

# ALL SAINTS'

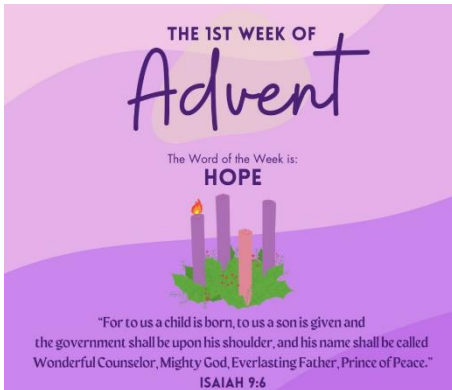
## CATHOLIC VOLUNTARY ACADEMY



Parent Bulletin – w/b 04/12/23

### *Thought for the Week:*

This week, we entered the first week of the new Church Year, beginning with the season of Advent. This is a time when we prepare our homes and our hearts for the coming of Christ and we make room for bringing God's Word to life, through our actions and choices. The first purple candle is lit on the Advent wreath, beginning the journey. It is the candle of 'hope'. It's a time for us to ask ourselves as individuals, as a community and as a world, 'What do we hope for?' The Chaplaincy Team set a mission, inviting forms to gather items to donate to the foodbank, as one way of bringing hope to those in need. They also invite everyone to think: 'How can we bring hope into the lives of others?' As we await the gift of Christ this Christmas, journeying together as peoples of hope, consider ways that you can reach out and bring hope to others.



### Reminders/information:

**All Saints' Way** – This week's All Saints' Way theme continues to be Never Give Up! In the last few weeks before the Christmas Holidays we encourage students to never give up being the best they can be in and out of the classroom.



**Uniform reminders** - Necklaces, bracelets and rings are not allowed in school. A crucifix or cross can be worn discreetly under the shirt. If excess jewellery is confiscated, parents can come to school to collect, or it will be returned to the student at the end of the half term. Thank you for your support with this.

**Contact details** - If your contact details (phone number, address) have changed since your child started All Saints' and you have not updated school please could you do this as a matter of urgency. This also includes any changes to the name and phone number of your emergency contacts. Please let school know via [admin@allsaints.notts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@allsaints.notts.sch.uk)

**Anti-bullying** - This year we've received lots of entries and some tutor groups clearly invested a great deal of time and effort into promoting our anti-bullying message. 7ANS are this year's worthy winners for their presentation and peer pressure experiment. This year's runners-up are 7JMS and 10APN- both forms have produced two outstanding displays. All entries have been put on display around school or returned to the tutor group to be displayed in the tutor base.

**English competition** - Mrs Elliott is running a story writing competition. If students would like to enter or find out more, please see Mrs Elliott in R2.

COME TO R2 TO GET AN ENTRY FORM.  
MRS ELLIOTT WILL BE IN THE LIBRARY ON  
WEDNESDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER AFTER  
SCHOOL IF YOU WOULD LIKE SOME  
SUPPORT WITH YOUR ENTRY.  
HAND ENTRIES IN TO MRS ELLIOTT IN R2  
DEADLINE: 20<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER

**Online safety**

action for children

### Age Restrictions for Social Media Platforms

Age Restriction	Social Media Platforms
13	Twitter, Facebook, Instagram, Pinterest, Google+, Tumblr, Reddit, Snapchat, Secret
14	LinkedIn
16	Whatsapp
17	Vine, Tinder
18	Path
18 (13 with parental permission)	YouTube, Foursquare, WeChat, Keek, Flickr, Kik

Did you know that most social media platforms have age restrictions?  
This means that children could be exposed to content that may not be suitable if they are under that age.  
For more information about keeping your child safe on social media click here [Social media | NSPCC](#)

**Summer Interns 2024** – Please see the poster at the end of the bulletin regarding a 3 week paid summer internship for University Undergraduates studying a STEM or language subject

