 7 and 8 girls that were selected to represent St. Anne's in a rugby development festival at The New River Sports Centre on Tuesday 12th November. This was the first experience for most of the girls at competition in rugby. Despite this, the girls demonstrated the skills learnt in rugby club effectively, showing pure resilience and determination throughout.



## Designing St. Anne's Rugby Kit at Twickenham!

In September, four girls from Year 9 and Year 10 went to Twickenham Stadium to spend the day with kit designers from Canterbury and designed our new school rugby kit. Girls have represented the school in the Middlesex rugby festivals... and there are playing opportunities outside school through our link club, Enfield Ignatians RFC, where several of our girls are playing regularly on Sunday mornings for the TIGERS. New girls are always welcome! Come along: 10.00-11.30am.



Designing the kit... and a tour of Twickenham Stadium!  
Niamh Gallagher, Grace Corcoran, Niamh Aldrich and Chiara Di Biasio

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# Cardio Tennis



Cardio Tennis is a new, fun, group activity combining fitness activities with tennis to give students of all abilities an ultimate, high-energy workout whilst learning the basic techniques of tennis. We have been very impressed with the enthusiasm and effort that the Year 9 girls have shown for this new activity and will be introducing it after Christmas for girls in Years 7 and 8. A special well done to Lilibeth Kwae and Tracy Boateng Frimpong who have helped to lead this activity showing excellent maturity and leadership skills. Well done, girls.

## Football

Football Club has continued to be a success this year with regular students turning up to play on a Monday lunchtime.

The team have had three games this side of the year coming away with a win, draw and loss to the top three teams. The team has had some big changes this year with a number of new players from Years 7-9. They show talent and commitment on the field and with some more training will gel together better as a team and the results are sure to follow. A big mention must go to our two new Year 7 players Izzy and Anna who have been excellent whilst playing against older opposition.



For all PE news, including club days and times, fixtures and results, follow us on [Twitter @STA\\_PEd](#)



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# Psychology

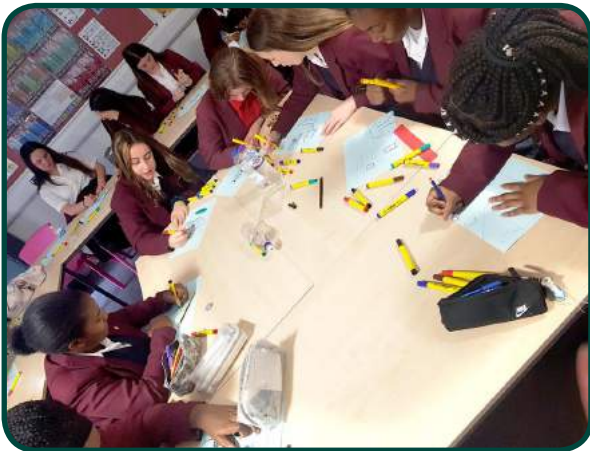


We've had a very busy term in the Psychology department. Students have attended two very informative and engaging visits; Year 12s and 13s attended *The Training Partnership: Psychology in Action* seminar at the Emmanuel Centre in Westminster and Year 13 students attended the *Tutor2u: Strong Foundations* workshop in Westfield, Stratford. Both sessions were excellent in enabling students to access the curriculum more effectively and understand the broader implications of psychology.



We have also been using creative and innovative methods during lessons this term to increase students engagement. Year 13 students have been encouraged to use images and diagrams to create a mess in the class to help them summarise and teach Offender Profiling in Forensic Psychology. Year 12 students have been given the role of mothers and have been learning the importance of attachment through their interactions with their egg babies.

Finally, I'd like to finish off with a massive thank you to the amazing group of Year 13 students who volunteered to be part of the Psychology Club, open to Year 10 students. The Year 13 girls planned and delivered fun-filled sessions on Art Therapy, Attraction in Romantic Relationships, Prejudice/Discrimination and DNA Modification. This has been a great opportunity for Year 10s to understand what psychology is about and learn about the different fields of research in psychology.



