

Dear Parents and Carers,

Today we say goodbye to Mrs Nokes. All members of the sixth form community will know how integral to The New Sixth Mrs Nokes has become in her four years with us. Despite her protestations that she didn't want any fuss, students organised a beautiful card and cake for her to mark her last day as our sixth form administrator. Over the years, it has become evident that Mrs Nokes is an integral part of everything that we do; her role is all encompassing, from receptionist to data manager to counsellor (for staff and students!), and she will always be remembered for her kindness and good humour. The stream of students coming to the LRC desk today to wish her well and say their goodbyes is testament to how valued she is to us all. As she embarks on a new chapter that will afford her more time to spend with family and to explore her many gifts and talents, we all wish her the very best of luck. Personally I am sad to say goodbye to a treasured colleague but I am ever grateful to have made a true friend.

Mrs Lucy Staves, Director of Sixth Form



LET'S CELEBRATE

Ed P (Y12) - Access to Bristol

Huge congratulations to Ed P (Y12) who was accepted on the Access to Bristol programme for Chemistry. It was an extremely competitive process this year with over 1500 applications for just 549 places; Ed will have the opportunity to experience what it would be like to study Chemistry at Bristol as well as getting a guaranteed contextual offer/ interview next year. Well done!

Dates for your Diary

November

Fri 23 Nov	Y13 Tutor Evening 3:30—4:30
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December

Fri 18 Dec	End of Term 2
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January

Tues 5 Jan	Start of Term 3—Week A
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TBC	Y12 and Y13 Exams
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BEN SAUNDERS FOUNDATION



The Ben Saunders Foundation was set up by our 18 year old son Ben just before he died of cancer in August 2020. Ben was football mad and loved nothing better than to watch football 24/7. So far we have received support from local and national businesses as well as receiving sports shirts from dozens of professional sporting clubs

The aim of the foundation is to support children and young adults with cancer as they go through their treatments. We have purchased a holiday home in the Cotswolds so that other children and young adults who are diagnosed with cancer are able to have a free holiday to make precious memories. Ben had a holiday paid for him and his friends by a charity just a few weeks before he died and this made him temporarily very happy.

To date we have raised £75,000 towards our overall initial target of £100,000. I am writing to every football league club and business that may be able to help.

More information can be found at www.bensaundersfoundation.org

Please help keep my sons memory alive.

Chaplaincy Thoughts

After a week of infighting, rambling, accusations and a serious lack of cohesion there is still no end to the US presidential vote. Whilst the Democrats claim victory, Donald Trump continues to insist there is widespread fraud and uses his wealth to file legal challenges in places he's lost. For those of you who are not fans of politics, it could help justify why you have no interest. Whilst for the politics fans amongst us, it could even test your faith in democracy. I therefore thought I'd share this image I came across which tries to remind us of the positives of politicians and maybe some of the real reasons why so many people feel the calling to serve others in politics. It's based on Jesus' famous *Sermon on the Mount*.

BEATITUDES OF THE POLITICIAN

CARDINAL FRANÇOIS-XAVIER NGUYỄN VĂN THUAN

BLESSED BE THE POLITICIAN WITH A LOFTY SENSE AND DEEP UNDERSTANDING OF HIS ROLE.

BLESSED BE THE POLITICIAN WHO PERSONALLY EXEMPLIFIES CREDIBILITY.

BLESSED BE THE POLITICIAN WHO WORKS FOR THE COMMON GOOD AND NOT HIS OR HER OWN INTEREST.

BLESSED BE THE POLITICIAN WHO REMAINS CONSISTENT.

BLESSED BE THE POLITICIAN WHO WORKS FOR UNITY.

BLESSED BE THE POLITICIAN WHO WORKS TO ACCOMPLISH RADICAL CHANGE.

BLESSED BE THE POLITICIAN WHO IS CAPABLE OF LISTENING.

BLESSED BE THE POLITICIAN WHO IS WITHOUT FEAR

Catholic Live

Matt Robinson, Chaplain

Psychology Revision

Revision Timetable for Y13D

Monday 16th November - Social Influence revision (Tuke)
Monday 23rd November - Biopsychology (Brooks)
Monday 30th November - Attachment (Tuke)
Monday 7th December - Psychopathology (Brooks)
Tuesday 15th December - Memory (Tuke)

PRAYER FOR WORLD PEACE



O LORD GOD, WE PRAY FOR PEACE & LOVE IN ALL THE NATIONS, AMONG ALL THE PEOPLE THAT ALL WARS AND HATRED WILL END. WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO SUFFER FROM WAR, INJUSTICE, & INTOLERANCE, FOR THE CHILDREN, YOUNG PEOPLE, THE POOR & NEGLECTED ONES. WE PRAY FOR PEACE IN OUR LIFE, LANDS, NATIONS, FAMILIES & IN OUR HEARTS. LORD GIVE US WORLD PEACE. WE ASK YOUR MERCY IN THE NAME OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST. AMEN.

MS OFFICE for free

Microsoft | Education

Get started with Office 365 for free. Students at Saint Gregory's are eligible to sign up for Office 365 Education for free including Word, Excel, PowerPoint, OneNote and MS Teams. Follow this link to get started.

<https://www.microsoft.com/en-gb/education/products/office>

St Gregs Cook Book

The PTFA are raising funds, this time by creating a Saint Greg's Cook Book. We know there are some great cooks among us so if you have any tried and tested recipes to recommend please send them in. Any photographs of the finished dish would be amazing too.

Thank you!

<https://www.st-gregorys.org.uk/2020/10/the-great-saint-gregs-cook-book/>

PROGRESSION

Apprenticeships



Two fantastic entry opportunities are available as part of Smith and Williamson's Trainee Chartered Accountant programmes beginning in September 2021:

Level 4 Apprenticeship in Accountancy – Business Outsourcing Services

Level 7 Apprenticeship in Auditing – Assurance and Business Services

Both roles include further training, development, and qualifications as part of the Association of Chartered Accountants and have the following academic requirements:

112 UCAS Points at A-Level or Equivalent (Predicted and/or Achieved) plus GCSE English and Maths – Grade 5

For more information and the online application forms please see [here](#) (for the BOS role) and [here](#) (for the ABS role)

Opportunities



Access Creative College have a Virtual Open Day on Tuesday November 17th. Take a look if you are interested in courses in creative subjects. There is a variety of opportunities and even offer to degree level.

<https://www.accesscreative.ac.uk/open-events/>



Alcohol Awareness Week

November 16 - 22

This year Alcohol Change UK are focussing on the issues around alcohol and mental health and the best ways to look after ourselves and those we love. There are loads of great resources on their website. Take a look.

www.alcoholchange.org.uk

APPRENTICESHIPS



on site Open Evening 2020

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN A CAREER IN THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY?

THEN THIS ONLINE EVENT IS FOR YOU!

DATE: MONDAY 30TH NOVEMBER 2020

TIME: 4.30PM & 6.00PM YOU CHOOSE

TO BOOK: SIGN UP VIA THIS LINK

<http://bit.ly/osonline>

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We are here to help

Sixth Form Head Pastoral—Mr. Ackland

Director of Pastoral Care—Mr McDermott

Assistant Head Pastoral—Mrs Tuke

Family Support and Attendance Officer—Zsuzanna Jenkins

Pupil Support M15—Mrs Rita West and Mr Simon Brooks

School Nurse Service —Yvette Tayler (0797 6916058)

Careers Advisor—Mrs Parker and Mrs Ruck

Medical Room, First Response Officer—Mrs Katy Stevenson



Remembrance Day

The whole school held a 2 minute silence on Wednesday to mark Remembrance Day.