



Bishop Douglass Catholic School Parent Newsletter

In Pursuit of Excellence

21st September 2018

INTRODUCTION

We have well and truly settled back into the school routine with mock exams being successfully completed, interventions for senior students having started this week, and after school activities starting to take place. The list of clubs and extra-curricular activities is on page 3 of this newsletter and we also try include any sporting fixtures taking place in the week to come.

A very successful Year 7 Parents' Information evening took place on Wednesday this week. Thank you to all parents who attended. We hope you all have a restful weekend.

SPIRITUALITY MATTERS

***"So the last will be first, and the first will be last."
(Matthew 20:16)***

This Gospel explains how God wants us to live our lives. By this, Jesus was not insisting that we live our lives in poverty to secure our place in heaven, but rather teaches Christians that God, who sees the heart of all, will reward accordingly. The disciples are an example of those who may be first, as they gave up everything to follow Christ.

This week let us be reminded of this example, and allow our minds to concentrate on what truly matters in life. It is not about gaining the most important riches on earth, a new car, new phone, the latest pair of trainers. We are taught to live our lives as Jesus lived his, making sacrifices to help those around us.

143 BUS ROUTE DISRUPTION

TfL have advised that the 143 bus route will be stopping at Highgate Village, North Road from Saturday 22nd September to Tuesday 25th September, due to a road closure on the route. The end date may change as works progress.

PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION (BDPTA)

The BD PTA will be meeting on **Tuesday 25th September at 5pm** in the classroom **A2.1**. Snacks and drinks will be provided.

Everyone is welcome. I hope to see you there.

Madam A Wejknis

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday 25th September, 5pm: PTA meeting A2.1
Wednesday 26th September: school closes at 1.30pm
Thursday 27th September: Open Morning tours and Open Evening
Monday 1st-Friday 5th October: Rome trip
Wednesday 17th October: Parent Forum 7pm
Friday 19th October: INSET day
Half Term: 22nd October—26th October (inclusive)

BEIJING TRIP 2019

Following the success of the 2017 Beijing trip, Bishop Douglass together with St Thomas More School, St George's School and Salvatorian College will be taking part in an arts and culture visit to Beijing, China. The trip will be for 7 days departing in October 2019.

If you are interested in this trip, please have your child collect a letter from Student Services.



NOTICE OF EARLY CLOSURE

Please note that the school will be closing at 1.30 on Wednesday 26th September in order to prepare for the Open Evening the following evening.

FOOTBALL FIXTURES

There are a number of football fixtures taking place this coming week:

Monday: Year 7 v Compton School @ Compton; and **Year 9** v Compton @ BD

Wednesday: Year 8 v Compton School @ Compton

Thursday: Year 7 v Ashmole—venue to be confirmed.

All matches will start as soon as possible after school unless otherwise advised. Those travelling to other venues should return to school between 5pm-5.30pm.



*THIS WEEK'S TOP EPRAISE WINNERS***Year 7:** Boduinor Bitalo (7W) & Lilly Bronczyk (7W) (+40)**Year 8:** Eden Layne (8F) (+30)**Year 9:** Rachel Ogunnimo (9A) (+25)**Year 10:** Lucas Gomes (10W) & Molly Palmer (10W) (+20)**Year 11:** Lordy Ngombo (11O) & Vijesh D'Souza (11C) (+25)**Year 12:** Sarah Kneer (12S) & Filip Kocik (12S) (+15)**Year 13:** Panna Zsoldos (13W) (+20)*YEAR 7 FOOTBALL – MATCH REPORT*

It was a tough task selecting a squad for the first game of the year, after over 30 pupils joined the trials last week. With places still very much up for grabs, the starting squad travelled to St Andrews for their opening game of the season.

On a surprisingly sunny September afternoon, BD dominated early in a fast-paced game although they weren't able to find the net. Against the run of play, St Andrews scored with a fine strike from the opposition attacker. Determined not to let their heads drop, **Kento Shigemura** and **Luca Garrido** combined brilliantly in midfield and **Ryan Inyinbor** and **Randell Kaiyewu** were both solid in defence as the first half ended BD 0—1 St Andrews. The second half had both sides fired up going for the win, and **Nathan Tsegaye** made a superb save tipping a challenging shot over the bar.

The breakthrough BD were searching for came from some fine individual play from the captain, **Joseph Fanokun**, to go past defenders and score. Despite both teams having other chances, the score remained at 1-1.

Man of the match was **Joseph Fanokun**. Congratulations to the squad: Nathan Tsegaye, Ryan Inyinbor, Joseph Fanokun, Randell Kaiyewu, Luca Garrido, Kento Shigemura, Gabriel Aversani Gil, Mikhail Rose, Gabriel Teixeira, Nimrod Neftalem, Christopher Quinonez-Paz, Tre-Kwan McPhearson and Hamza Jazeer Ali.