I'd like to wish all the girls a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Mrs Gok, Teacher of Psychology

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## KS3 Science Prizes

The elves have been busy preparing the prizes for the KS3 students who have really pushed themselves in Science this term.

Science isn't always easy, mainly because there is such a diversity of topics included. Some students may love one particular subject and not another, so keeping focused and resolved all through the term is difficult.

However, perseverance and hard work never goes unnoticed and those students who displayed these qualities were nominated by their teachers and rewarded with a postcard home and a little sweet treat. Keep up the hard work, and maybe you may get a prize next term!

Well done to our Autumn Term winners:

Eryka Labro 8X1  
Emilia Grigaitis 8Y2  
Carita Poku 7L  
Kornelia Domaradzka 8Y1  
Keziah Boateng 9Y4  
Kyria Mibanzo 9Y4  
Mandy Sam 9X3  
Shannon Magee 8X3  
Taryn Kisaalita 9Y2  
Marissa Le 8Y3  
Maxine Sarpong 8X4  
Alexia Malauan 7M  
Sanuja Sivasothy 8Y4  
Shania Mbemba 9X4  
Tatyana Iddy 7A  
Dominka Adamek 7A  
Matyllda Dudek 7T  
Favour Nwandinigwe 7T

Mrs Khan, KS3 Science Coordinator



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# SOCIOLOGY

## Year 12 Sociology Cinema Trip

On 12th December, the Sociology class went to see Ken Loach's film *Sorry We Missed You* at the BFI Southbank. This gave the girls a chance to see the Christmas Market first, as well as enjoy the spectacular views of London from the bridge at Embankment. We ate some home-made pizza before seeing the film.



The film highlighted the impact of the 'gig economy' on a working-class family in Newcastle. It described the life of a parcel deliverer, something we all make use of today: what does a 'zero hours' contract really mean in practice? How does the son's truancy and rebellion link to this? How does the mother manage to combine her home role with work as a social worker for the elderly? We all came out very animated, talking about the film for much of the way back and linking it to many sociological concepts and theories we have been studying this term.

**Ms Ferros**  
Subject Leader Sociology

## Year 13 Health and Social Care Trip

The Year 13 Health and Social Care students explored three rooftops in the City, looking at how public spaces can promote mental health: 120 Fenchurch, the Sky Garden and the Tate Modern. We also visited Fen Court, which has a monument dedicated to the anti-slavery sermons delivered there by John Newton. We enjoyed spectacular views and saw how rooftops have been turned into places of peace and quiet in the midst of our bustling city. We also enjoyed some funky exhibits in the Tate Modern, such as the Kara Walker fountain, challenging our view of the British Empire. The girls felt they had learnt about the opportunities our city offers and how they can see it as a place of refuge and stimulus.



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# Bulletin Extra • House Reports

## St Angela House

We are very much looking forward to celebrating the Feast of St Angela on Monday 27th January, we will have fun activities designed to raise money for our sponsored child through plan international and the WWF. Our Lower Site House Assembly will take place on Monday 13th January. We hope that all of the girls in St Angela house have a safe and restful Christmas.

**Ms Vevers and Miss Troiano**

### Our Saint Angela Prayer

*Saint Angela, you were not afraid of change.  
You did not let stereotypes keep you from serving.  
Help us to overcome our fear of change in order  
to follow  
God's call and allow others to follow theirs.  
Amen.*



## St Faustina House



We celebrated our Feast Day on 4th October with a non-uniform day for Saint Faustinians. Swathes of yellow once again brightened the day, with yellow being our House colour. The Saint Faustina House Prefects did a great job in organising a raffle on the Lower Site and cake sales on both sites. Thank you to everyone who contributed in any way towards our cake sales and raffle on our Feast Day. We raised over **£300** across both sites for our chosen charity for 2019-20, WWF. Well done, everyone!



