

Information Bulletin for Parents and Carers

Friday 28th June 2024



St. Wilfrid's
R.C. College

Excellence through Faith, Learning and Support

Faith:

This week in our House assemblies we have reflected on the lives of Ss Peter and Paul. Peter and Paul were ordinary people, who had made mistakes but who listened to and followed Jesus. These mistakes helped them to learn how to be better people. They dedicated their lives to sharing Jesus' message of love and forgiveness. We may be ordinary people too, but we can also try to follow Jesus and share his message.

Dear God,

Thank you for stories from the past that teach us so much.
Thank you that, even though Peter made mistakes, you still had a great plan for his life.
Help us to look for opportunities to include others.
Help us to look for ways to help and to make people happy.
Thank you that you promise to be with us in every part of our lives.

Amen

Learning:

Students of the Week

Our wonderful winners this week were:

Aidan: Eniola Ijaduola 9A2 and Iyla Scroggins 8A1

Bede: Leo McCaffery 7B1 and Stephen Raper 7B1

Cuthbert: Caliana Miah 8C2 and Sophie Whyte 9C2

Hilda: Precious Igbo 8H2 and Mary Igbo 10H1

Margaret Clitherow: Imadodosa Obaseki 7MC1 and Lacey Duffield 8MC2

Headteacher's Award: Eniola Ijaduola 9A2

Tutor Group of the Week: 7B1

Well done to all of you – an excellent achievement! Keep being the best versions of yourselves.

Music Tuition – September 2024

Our Music department offer students the opportunity to learn an instrument at school with one of our visiting tutors. Students can learn a broad range of instruments, where the cost of all lessons are subsidised and instrument hire is available. If you would like your child to receive Music tuition next academic year, please take the time to read the following letter: [Music-Tuition-September-2024-1.pdf \(st-wilfrids.org\)](#)

To register your child's interest, please complete the Microsoft Form included in the letter by Monday 8th July. All parents/carers who complete the form, will then receive communication that ParentPay is open for payment from Tuesday 9th July. In order for your child to begin their tuition in September, we would request that payment is made by Wednesday 17th July.

Celebrating Student Achievements

Well done to Yazmin Crow (8H2) who has had great success in archery recently. An outstanding performance resulted in her shooting a score of 729, setting the County record for her age!



Please continue to send your children's achievements to celebrate@st-wilfrids.org so we can congratulate them.

Support:

**Careers Education, Information, Advice and Guidance (CEIAG)
Apprenticeship Opportunities**

Northern & Yorkshire NHS Assessment Centre based in the University Hospital of Hartlepool.

The Centre has been going for 50 years this year and provides apprenticeships in Engineering & Construction to NHS Employers right across the region. They have, to date trained over 500 Apprentices with a 96% achievement rate. You can find more details about possible apprenticeship opportunities at nthsolutions.co.uk/apprenticeships/.

Norton Rose Fulbright (NRF) Insight Day – MyBigCareer

A group of our Year 10 students were fortunate enough to visit global law firm Norton Rose Fulbright on Wednesday. The aim of the day was to increase knowledge of pathways into, and careers within, law firms and to develop employability skills (interviews, project work, application writing) as well as increasing the confidence of students to demonstrate those skills.

Our students found out about NRF and the many roles within their firm as well as examples of case studies, to bring to life the work NRF do. All students then had to prepare a one minute elevator pitch with the support of NRF, to include their background and experience, which they then used to network with many of the employees within the firm. Students rounded off the day by acting as NRF employees to advise a company on where they should open their new office, culminating in a pitch to representatives from NRF who acted as the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer of 'Starfish'.

A huge thank you to MyBigCareer for providing this opportunity and the many NRF corporate volunteers who took so much of their time to interact and network with our students.





South Tyneside Young Health Ambassadors

On Thursday 27th June some of our Year 9 and Year 10 students attended a mental health and wellbeing launch event, hosted by South Tyneside Young Health Ambassadors for their campaign "What The Health Are We Talking About?!". Our students were introduced to the ambassadors who outlined their campaign as well as the practitioners who deliver a variety of services across our local area, including Matrix, Bright Futures, the school nurses service. In the afternoon, our students engaged in a variety of scenarios where they were challenged to respond to the issues using their prior knowledge of the services on offer, to provide the best support and advice possible. Our students thoroughly enjoyed the event and we would like to thank St Wilfrid's very own South Tyneside Young Health Ambassadors, Dominika and Emily, for their dedication towards mental health and wellbeing for young people in South Tyneside and for their hard work in making this event possible.

For further information about the role of the South Tyneside Young Health Ambassadors in our local area, please follow their Instagram page ([styha_insta](#)) and check out their podcast!



This article was written by our wonderful students who attend the launch event on Thursday.



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MON 22ND JULY – SUN 1ST SEPTEMBER

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Key dates / upcoming events:

- Next week is Week 1 of the timetable.
- Year 10 Sixth Form & College Taster Day – Wednesday 3rd July.
- INSET Day (no pupils in school) – Friday 5th July.

Sixth Form

Year 12 Politics



The general election 2024 North East hustings hosted by ChronicleLive (Image: Newcastle Chronicle)



18-year-old Charlie Finnigan asks a question during ChronicleLive's hustings debate (Image: Newcastle Chronicle)

The Year 12 Politics class, with Mr. Mather, formed the audience for a hustings at the offices of the Newcastle Chronicle on Thursday. A hustings is where candidates for election, debate key issues with each other, answering questions from the moderator and the audience. Candidates from across the north east, representing the five main political parties, Labour, Conservative, Liberal Democrat, Green and Reform UK, answered some probing questions on the NHS, funding new policies and the two child benefit cap. Furthermore, our very own Jude Fraser and Charlie Finnigan asked questions on the environment and policies for young people, including the controversial subject of national service, which every member of the class, when asked by Labour candidate Catherine McKinnell, said they didn't want to be forced to do. Jude, Charlie and Mia Tatum were then interviewed to appear in the Chronicle over the weekend. Both articles that have been published in the Journal and Chronicle can be seen on the links below. It was a thoroughly interesting afternoon and gave all the students a great insight into party policies which will help them in compiling their speeches for the school general election. Mr. Mather and the class would like to send our huge gratitude to all at the Journal and Newcastle Chronicle for their welcome and especially Gemma Hudson and Daniel Holland for their invitation and organisation of our visit.

Hustings article: <https://www.chroniclive.co.uk/news/north-east-news/north-east-general-election-candidates-29393548>

Interview with our students: <https://www.chroniclive.co.uk/news/north-east-news/young-people-give-general-election-29397976>

Photos courtesy of Reach PLC

Year 12 Prefects

We are delighted to have 24 Sixth Form Prefects who will work closely with our three appointed Senior Prefects to raise the profile of our fantastic Sixth Form. They will be taking an active role in inspiring our younger students during lunch times, hosting society meetings, accompanying and supporting our Year 6 students during their transition days on the 11th & 12th July and being a source of support for

the new Year 12 students who will join us in September.

Wednesday 3rd July

All Year 12 students will be studying at home on Wednesday 3rd July due to the Year 10 Taster Day. Year 12 students should use this opportunity to make amendments to their personal statements following their meetings with their tutors and to finalise the personal information section on their UCAS applications. They should continue to make improvements in the areas for development identified from their end of Year 12 assessments.

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