

St Francis Xavier's College

SFXtra Information for Parents

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Leadership Message

Welcome to our second edition of the parent bulletin, it was lovely to hear that so many of you enjoyed our first edition. We are keen to keep parents more informed about what is going on in our College community. We want to share important information with you and for you to also see some of the positive things that are happening here at SFX.

Attendance

Whilst we know this year has been extremely challenging with attendance overall, we can keep focussing on the week by week attendance by ensuring each pupil strives for 100% each week. The figures below are far too low and we would like parents to help us significantly improve this by ensuring your son/daughter attends every day.

W/C 10th May:

Year 7 = 93.8%

Year 8 = 90.2%

Year 9 =86.2%

Year 10 = 91%

Year 11 = 88.7%

Year 12 = 90.8%

Year 13 = 90.6%

Best form KS3 = 8 Briant

Best form KS4 = 11 Briant & 11 Campion

Best form KS5 = 12 Almond

W/C 17th May:

Year 7 = 93.8%

Year 8 = 92.2%

Year 9 = 88.6%

Year 10 = 90.2%

Year 11 = 91.6%

Year 12 = 91.7%

Year 13 = 85.6%

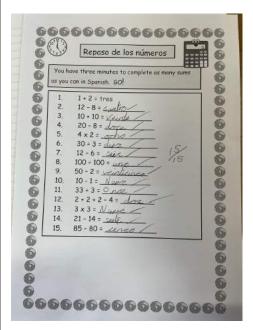
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Best form KS5 = 12 Kemble

Curriculum





This week in Spanish Y7 have been learning to tell the time, so that they can describe what time they do things as part of their daily routine.

In order to support numeracy across the curriculum they completed some sums where they had to write out the answer in full Spanish. After learning how to tell the time on the hour the students worked in pairs to ask the question "¿Qué hora es?" (what time is it?) and give the correct answers.

We then learnt how to say "past" the hour, which was then added on to earlier learning. Some students also progressed on to telling the time "to" the hour - which will all be recapped in next week's strong starter."

Careers

<u>Careers Fair</u> – all being well with restrictions lifting in June, we are currently booking for many visitors to come into the school hall on 1st July from local businesses, colleges and universities. All students will be given the opportunity to visit the careers fair to ask questions and find out more about careers they have an interest in or possibly be inspired by something they hadn't considered before.

We would welcome parental support with this, if you would be willing to attend for a day and share any labour market information about your career area. If you or a colleague could help please contact Mr Daniels on a.daniels@sfx1842.org for more information and to arrange this.

Mock Interviews – Year 10

Year 10s have been practising writing application forms / CVs as part of their careers sessions during PSHCE. They will get an opportunity during assessment week to write a final draft of the application / CV which will then be used on 28th and 29th June when employers, college and university staff will come into school to give them a 15/20 minute experience of what an interview is like based on their career interests, skills and qualities in their application form.

Again, parental support with this would be appreciated, please contact Mr Daniels on a.daniels@sfx1842.org if you think you could support for a day or even half a day.

Mass of New Beginnings & Growth

On Thursday 20th May staff, pupils and governors celebrated face to face Mass with Fr Matthew to celebrate New Beginnings and the start of Mr Hayes' headship.

It was a lovely opportunity to welcome our wider school community back into SFX for collective worship and remind ourselves, through the celebration of the Eucharist, of our fundamental, core purpose as a catholic community called to serve and be witness to the gospel values.

The mass ended with a reflection read by Mr Evans which is shown in the picture, "we are prophets of a future not our own."

We Are Prophets of a Future Not Our Own Archbishop Oscar Romero

It helps, now and then, to step back and take the long view. The Kingdom is not only beyond our efforts, It is beyond our vision. We accomplish in our lifetime only a tiny fraction of the magnificent enterprise that is God's work. We plant seeds that one day will grow. We water seeds already planted, knowing that they hold future promise. We cannot do everything and there is a sense of liberation in realizing that. This enables us to do something, and do it very well. It may be incomplete, but it is a beginning, a step along the way, an opportunity for God's grade to enter and do the rest. We may never see the end results, but that is the difference between the master builders. and the worker. We are workers, not master builders, ministers, not messiahs.

We are prophets of a future not our own.

Extra Curricular Activities

Congratulations to our Year 8 football team who won the Liverpool Cup Tournament on Friday 14th May. After a 0-0 draw in the first game against Calderstones the team were outstanding in defeating St Hilda's, De La Salle, Bluecoat, Broadgreen and Cardinal Heenan to win the trophy.

Congratulations to all the players involved and a huge thank you to Mr Kelly for organising.

Squad: Sean Preston, DJ Esdaille, Scott Barnett, Harry Deakin, Lucas Ellis, Mikey Garnell, Louis Poland, Seven Downey, Charlie Ellis & Roman Kenny.





Congratulations to Mr Glover!



Congratulations to our very own Maths teacher, Head of Year 11 and photographer Mr Glover.

His "on your doorstep" image from the first lockdown has been chosen as part of the final 100 Hold Still images and will become part of the National Portrait Gallery's Collection and will feature in the Hold Still book.

The proceeds from the sale of the book will be split between Mind charity and National Portrait Gallery, helping to support arts and mental health projects across the UK.



Mr Glover's "on your doorstep" image has also appeared on the famous screen in Piccadilly Circus, London.