### Our Saint Faustina Prayer

*Help me, O Lord, that my eyes may be merciful,  
So that I may never suspect or judge from  
appearances,  
But always look for what is beautiful in my  
neighbour's soul.  
Help me, O Lord, that I may be merciful,  
So that I should never speak negatively of others,  
But have a word of comfort and forgiveness for all.  
May your mercy, O Lord, rest upon me.  
Amen.*

### Beautiful words from Saint Faustina's diary

*"Love is a mystery that transforms  
everything it touches into things  
beautiful and pleasing to God."*

Let this season of peace and goodwill remind us of the importance of the power of love.

**Mrs Hyland (Head of Faustina House) and Ms Marcou (Assistant Head of Faustina House)**



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# St Josephine House



## Our Saint Josephine Prayer

*Loving God, rewarder of the humble, you blessed St Josephine Bakhita with charity and patience. May her prayers help us, and her example inspire us to carry our cross and love you always. Pour upon us the spirit of wisdom and love with which you filled St Josephine Bakhita. By serving you as she did, may we please you by our faith and our actions. Amen*



During Easter, we took part in Altar-Serving for Saint Monica's Easter Liturgy. It was a really great experience that allowed us to appreciate the love that God has for us for sacrificing his only Son.

**Lucy Cronin and Saoirse Leen 11J**



Hi! My name is Lauren-Ashley. I am currently writing a blog on different topics that I like and am interested in. These include bakery and colorism.

**Lauren-Ashley 11J**



10J invited Mrs Gilling to join them during their registration on Thursday 5th December to present her with a retirement gift.



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# St Laura House



## Our Saint Laura Prayer

*Dear Lord,  
Fill us with a living faith that we may grow in your way of love and become instruments of St. Laura.  
Open our minds so that we do not discriminate against others.  
Open our hearts to love each other.  
May St. Laura inspire us in all we say and do.  
AMEN.*

Wow! Christmas is here and the first term has ended and I am glad to say it has been a very successful term for our St. Laura girls.

I would like to say a big thank you to St Laura girls for participating in the Cake Sale for their House's Feast Day. The students brought in various treats to sell on the day and some of the ladies even made their own cakes and buns! I would like to say a special thank you to Lucie Guinevan in 7L for donating a big box of delicious cupcakes. Due to the quality of the cupcakes we could sell them for £1.50 and that helped us raise even more money for charity. Thanks to the efforts of the girls we raised over **£250!** All of the money raised will go to the WWF Amazon Rainforest Appeal. WWF appeal to help us protect the Amazon, and with it, our future. This includes supporting local and indigenous communities and lobbying the government for stronger action in protecting the rainforest.



I would also like to thank St Laura's prefects, form and deputy form representatives for working so hard on and leading up to the feast day. Without the girls' hard work we definitely wouldn't have raised so much for the WWF. Saint Laura girls have once again made their House and school proud.

Well done, ladies.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

**Mrs Danneau-Joyce (Head of House)  
and Mr Devine (Assistant Head of House)**



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# St Marianne Cope House

## Marianne House Prefects



### St. Marianne House Qualities

Set standards high

Believe in your ability

Always be prepared

Work harder than your teacher

Practice makes perfect



Congratulations to our students who have been selected as house prefects.



7M - Jayna, Hollie and Sophie



8M - Maia, Andrea and Jodale



9M Erica, Daniella and Bonnie



### KS4 HOUSE PREFECTS

10M

Josephine, Joycelyn, Mmesoma, Yaa, Claudia and Anoginii

11M

Leanne, Alexandara, Isabel, Radhika, Chinememma and Taliese!



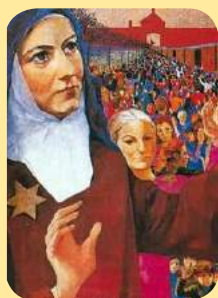
### Our Saint Marianne Prayer

O God, who called us to serve your Son in the least of our brothers and sisters, grant, we pray, that by the example and intercession of Marianne Cope, we may show love for you and those who suffer. AMEN.

