



# Bishop Douglass Catholic School Parent Newsletter

*In Pursuit of Excellence*

8th June 2018

## *INTRODUCTION*

Thank you to all parents of Year 8 children for your attendance at the final parents' evening for the year. We hope you found the information provided by your child's teachers beneficial for both you and your child going forward into the mock examinations and the year ahead.

Please remember that examinations for Years 7 to 10 students commence the week beginning the 25th June. We have included the exam timetable for your information and students have been given their own copy. Please encourage your child to revise. The information on SAM learning should be a useful additional tool.

Examinations for Year 11 have (mostly) finished—well done to all. We are looking forward to seeing them receive their leaving certificates next week. Parents are reminded that the celebration service starts at 2.30pm.

## *YEAR 10 TRIP TO QUEEN MARY UNIVERSITY*

The Year 10 Computer Science class visited Queen Mary University, University of London on Thursday 7th June. Students took part in a full day workshop in web programming and databases led by Dr Paulo Oliva. Our students were able to use their Python programming skills and the knowledge of databases and apply this to the SQL database they were manipulating. This is part of a third year project taught at the University.

During their visit students also toured the campus and used facilities offered by the School of Computing and Electronic Engineering. They were also able to interact with a student at the university as well as having a Q & A session with the Admissions Officer.

In conclusion, this was a fantastic out-of-classroom learning experience for the students and provided more insight into the university application process.

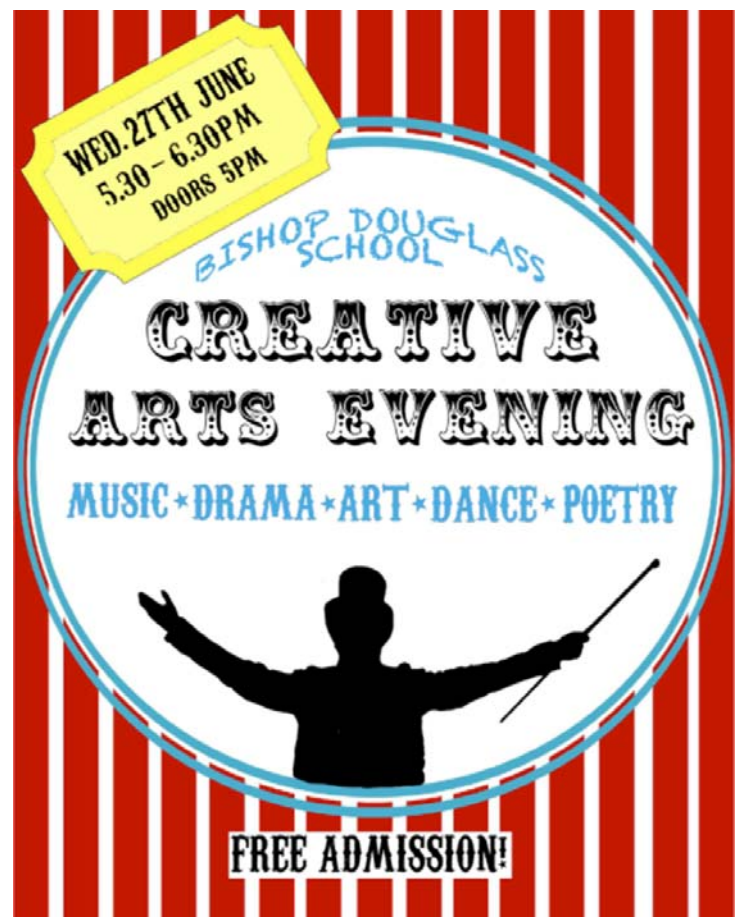
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## *FORTHCOMING EVENTS*

Tuesday 19th June—Thursday 21st June: AS Biology trip
Thursday 21st June—Year 11 Graduation Service starting at 2.30pm
Wednesday 27th June—Creative Arts Evening
Friday 29th June—6th Form Graduation party
Wednesday 4th July: Cambridge University Open Day for selected Year 12 students
9th—13th July: Wider Horizons Week

## *BISHOP DOUGLASS CREATIVE ARTS EVENING*

Bishop Douglass School Creative Arts Evening will take place at 5:30—6:30. Admission is free so come along to a wonderful night filled with music, drama, art, dance and poetry.





