

Information Bulletin for Parents and Carers

Friday 12th July 2024



St. Wilfrid's
R.C. College

Excellence through Faith, Learning and Support

Faith:

This week our assemblies have focused on Thanksgiving. Our school year is coming to an end and so we gathered together as a school community to celebrate and give thanks for all the blessings we have received.

God our Father,
Our life is blessed with many good gifts.
Make us truly thankful for the gifts of our own personalities, for the gift of people who guide us and help us to grow, especially the teachers in our school.
May we be your presence in the world in how we relate to others, and in all that we say and do.

Amen.

Learning:

Students of the Week

Our wonderful winners this week were:

Aidan: Eleanor Anderson 10A1 and Grace Myers 8A1
Bede: Oliver McLaren 7B1 and Eva Ruddy 10B2
Cuthbert: Heidi Hailstone 7C1 and Isabelle Welsh 7C1
Hilda: Kate Burden 9H1 and Bryan Jolly 10H2
Margaret Clitherow: Finley Winfield 7MC1 and Taiya Scott 10MC2

Headteacher's Award: Lacey Duffield 8MC2

Tutor Group of the Week: 7B1

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

Activities Week

Monday – *Staying safe this summer!*

Tuesday – *Culture & Diversity Day!*

Wednesday – *Pink & Blue Day!*

Thursday – *St. Wilfrid's Sports Day 2024!*

Friday – *Summer Liturgy and Celebration!*

Important notices regarding Activities Week:

- Pupils can wear their St. Wilfrid's PE kit Monday-Thursday. They must wear full school uniform on Friday.
- On Wednesday, our theme is 'Pink & Blue' to raise money for the Together Forever Trust, in memory of Chloe Rutherford and Liam Curry. The colours pink and blue are synonymous with the trust therefore pupils may wear a pink or blue item, such as a t-shirt, on this day. Donations can be made to the Together Forever Trust on ParentPay or a cash donation during registration.
- School finishes at 12.10pm on Friday 19th July.

Support:

Water Safety

As we approach the end of the summer term, it is important to us to make sure that all of our pupils have an enjoyable, but most of all safe summer holiday. Each year, around 312 people drown: on average, that's one person every 28 hours, and drowning significantly increases during the summer holiday period, with teenaged and young adult males being most at risk. To help our pupils to make good decisions about their own safety in the holidays many of our pupils have been learning about drowning prevention, and the RLSS UK, the drowning prevention charity, have asked us to share these important water safety tips with you to help you and your family to stay safe this summer:

1. Make sure your children know how to swim and basic water safety skills

The holidays are a great time to have some catch up lessons or join a Rookie Lifeguard or lifesaving class.

2. Look for lifeguards everywhere you go

Safety standards vary around the world, and holiday resort pools and beaches often don't have lifeguards, or lifeguards trained to UK standards. If possible, only swim where there are lifeguards. Keep children under constant supervision, it only takes a few seconds to drown, and the lifeguards have a lot more people to supervise than you do.

3. Lakes, quarries, rivers, reservoirs and the sea

These water sites claim many lives during the summer months, largely due to the water temperatures remaining very cold once you are slightly away from the edge. Never swim at these locations unless it is part of a regulated outdoor activity.

4. Follow the Water Safety Code

Whenever you are around water:

- **Stop and think** - look for the dangers, always read the signs
- **Stay together** - Never swim alone. Always go with friends or family.

In an Emergency:

- **Call 999** or 112 and shout for help
- **Float** - if you fall in, float or swim on your back. Throw something in that floats to anyone who falls in

Have a very fun, and very safe summer holiday.

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Key dates / upcoming events:

- Next week is Activities Week. All students will follow a bespoke timetable each day.
- Tuesday 3rd September 2024
 - Year 7 – 8.40am start.
 - Year 11 – 11am start.
 - Year 12 – 12.25pm start.
- Wednesday 4th September 2024
 - All year groups – 8.40am start.

Sixth Form

Parents of Year 12 will be receiving their annual written reports through the post next week. Please use this to support the discussion with your child to set targets to work on during the summer to address the areas for development in each of their subjects. This report will highlight the strengths and areas for development necessary to make a smooth transition to Year 13. We hope that you find this report useful.

Year 12 Activities Week

Year 12 Activities Week will include:

Monday 15th July – All Year 12 students are visiting Robinson Library to explore the resources on offer and refine their research and referencing skills. They will all become a member of the library and can visit as many times as they wish. This will be an excellent resource that they can use to support their academic studies and research for their EPQ qualification.

Tuesday 16th July - Year 12 will be working with St John's ambulance for a vital First Aid session. They will then be working with Mike, our Head Chef, to learn how to cook some meals for when they transition to university. They will also have the opportunity to finalise their UCAS applications.

Wednesday 17th July – Pink and Blue day to support the Together Forever Foundation.

Thursday 18th July – Sixth Form Sports Day!

Friday 19th July – End of Year celebrations. All students to be in Columba uniform please.

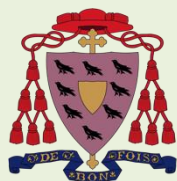
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