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# St Teresa Benedicta House



## Our Saint Teresa Prayer

*O my God, fill my heart with joy, courage and strength to serve you and your people.*

*Enkindle your love in me and then walk with me through my life.*

*I do not know what lies ahead of me but trust that you will be with me always. Amen*

This year has been a fantastic term for St Teresa House. All St Teresa students have fully immersed themselves in charity events throughout the term. For instance, for our Feast Day we raised over **£300** for WWF save the rainforest. Our Teresa House students continuously demonstrate how charitable they are and St Teresa Benedicta would be proud, as are we.

**7T** – Have settled in nicely to the St Teresa House. They are enthusiastic, kind and creative students who are keen to participate in all activities, including sports clubs and choir.

**8T** – Are still one of the best forms in Year 8 – they are always so incredibly helpful, organised and giving. They always offer up their time and want to be involved in all clubs and activities. Well done girls for being excellent role models for the new Year 7s.



**9T** – Now head of the Lower Site, the Year 9s are enjoying being the oldest and have taken it in their stride. They are working hard in all their lessons, they are focusing on their future and thinking about the subjects they will choose. As a Form they are working better, everyone is happier and calmer and maturing into wonderful women. Well done for a great term ladies and enjoy your Christmas break.

**10T** – The loveliest form in Year 10! 10T have completely eased into KS4 and being on Upper Site. They have risen to every challenge and continue to be happy, helpful and wonderful.

**11T** – The Year 11s have been working hard in preparation for their GCSEs and have completed their pre-public exams. We hope this will help prepare them for what they need to do for their actual GCSE's. It has been good to see them making their mind maps and practising GCSE style questions showing a determination to succeed!

**Ms Pugh and Miss Cowley, Head of House and Assistant Head of House**

## Well done, Miss Cowley!!

Teresa House is extremely proud of Miss Cowley who has done such a good job co-ordinating the sustainability project at St. Anne's. She has made us so much more aware of reducing single-use plastic as well as recycling paper. Thanks to her example, we're becoming better at looking after our planet. She's an inspiration for the whole school! Thank you Miss Cowley!

*from all of us in Teresa House*



*Enjoy your well-earned Christmas break; we hope it is a peaceful and restful one!*



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# Bulletin Extra • Key Stage 3

## Pink Friday

Once again Key Stage 3 went all out wearing pink for this special day. A cake sale and nail painting were just some other ways of raising money for this worthy cause.



## Year 7 First Aid

The British Red Cross spent two days in October with our Year 7 students raising awareness of how to help and support others who have become unwell or have had an accident while they wait for professional intervention.

The girls learned about CPR, dealing with burns and choking and many other aspects of First Aid.

Watching short films, listening to the professional facilitator and the practical side of the sessions made sure the students gained an all-round knowledge of what they need to do should the occasion arise.



## Christmas Hampers

Every year we are amazed by how generous our parents are in helping us provide Christmas Hampers for those in the community that are in a difficult place at this time. Thank you so much to everyone for helping us to do this. We would like to share lovely true story with you this year. A lady who was in need last year and received one of our hampers came to Lower Site the other day and thanked us for our help when she needed it. She told us she was now in a much better situation and gave us 2 full bags of lovely items to create a hamper for someone else in need, embodying the true spirit of Christmas.



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The whole of Key Stage 3 really made an effort as usual for this annual charity event. Year 9 wore black & white, Year 8 went for camouflage and Year 7 wore onesies and pyjamas. A cake sale helped the fundraising on the day.



### Cardio Tennis Club



Well done to Lilibeth 9F and Tracy 9J for starting up, advertising and running the Cardio Tennis Club on Thursdays after school.

The sessions are based on a multi-skilled and fun approach to fitness.

Thank you to Mrs Frendo for giving up her time.

### Year 7 Disco

The annual Year 7 Disco in conjunction with St Ignatius took place on Friday 29th November.

All the girls and boys had a great time and really pulled out all the stops with their outfits on the evening.



### Year 8 Primary School Visits

Year 8 students supported Mrs Gilling at some of our Catholic feeder primary schools.

The students delivered heartfelt and personal speeches to parents of prospective Year 6 children.