### THIS WEEK'S TOP EPRAISE WINNERS

- Year 7:** Roya Shaterian (7W) (+65)
- Year 8:** Tara Dev (8A) (+40)
- Year 9:** Arber Malaj (9M) (+25)
- Year 10:** Artin Gharebaghi (10C) and Jaime Henao-Pardo (10C) (+30)
- Year 12:** Natalie Gamage (12A) and Yuvan Sawhney (12C) (+5)

### MATHS CHALLENGE



#### Maths Challenge

Multiply two numbers together and then add or subtract a third number to reach the target answer of 60. The three numbers used in each calculation must all be digits from 1-9 and they can be repeated.

As an example, one way of making 60 is  $(9 \times 6) + 6$ , can you find the other THREE ways?

[Note:  $(9 \times 6) + 6$  and  $(6 \times 9) + 6$  counts as the same way]

See Madam Gant with your answers to win 

### WORDS OF THE WEEK

**Monday – Leverage – Noun:** 1. Power to influence people and get the results you want.  
(Finance) The relationship between the amount of money that a company owes to banks and the value of the company. 2. The exertion of force by means of a lever.

**Verb:** Use (something) to maximum advantage.

- His position as Mayor affords him **leverage** to get things done through attending committee meetings.
- He tried to push the door open, but didn't have sufficient **leverage**.

**Tuesday – Cursory – Adjective:** Hasty and therefore not thorough or detailed. Not paying attention.

- Samantha gave the book a **cursory** glance; it wasn't about a topic she was remotely interested in.
- James gave a curt, **cursory** reply to the teacher, which resulted in a further sanction.

**Wednesday – Culminate - Verb:** To reach the end, climax or point of highest development.

- The day had been bad enough, but to **culminate** in a torrential downpour, when I had forgotten my umbrella really was the last straw!
- A series of financial disasters **culminated** in the collapse of the country's largest bank.

**Thursday – Threshold – Noun:** 1. A point of entry. A strip of wood or stone forming the bottom of a doorway and crossed in entering a house or room. 2. The intensity/magnitude that must be exceeded for a certain reaction, result or condition to occur.

- It used to be a tradition for a groom to carry his new bride over the **threshold** of their new home.
- Emily was on the **threshold** of a dazzling career, it was well deserved after many years of hard work and dedication.

**Friday – Clemency – Noun:** Mercy; lenience.

- His bid for **clemency** failed despite frantic lobbying by his supporters.
- The judge decided to use **clemency** in sentencing because the accused had already demonstrated regret for his crime by attempting to pay back the victim.

**EXAMS FOR YEAR 7 TO YEAR 11**

From the week beginning 25th June, exams for year 7 to year 10 will commence. Enclosed in this newsletter is the exam timetable along with guidance on how to access SAM Learning on the following page. Please encourage students to activity use this service and revise in preparation for this exam period.

**Years 7, 8, 9 and 10 Exam Timetable - Week beginning 25th June 2018**

Time	MONDAY 25.6.18	TUESDAY 26.6.18	WEDNESDAY 27.6.18	THURSDAY 28.6.18	FRIDAY 29.6.18
<b>Period 1 &amp; Period 2</b> All Students <b>1 hour 30 mins</b> 9.10-11.10	<b>YEAR 7 &amp; 8</b> MATHS Non-Calculator <b>1 hour 30 mins</b>	YEAR 7 & 8 English <b>1 hour 45 mins</b>  Year 10 Opt D Computer Science <b>1 hour</b>	<b>YEAR 9 &amp; 10</b> MATHS <u>Cal</u> - <u>cul</u> - <u>ator</u> All students <b>1hour 30 mins</b>	<b>YEAR 10</b> Geography and History <b>1hour 15 mins</b>	<b>YEAR 9 &amp; 10</b> ENGLISH LITERATURE <b>1 hour</b>  Lesson 2 as normal
<b>Period 3 &amp; Period 4</b> All students <b>1hour 30 mins</b> 11.30 -1.30	<b>YEAR 9 &amp; 10</b> MATHS Non-Calculator All students <b>1hour 30 mins</b>	<b>YEAR 9 &amp; 10</b> ENGLISH LANGUAGE Paper 1 <b>1 hour 45 mins</b>	<b>YEAR 9 and 10</b> SCIENCE <b>1 hour</b>	<b>YEAR 9</b> HISTORY AND GEOGRAPHY <b>1 hour</b>  Year 10 Opt D Computer Science <b>1 hour</b>	<b>YEAR 7 &amp; 8</b> MATHS <u>Calcu</u> - <u>lato</u> <b>1hour 30 mins</b>  YEAR 10 Sociology <b>1hr 30 mins Soc</b>
<b>Period 5</b> Science 2.10-3.10 <b>1 hour</b>	<b>YEAR 7 and 8</b> Science <b>1 hour</b>	<b>YEAR 10</b> Science <b>1 hour</b>	<b>YEAR 7 and 8</b> RE <b>1 hour</b>	<b>Year 9 &amp; 10</b> RE for Year 9 Science for Year 10 <b>1 hour</b> Y8 XS	<b>Lesson 5</b> as normal

