



ST AUGUSTINE'S CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL AND SIXTH FORM

DEVELOPING THE WHOLE PERSON

The Weekly Bulletin

17th February 2023

As you are aware, we welcomed Ofsted into the school on Tuesday for a two day inspection. It was an intense time, but students and staff excelled in showing off the school to its full potential. I would also like to thank parents for their huge support in the process by completing the Ofsted questionnaire from which we received very positive feedback. We are expecting to hear the final outcome in March after which all parents will receive a copy.

Y12 Examinations

The return from half term sees the start of the Y12 assessments and the timetable can be found [HERE](#). The task sheet can be found [HERE](#). It is important that the year group gives the exams the respect they deserve as they will be important in being used for UCAS predicted grades.

Industrial Action – Wed 1st March

Planned industrial action is scheduled for 1st March, 15th and 16th March. Although this is likely, it has not yet been confirmed by the Trade Union and so I will communicate this to you when we return after half-term. Should it occur, then the following year groups will be in school:-

- Y11 and Y13
- Y12 students who are sitting examinations that day will be required to come into school as assessments **will continue**. These comprise: Accounting, Physics, Chemistry, Digital Media and PE

Y13 Parents' Evening – 9th March

School Cloud has now opened for Y13 parents to book slots to meet with staff for the Parents' Evening on Thursday 9th March, held in the Sports Hall. Please click [HERE](#) to register.

The Doctor's Show Theatre Performance, Redditch

On Wednesday afternoon, 40x Y10 History students went into Redditch to watch the story of Health and Medicine in Britain since the Middle Ages. The students enjoyed seeing the somewhat gory techniques used for amputation and such like, applying somewhat different methods and protocols compared to our modern day's NHS.

Enrichment - eSwatini

Applications are still open for the e-Swatini trip being held in July 2024. The trip is being run jointly with St Augustine's and St Benedict's students in July 2024 for current Y11 and Y12 students. It will be an unforgettable adventurous 16 day expedition encompassing safari, trekking, supporting the community but most of all an unforgettable time for students to plan and explore a trip for themselves and their friends. Further detail can be found [HERE](#). Closing date for signing up is 20th February.

Confirmation Classes

Miss Martin will be supporting in the preparation of the Sacrament of Confirmation to take place on 23rd June 2023. Should you wish your child to be involved, please complete the attached [form](#) and return it to her.

Act On It

Please see the link to free [workshops](#) to support young people with their mental health.

Important Dates for this Term

Date	Event	Location
17.02.23	Half Term – 3.45PM	
27.02.23	Return from Half Term Y12 Assessment Week	School
01.03.23	Planned industrial action	
03.03.23	PGL Netball Trip Culture Day	Shropshire
08.03.23	Y9 Skills Day Pop Icons	Off Site Theatre
09.03.23	Y13 Parents' Evening	Sports Hall
14.03.23	Y9 DTP Vaccinations	School
15.03.23	Planned Industrial Action	
16.03.23	Planned Industrial Action	
16.03.23	Y12 Parents' Evening (if industrial action does not go ahead)	Sports Hall
23.03.23	Public Speaking event	School
27.03.23	Y9 Assessment Week	School
27 – 29.03.23	Y10 Soli House Trip	Stoke-on-Trent
Thursday 30.03.22	End of Term at 3.45PM	

Parents' Evening Dates for Remainder of Year

27.04.23	Y9 Parents' Evening	Sports Hall
13.07.23	Y10 Parents' Evening	Sports Hall

Have a lovely half term and look forward to seeing students back on 27th February.

Yours faithfully



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