# New Scientist Live!

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30 students were joined by Ms Lawrence and Mrs Khan on 10th October to visit the *New Scientist Live* show at the London Excel.

There were more than 150 exhibits and lots of interactive experiences showcasing the greatest innovations, technologies and research in the world right now. The highlight of the day for all was listening to a talk by astronaut Tim Peake.



## Explore Your Horizons Speed Networking Event

15 Year 9 students attended this amazing careers opportunity. The girls spoke to numerous captains of industry to gain a greater understanding of employment prospects within the world of work.

## Hot Chocolate with the Head



Wendy 8J, Rayah 8M, Andrea-Sophia 8M, Chelsy 8A, Maxine 8F and Fudiatu 8A recently enjoyed a celebratory hot chocolate with Mrs Gilling

## Christmas Lunch

Key Stage 3 students enjoyed themselves on the afternoon of Thursday 12th December, which started off with a yummy Christmas lunch. The girls then had lots of fun singing Christmas Karaoke songs in the hall, followed by some fun activities and Christmas hamper making with their Forms.



*The Key Stage 3 Team would like to wish all of our students, parents/carers and their extended families a happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year*



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# Bulletin Extra • Key Stage 4

## Off to a Flying Start

Year 11 have had a good start to the academic year. It kicked off with Year 11 Information Evening followed by the Year 11 Parents Evening. During the term we had a well-deserved trip to see *Hamilton* at the Victoria Palace theatre in London. This was a lovely day out and the performance was outstanding.

We ended the term with our PPEs, which the girls have worked very hard for. I wish KS4 students all the best with their results and I pray their hard work pays off in the GCSE exams next summer. As they end this term, I wish them all a well-deserved and restful Christmas. Best wishes! Ms Chin



## Pre-Public Exams

During the final two weeks of the Autumn Term Year 11 have been undertaking the first round of PPEs (mock GCSEs). Apart from seeing how well the students are doing in their subjects, it is like a dress rehearsal for the real exams at the beginning of the summer. There will be a second round of PPEs in March. These exams help subject areas to identify what intervention is needed to help the girls achieve the highest possible grades.



## Hot Chocolate with the Head



Enjoying a final hot chocolate with Mrs Gilling, who is sadly retiring at the end of the Autumn Term:

**Tanique McHayle 11F,  
Tenacee McCollins-Small 11T, Angelica Hoyos 11F,  
Joanne Ntege 11A, Kristina Abang 11F,  
Abigail Sangola 11A, Dominique McDonald 11A**

## Well done, Elle!!!

Well done to Elle for receiving an award for Cadet of Year and a special Bob Archer Award for tenacity.



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## Hampers for the Needy

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KS4 students collected items for Hampers which will be distributed to the needy in the area.

## Other KS4 Activities

KS4 students hosted another successful Tea Party for the elderly. It was greatly enjoyed by our most welcome visitors.



This year's Children in Need fundraiser was lots of fun - and all in a very good cause!



*We wish you  
a Happy  
and Peaceful  
Christmas and  
look forward to  
seeing you in  
2020.*

**The KS4  
Team**



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## Bulletin Extra • Key Stage 5

Our first term as a new team has been incredibly busy but very enjoyable. The new Year 12s have started the way they mean to continue, working hard, very supportive of each other and bringing with them a very positive atmosphere. Year 13s have hit the ground running, meeting deadlines, attending interventions but most importantly, completing their UCAS personal statements. We are delighted that so many of our students have had conditional offers for their first choice of University. We can hardly believe they only have 4½ months left before their first official A Level exam! Keep going girls – your hard work will pay off.

### European Christmas Markets

On Friday 29th November, 42 students and four members of staff set off to visit the Christmas markets in Aachen, Germany, Valkenberg, Holland and Bruges, Belgium. Of course, as always, what happens on tour stays on tour, but it really was a fun trip. There were lots of pop up food stalls, samples to try of everything from biscuits to local brew (!) and music in the street. Christmas trees and fairy lights made it all very festive. We attended Mass in Aachen Cathedral and then off to Valkenberg to try the local Toboggan run. Ms Vevers doesn't drive a car and let's just say thank goodness, as she hurtled down the run with no care or fear followed by the fearless Mr. Donnelly, our School Governor. However, we have no comment to make about Miss Yiannakas' attempt but there is video evidence! As always, our students were impeccably behaved, great fun and a real pleasure to be away with. We can't wait for next year.