Mr Hart
Head of Year 11

WORDS OF THE WEEK

Monday – Deduce – Verb: To arrive at (a fact or a conclusion) by reasoning; draw a logical conclusion:

- The detective asked his team what they could **deduce** from the evidence.
- I **deduce** from the simple observation of your behaviour that you are trying to hide something from me.

Tuesday – Aspersion – Noun: An attack on the reputation or integrity of someone or something:

- I was wrong to cast **aspersions** on her character; I had not met her and was led astray by scurrilous newspaper articles.
- Jack's political rival cast an **aspersion** against him right before the election.

Wednesday – Virulent – Adjective: (of a disease or poison) Extremely severe or harmful in its effects; Bitterly hostile:

- Janet has a **virulent** flu strain and is being kept in isolation at the hospital.
- She is a **virulent** critic of US foreign policy.

Thursday – Melee – Noun: A confused fight or scuffle; A confused crowd of people

- Several people were hurt in the **melee**.
- It was difficult to keep track of the children at the concert due to the **melee** of the audience.

Friday – Consign – Verb: to give, transfer, or deliver into the hands or control of another; to commit, especially to a final destination or fate - a writer consigned to oblivion /consign a body to the grave:

- He was another minor poet, perhaps unfairly **consigned** to oblivion.
- After the financial disaster, she was **consigned** to a life of poverty.
- My first computer has been **consigned** to the scrap heap.

SUPERVISED EVENING STUDY

This takes place from 3.10 – 5.45 pm every Monday-Thursday. Pupils can use the Library at this time for doing homework or reading. Pupils are expected to work in silence. At 5.45 pm, a meal is provided, free of charge, for all pupils attending the Evening Study session. After this, the pupils are dismissed for home.



EXTRA-CURRICULAR AND STUDY SUPPORT

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Before School 8.00-8.45am	Homework Support A1.1 Handwriting Club Library 8.45am Independent Study —Library Breakfast Club Hall – free breakfast before 8.20am	Homework Support A1.1 Handwriting Club Library 8.45am Independent Study -Library Breakfast Club Hall – free breakfast before 8.20am	Homework Support A1.1 Handwriting Club Library 8.45am Independent Study —Library Breakfast Club Hall – free breakfast before 8.20am	Homework Support A1.1 Social skills Y7 A1.2 8.45 Independent Study —Library Breakfast Club Hall – free breakfast before 8.20am	Homework Support A1.1 Social Skills Y8 A1.2 8.45am Independent Study —Library Breakfast Club Hall – free breakfast before 8.20am
Lunchtime 1.30-2pm	Homework Support A1.1 Maths Club A1.2	Homework Support A1.1 Maths Club A1.2	Homework Support A1.1 Maths Club A1.2	Homework Support A1.1 Maths Club A1.2	Homework Support A1.1 Maths Club A1.2
After School 3.10-6pm	Homework Support A1.1 (until 4:10) Evening Study Library *Hot meal served at 5.45pm	Homework Support A1.1 (until 4:10) Evening Study Library *Hot meal served at 5.45pm	Homework Support A1.1 (until 4:10) Evening Study Library *Hot meal served at 5.45pm	Homework Support A1.1 (until 4:10) Evening Study Library *Hot meal served at 5.45pm	Homework Support A1.1 (until 4.10)

EXTRA-CURRICULAR CLUBS/ACTIVITIES:

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Lunchtime 1.30-2pm	Fitness Club Fitness Suite Basketball Club	Fitness Club Fitness Suite Basketball Club Choir E0.6	Salsa/Bachata dance A3.3	Fitness Club Fitness Suite Basketball Club Senior Choir —E0.6 Y11 Anime Club C3.1	Fitness Club Fitness Suite Basketball Club KS3 Art Club T1.2
After School 3.10-4.10pm	Drama Club — E0.4 Lord of the Flies rehearsals (3.10-4.30pm) Orchestra —E0.6 Fixtures: Y7 football v Compton @ Compton (Mr Hart) Y9 football v Compton @ BD (Mr Asaro)	.	Music practice Club —E corridor KS3: Football Basketball Fitness KS4 & 5: (from 4.10) Basketball, Fitness Drama Club Rehearsals (see Monday)—E0.4 Fitness Club —Fitness Suite Fixture: Y8 football v Compton @ Compton (Mr O'Brien)	Dance club: (until 4.30) Dance Studio (3.10-4.30pm) School Choir —E0.6 Fixture: Year 7 football v Ashmole @ Venue TBC (Mr Hart)	Chess Club —S0.1 Music Appreciation —E0.6 (until 3.30pm)