Photos taken by David Parry.

Please find the link below to donate to Mr Glover's "on your doorstep" project: https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/onyourdoorstep

Standards



Top 10 Xaverian Standards

Xaverians are DIFFERENT
Xaverians want to make a DIFFERENCE
Xaverians have a PLAN
Xaverians NEVER GIVE UP
Xaverians know THEIR WORTH
Xaverians look after THEMSELVES
Xaverians care for OTHERS
Xaverians PLAY FAIR
Xaverians WIN
Xaverians know when to ask for HELP

We are Xaverians

School Shoes

There is always much debate when it comes to school shoes. We always know the shops that try and sell school shoes that are clearly trainers. At SFX all school shoes must be formal, smart, all black shoes. This means no pump or trainer style footwear must be worn. Below are a couple of images of shoes that are **NOT** allowed to be worn in school;



All pupils must be in the correct footwear when they return after May half term.

Equipment

All pupils should be fully equipped for school each day, this includes a scientific calculator, protractor and compass. Pencil cases filled with all the equipment they need can be purchased on parent pay for £1.55 and scientific calculators for £7.15.





Other Important Information

- Teacher Assessed Grades 2021
- JCQ Guidance for Students and Parents of Year 11 and 13
- Year 7 Parents Evening takes place on Thursday 10th June 3:30-7pm. Parents can book appointments from 1pm on Wednesday 26th May using the link below: https://stfrancisxavierscollege.schoolcloud.co.uk/
- Year 7-9 Assessment Week will start on Wed 16th June and Year 10 & 12
 Assessment Week is W/C 14th June, click on the link below the assessments timetable: <u>Assessments June 2021</u>

Please sign up to our Your School Lottery page and support the school's PTA for just £1 a week. Each week, one player from our school community wins upwards of £20 as well as all entries being in for the big prize of £25000 nationally. Your School Lottery has raised over £8000 for the PTA in less than 5 years, please help us keep this going! New members who sign up also have a chance of winning a £100 voucher for B&Q.

Sign up at: www.yourschoollottery.co.uk and search for St Francis Xavier's College.



- Help us raise essential school funds
- Support our lottery from just £1 a week
 Guaranteed cash prize every week
- Win up to £25,000

yourschoollottery.co.uk

Old Xaverians Women's Cricket team train at 6pm on Wednesday evening at SFX



Safeguarding

Please make use of the <u>Safeguarding Resource Hub</u> which holds a wealth of information for all ages about the safeguarding of young people.

Safeguarding Team @ SFX



Mr Hayes Headteacher



Mr Evans
Deputy Headteacher
Designated Safeguarding Lead



Miss Crickett Student Safeguarding Lead



Ms Cain
Deputy Student Safeguarding
Lead



Miss Ryan School Counsellor



Mrs Dudley Inclusion / Pastoral Manager



Miss Fitzsimons Head of Lower School



Miss Lindop Head of Middle School



Miss Arends Head of Upper School



Mrs Butcher Attendance Officer

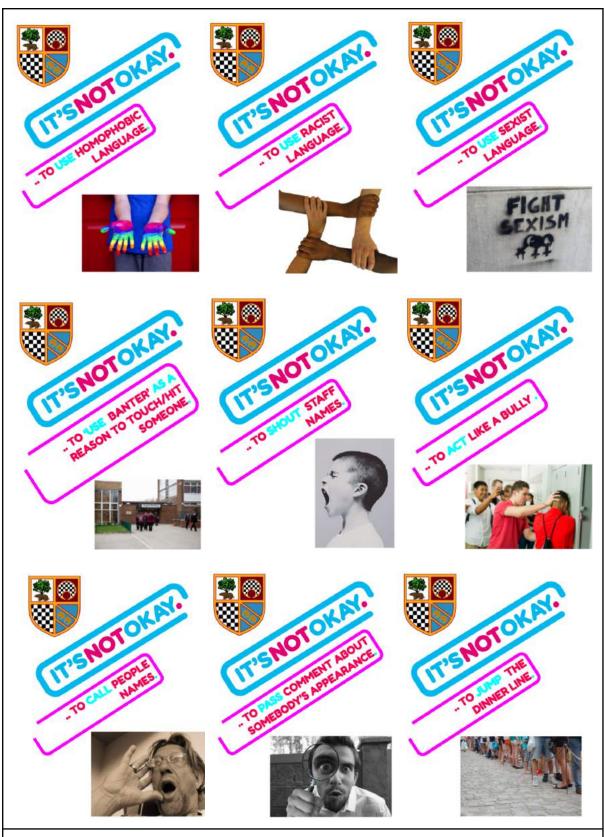


Miss McDonald SENCO



Mrs Coleman Safeguarding Link Governor

If you have any safeguarding concerns please speak to one of us, we are here to help



The above posters show a campaign we are holding in school this coming term to work with our students on the standards we expect from them and what we should expect from others. Some of the posters are shown above. Please talk through these with your son(s)/daughter so we are all clear on what is and what

Calendar Items

- Half term W/C 31st May
- Year 7 Parents Evening Thursday 10th June
- Year 7-9 Assessment Week Will start earlier than planned on Wed 16th June
- Year 10 & 12 Assessment Week W/C 14th June
- School Sports Week W/C 28th June
- Careers Fair 1st July

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