### Macmillan Coffee Morning

We started off the year with a fun morning, selling cakes and hot chocolate in support of this amazing charity. Students from KS4 popped in and the morning was a great success, raising £57.

### University Visits

Year 12s and 13s have been attending information sessions run by both Oxford and Cambridge Universities. Some Year 12 students have already been accepted onto summer school courses, so please encourage your daughter to apply as soon as possible.

### Sixth Form Open Evening

We held a very successful Sixth Form Open Evening for students who will be enrolling in August 2020. It was lovely to welcome so many external students and their parents who had come to learn more about our success. If you would like to enrol, please use the following link: <https://stannes.carrd.co/>

### Saying Goodbye to Mrs Gilling

The Sixth Form said their final goodbye in an assembly to Mrs. Gilling. It was filled with love, laughter and *Greased Lightning*. We send all our love for a happy and long retirement, Mrs Gilling, BUT we will try not to think about you too hard when you are sat in the sun in January!

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## Children in Need

Bulletin Extra • Key Stage 5

We had a fun day celebrating Children in Need. Our theme was “through the years”, giving us the opportunity to recycle outfits that we had worn in maybe Year 7 or 8.

There was a fabulous atmosphere throughout the whole of the Upper Site with the Sixth Form acting as DJs during lunch.



## PPE Exams Year 12 and Year 13

Although we want you to go off and enjoy your Christmas holiday, remember to make time for revision for your PPE exams, which start on 13th January. You all have your timetables, so this should help with your revision planning. Good luck.

We would like to wish you and your family and Happy and restful Christmas. We have enjoyed working with you this past three months and look forward to successful new year ahead. With all good wishes.

**Ms Vevers, Miss Yiannakas and Mrs. Cowley, KS5 Team**

## Head Girl Team

In October we were appointed as the new Head Girl Team for the 2019-2020 academic year. Along with my deputies Rose Kelly, Sharon Ezeagu, Susane Nghotchouang, Ciara Mulherin and Gemma Falade, I look forward to working closely with staff, students and parents in school events, clubs and new initiatives.

Our first week in our new role saw us support the cast of *High School Musical Jr* as they performed their production twice to a packed out hall. Talking to proud family and friends made both evenings memorable as well as the amazing performance that we were all singing along to at the back of the hall. Well done to all the girls involved - you were all fantastic and your hard work and dedication definitely paid off.

A few weeks later, we were out in force at the annual Christmas Bazaar. The day was incredible and the Christmas spirit could be seen all around the Lower Site. The support of students across both sites was great, especially that of the Year 12s who all gave up their Saturday to support all the stalls and help in the lead up, preparing over 120 jars for the Jarbola. Thank you to everyone who spent the day with us and helped us raise money for FOSA – a total of almost **£4,000**.

Susane and I had a great evening at the Year 7 disco at the end of November. It was lovely to spend the evening with the younger girls who we don't get to see as much. We couldn't have done it without the amazing support of some Year 12 girls (Uju, Malika, Donatella, Edentte, Adaoma, Katrina and Keren) who kept the energy up in the hall all evening working with the DJ and working on the refreshment stall. We're all looking forward to the Year 8 & 9 disco in January.

We've kickstarted *Growing Girls* and are looking forward to starting mentoring in the New Year.

**Rhian Keady, Head Girl**



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Snapshots of the Sixth Form Open Evening



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## School Prayer

God our Father, source of all wisdom and love, you gave Saint Anne the privilege of being the mother of Mary, the Mother of your Son, Jesus Christ.

May her faith inspire us to use the gifts and talents you have given us, to bring your life and love to others.

Guide us, the community of St. Anne, to seek your way, truth and life in all our thoughts, words and deeds.

Amen.



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