Year 11 Update

See page 2 for a snapshot of upcoming events!



Autumn Term B 2024

Dear Year 11 Parent(s)/Carer(s),

This half term has been dominated by the mock GCSEs and I'm delighted to share that the maturity, dedication and focus of the year 11s has been exceptional. Students have been punctual and well prepared to sit the exams and have kept their anxieties at bay after being well rehearsed from their Friday mocks. PSHEC lessons have supported their wellbeing and time management in preparation for revision, and interventions have been well attended to support revision.

Additionally, Year 11 participated in an informative Sixth-Form Assembly to gain valuable insights into post-GCSE pathways. Furthermore, some Year 11s had the exciting opportunity to visit the University of Bath. These experiences contribute to their academic growth and well-rounded development, empowering them to make informed decisions about their future careers.

Our recent SEND Coffee Morning for Year 11 was a warm and supportive gathering, providing a platform for open discussions and sharing of insights. Parents, carers, and our dedicated SEND team came together to discuss strategies, resources, and upcoming events tailored to meet the unique needs of our students.

During the Mocks, the GCSE PE and Art Practical Mock exams marked a significant milestone for Year 11. In addition, Year 11 students successfully participated in the production of "Shrek," showcasing their creativity and teamwork. This memorable artistic endeavour highlighted the importance of the arts in our school community. We extend our gratitude to parents and guardians for supporting our students. Stay tuned for more details on upcoming artistic achievements!

Throughout the academic year, our school ethos and virtues guide our students. In Autumn, the focus was on Discernment, fostering thoughtful choices and responsible actions in both academic and personal pursuits. This virtue laid a solid foundation for our students as they progressed through their studies. In the upcoming Spring term, we shift our focus to the virtue of Hopeful, highlighting the importance of optimism, resilience, and belief in one's potential. This theme will empower Year 11 students to face challenges with confidence and embrace a positive outlook. In the Summer term, our attention will turn to the virtue of Courageous, encouraging bold steps and fortitude in overcoming obstacles.

A huge congratulations goes to Aleksandra F (11C), Emily M (11F) & Shreya F (11T), who following recent auditions have gained places in the prestigious National Youth Choir. Well done- a fantastic achievement. Recently, Simran S (11U), Sophie E (11B), Sophia B (11U), Anjardie D (11A), Eva F (11C), & Edeline N-G (11B) won in the Young Writers Wimbledon Bookfest competition, and now have their short shory/poem published in the Wimbledon BookFest's Anthology of Stories and Poems.

Next term we look forward to Brown Envelope Day where students will be receiving their mock results and full reports. Results, Reports, and sixth form applications will be the focus for discussion at Parents Evening, to ensure all students are as best prepared and supported as possible. Finally, I'd like to thank you for your continued support and partnership in your child's education. Wishing you a Happy Christmas.

Yours faithfully, Mr Mac Sweeney, **Head of Year 11**

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Students' Achievements

1 - Most Rewards:

Simran 24

Macie 20

Mollie 19

Melory 19

Congratulations to 11F who are currently leading the way with 206 Reward Points

2 - Highest Attendance:

Congratulations to 11T who lead the way with 96.42%!





Year 11 End of Mocks Celebration:

Year 11 enjoyed a fun morning watching a Christmas film and enjoying some time together to end the term! Well done for all your hard work everyone!

There have also been some other great achievements this half term, you can find these on our <u>P.E Dept Twitter</u> and <u>Instagram!</u>

Autumn B Highlights

- Year 9 Christmas Fair
- Shrek the Musical
- CAFOD non-uniform day
- Wimbledon Bookfest Winners
- Christmas Lunch
- Catholic Children's Society
 Gift Appeal







Year 11 Mocks

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Virtues: Spring Term: Hopeful, Summer Term: Courageous

Upcoming Events

January

- 6th January: Start of Spring A Term
- 10th January: Brown Envelope Day (Mock Results)
- 20th January: Holocaust Memorial Day (Honoured early)
- **22**nd **January:** Year 11 Parents' Evening, Hall (3.50-6.50pm)
- 23rd January: KS4 Drug Parental Workshop
- 28th January: Year 11 Mass of St. Angela (11:15am 12:15pm),
 Sacred Heart Church

February

- 1st February: LGBT+ History Month
- 5 th February: National Apprenticeship week
- 5th February: Webinar Social Media & Gaming, 7.00-7.30pm
- 14th February: Last Day of Term
- **24**th **February**: INSET Day
- 25th February: Start of Spring B Term

Looking Ahead

- 12th March St. Cecilia Day Concert 7.30-9.30pm
- **19th March** Multicultural Evening, 6.00-8.30pm
- 4th 12th April: Ski Trip; Passo Tonale, Italy

Please note this is not a complete list and is intended to provide a snapshot only. Events may be subject to change.



Wellbeing

Free Parental Workshops

South West London and St George's Mental Health NHS trust are running a number of free wellbeing workshops for parents / carers of secondary school aged children.

Click here for more information and to book:

Secondary/College Parents - Wellbeing Workshops | Eventbrite



Laptops & Social media/gaming

Just a polite reminder that school laptops are for school related work only. Please remind your daughters that they are not for accessing social media, gaming or web browsing non-school-related content.