



Up & Coming Year 10 & 11 Exams

Revision Tips

Create a Revision Timetable

Create a revision timetable to organise your study time, this also helps boost your motivation to revise for your exams.

Practice, Practice, Practice

Practising past papers will help you get familiar with the:

- Exam format
- Question style
- Time pressure
- Retrieve information quicker

Take Regular Study Breaks

Taking regular study breaks and exercising is proven to engaging your brain in studying and improve your exam performance in the long-run.

Understand Your Learning Style

Are you a visual, auditory, reading/writing or kinaesthetic learner? Remembering and recalling new information will become much easier once you understand your learning style.

Variety is the Spice of Life!

Mix up your study habits and methods e.g. listening to podcasts, watching documentaries, moving to new study area or even something as simple as using different colours for your study notes.

Year 11 Additional Mock Exams

27th February – 10th March



Year 10 Exams

27th March - 7th April



ATTENDANCE MATTERS - The whole school attendance for the week commencing 23rd January was **94.3%**. Congratulations to **Year 7** and **Mrs Horridge** for achieving the highest attendance percentage out of all year groups and congratulations goes to this weeks' winner, **'King'** for achieving the highest house attendance. Also, **'well done'** this week goes to **10 King** for the highest form attendance...**98.6%**! All year groups need to take special note of the attendance summary as research shows low attendance can lead to a drop in GCSE grade. **As we experience colder/wetter/windy weather, can pupils please bring coats to school to avoid getting ill and therefore not attending. Managers of Learning can always send children home if they are too ill to be in school.**

Year	Bernadette	Devereux	King	Kolbe	Romero	Teresa	Vincent	Yr.Average
7	93.3	97.7	93.3	94.3	96.5	91.9		94.5
8	97.7	86.3	98.1	94.3	92.0	97.0		94.2
9	95.4	95.7	95.9	88.4	89.6	96.2		93.5
10	92.4	96.5	98.6	88.7	94.8	93.9	91.3	93.7
11	91.7	98.5	93.2	96.5	97.6	95.8	93.2	94.0
Family Average	94.1	94.9	95.8	92.4	94.1	94.9	92.2	

Attendance	95%	90%	85%	80%
Number of days lost learning in an academic year	9.5	19	28.5	38
Number of lessons lost learning for a 6 period day	57	114	171	228

Is 95% attendance good? This means that your child has still missed nearly 10 school days in one year. Over five years that would be nearly 50 days, this is almost a school term. Research suggests that '17 missed school days a year equals a drop in a grade in GCSE achievement' - DfE



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Regular Information from the St Joseph's Community

Our theme this week is...

Racial Justice



Up & Coming Events:

Safer Internet Week

6th February

- Dragon's Den Auditions

7th February

- Dragon's Den Auditions
- Year 9 Options Meeting, 7-9pm, School Hall

8th February

- Dragon's Den Auditions
- Year 9 Savio Retreat

9th February

- Year 9 Savio Retreat

10th February

- Year 11 Interim Reports Home

This reflection comes from 'Churches Together' who has created the resources for Racial Justice Sunday (12th February 2017) for more information please visit their website.

Racial justice is justice. Racial justice involves the fair treatment of people. We use the adjective 'racial' to highlight that we are concerned about the injustices people suffer as a consequence of racist structures, racist systems, racial discrimination, racist attitudes, racial hatred and racial violence. Our central focus is justice.

Maintaining love and justice is a daily challenge that calls on us to return to God and to wait for God. On our own, we can often corrupt a quest for justice into a mission for revenge or overlook our own failings as we attack and dehumanise those unjust 'others'.

***Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.* – Romans 12: 21**

On our own, our strength and will to maintain love in the face of challenges and differences often wains and corrupts.

Justice often takes time. Those who are oppressed and treated unfairly usually have to suffer the wait for justice, which can take years, decades even centuries. William Wilberforce began to use his voice against the slave trade in 1785. In 1807, the motion to abolish the Atlantic slave trade was passed. The Slavery Abolition Act was passed in 1833, three days before Wilberforce died. Yet ... slavery continues today.

This Sunday is Racial Justice Sunday, a day which is recognised each year; racial injustices continue each year. People mistreat each other, take advantage of weakness, abuse the power they have, discriminate, debase, dehumanise and degrade and sometimes this even happens in the Church.

Are you called to create opportunities in local churches to deal honestly with the existing racist attitudes and social distance between members, to deepen and proclaim the Christian commitment to be the church where all racial groups and economic classes come together?

Jesus, You showed us how to live together in our communities, when you told us the parable of The Good Samaritan. Help us to treat each person in our community with respect and love. May we all play our part in making our school a place where everyone feels like they belong. Amen.



Careers Notice

BAE Systems Engineering Taster Weeks, Warton



I am writing to you on behalf of the team organising the 2017 Engineering Taster Weeks hosted by BAE Systems Military Air and Information Business Unit.

Following the success of previous years, we will once again be running our residential Taster Weeks in the summer of 2017. The Engineering Taster Weeks run by BAE Systems are aimed at developing young people's perceptions of engineering whilst providing a unique insight into the world of aerospace and aviation.

We will be holding two Taster Weeks:

- Monday 10th July to Friday 14th July 2017
- Monday 17th July to Friday 21nd July 2017

Both Taster Weeks will be held at BAE Systems' Warton Aerodrome in Lancashire. The application window will be opening on the 1st of February 2017 and will close on the 28th of April 2017.

Please find attached a poster for distribution around your school, and a presentation containing more information about the taster weeks. More information on the taster weeks and how to apply can be found on our website

www.baesystems.com/en/etw/warton.

If you would like some more information regarding any aspect of the above, please do not hesitate to contact us at

taster.week@baesystems.com.



FLAME @ WEMBLEY

We are inviting our pupils to travel to London to the Flame event at Wembley arena on Saturday 11th March 2017. The event is specifically for young people, it is a lively and joyful event where Faith is celebrated, with inspiring guest speakers and music throughout the day from Grammy award winning artist, Matt Redman.

We will be travelling down early Saturday morning then back to school after the event. The total cost will be £50.00 per pupil which covers transport, entry to the Flame event and insurance.

If you would like your child to take part in this trip please see Hannah the Chaplain for a letter or download one from the school website.

Places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. If you have any questions, or if parents or older siblings would also like to journey with us to this event, please don't hesitate to contact me on the school number.

I hope you will take up this exciting opportunity; it is an event not to be missed!!

Thanks, Hannah (School Chaplain)

EASTER @ 2017

SAVIO House Year 10 or above?

Are you free 13-16th April 2017

Then why not celebrate this Easter in style?

SAVIO HOUSE offer a wonderful opportunity to celebrate the Easter Season with prayer, music, reflection and lots of fun.

The cost: £50—All meals and accommodation

Email: saviooffice@salesians.org.uk

for information