## EXTRA-CURRICULAR AND STUDY SUPPORT

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Before School 8.00-8.45am</b>	<b>Homework Support</b> A1.1 <b>Independent Study</b> Library <b>Breakfast Club</b> Hall – <i>free breakfast before 8.20am</i> <b>Sage Club</b>	<b>Homework Support</b> A1.1 <b>Independent Study</b> Library <b>Breakfast Club</b> Hall – <i>free breakfast before 8.20am</i>	<b>Homework Support</b> A1.1 <b>Independent Study</b> Library <b>Breakfast Club</b> Hall – <i>free breakfast before 8.20am</i>	<b>Homework Support</b> A1.1 <b>Independent Study</b> Library <b>Breakfast Club</b> Hall – <i>free breakfast before 8.20am</i>	<b>Homework Support</b> A1.1 <b>Independent Study</b> Library <b>Breakfast Club</b> Hall – <i>free breakfast before 8.20am</i>
<b>Lunchtime 1.30-2pm</b>	<b>Homework Support</b> A1.1 <b>Independent Study</b> Library	<b>Homework Support</b> A1.1 <b>Independent Study</b> Library	<b>Homework Support</b> A1.1 <b>Independent Study</b> Library	<b>Homework Support</b> A1.1 <b>Independent Study</b> Library	<b>Homework Support</b> A1.1 <b>Independent Study</b> Library
<b>After School 3.10-6pm</b>	<b>Support</b> A1.1 (To 4:10) <b>Evening Study</b> <b>Library</b> *Hot meal served at 5.45pm	<b>Homework Support</b> A1.1 (To 4:10) <b>Evening Study</b> <b>Library</b> *Hot meal served at 5.45pm	<b>Homework Support</b> A1.1 (To 4:10) <b>Evening Study</b> <b>Library</b> *Hot meal served at 5.45pm	<b>Homework Support</b> A1.1 (To 4:10) <b>Evening Study</b> <b>Library</b> *Hot meal served at 5.45pm	<b>Homework Support</b> A1.1 (To 4:10)

## EXTRA-CURRICULAR CLUBS – WHOLE SCHOOL:

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Lunchtime 1.30-2pm</b>	<b>Fitness Club</b> Fitness Suite <b>Basketball</b> Basketball Courts	<b>Fitness Club</b> Fitness Suite <b>Basketball</b> Basketball Courts <b>KS3 Arts Club</b> T1.3 <b>Choir</b> for Years 7 & 8 in E0.6	<b>Fitness Club</b> Fitness Suite <b>Basketball</b> Basketball Courts Film Club Y7&8 B3.2	<b>Fitness Club</b> Fitness Suite <b>Gardening Club</b> S0.7 <b>Geography club</b> for Years 7&8 <b>Choir</b> for Years 10, 11 & Sixth Form in E0.6	<b>Fitness Club</b> Fitness Suite
<b>After School 3.10-4.10pm</b>	<b>Bishop Douglass Youth Club (BDYC)</b> Sports Hall *Runs until 5:30pm <b>STEM Club</b> S0.5 <b>Drama Club</b> Drama Studio <b>Orchestra</b> Music Dept <b>Trampoline Club</b> Dance Studio	<b>Music practice</b> Music Dept.	<b>Rock School</b> Music Dept. <b>Wednesday club (girls only)</b> Badminton, basketball, fitness, netball/football (Sports Hall)	<b>Dance Club</b> Dance Studio  <b>Gospel Choir</b> Music Dept.	<b>Fitness Club</b> Fitness Suite  <b>Chess Club</b> S0.1