## Personal Development:

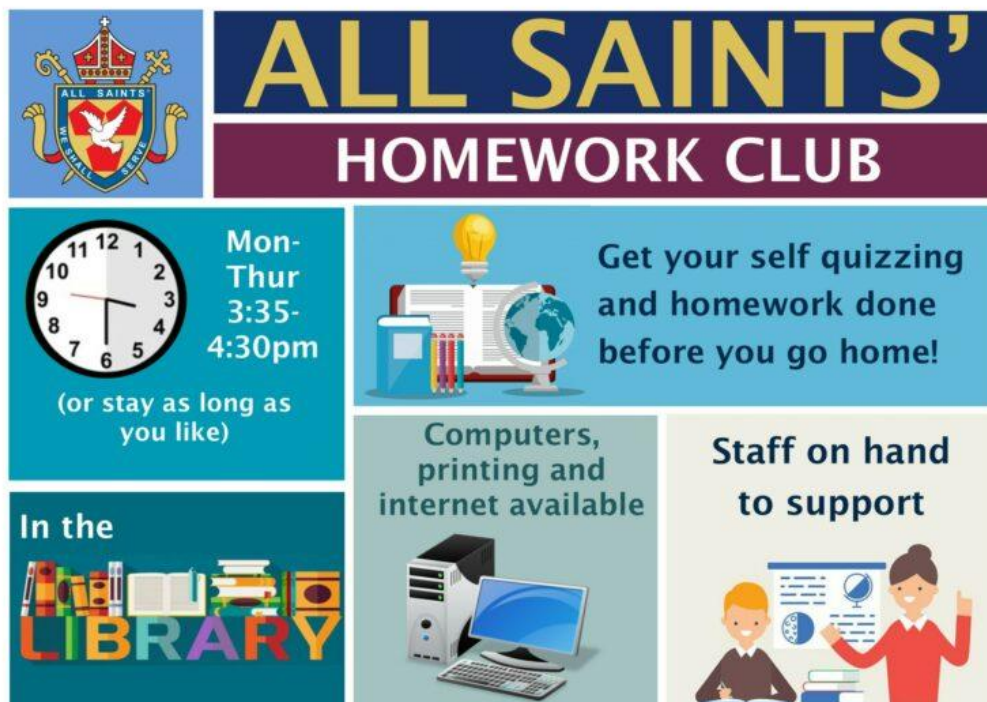
**Wellbeing** – We really want to support our students to support their own wellbeing. Below is a link for 'How to Make a Self-Soothe Box, which is a box you can make that contains things that ground us, make us feel more relaxed and reduce symptoms of panic, anxiety or low mood. [How to Make a Self-Soothe Box | Young Person Blog | YoungMinds](#)

**Wellbeing reminder:** Please remember that the link on our website is: [Wellbeing - All Saints' Catholic Voluntary Academy - Mansfield](#). In addition, if you have any questions or specific concerns regarding your child's wellbeing then please email the address: [wellbeing@allsaints.notts.sch.uk](mailto:wellbeing@allsaints.notts.sch.uk).

**Careers update** – Please remember you can also visit our school website: [Careers - All Saints' Catholic Voluntary Academy - Mansfield](#).

We have just added a range of posters under the Labour Market information section ([Labour Market Information - All Saints' Catholic Voluntary Academy - Mansfield](#)) with information about a range of subjects and how they directly link into careers within Nottinghamshire.

## Homework Club reminder:



The poster for All Saints' Homework Club features the school crest on the left. The main title 'ALL SAINTS' is in large yellow letters on a dark blue background, with 'HOMEWORK CLUB' in white on a maroon background below it. The poster is divided into several sections: a clock showing 3:35-4:30pm with the text 'Mon-Thur 3:35-4:30pm (or stay as long as you like)'; an illustration of a lightbulb, books, and a globe with the text 'Get your self quizzing and homework done before you go home!'; a section for 'Computers, printing and internet available' with an illustration of a computer; and a section for 'Staff on hand to support' with an illustration of a staff member and a student.

**Free School Meals** - Derbyshire County Council administers the applications for **Free School Meals** for students studying at All Saints' Catholic Voluntary Academy.

Please use the link below to apply.

<https://www.derbyshire.gov.uk/education/schools/your-child-at-school/meals/school-meals/free-school-meals.aspx>

If your child is in receipt of **Free School Meals**, you may be able to receive support with payments for school trips and uniform. If you are unsure whether you are entitled to claim, please complete the eligibility form on the website to check.

If you experience any difficulties please let us know and we will ask Derbyshire County Council to assist.

**Upcoming events:** (details of each event will be sent out to the relevant parents nearer the time).

Please see the Parent and Carer Planner below. This is also available on the school website in the parent section.

### Parent and Carer Planner 2023-2024

INSET Day on Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> December- Students not in school.	
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 13 Mock Results Morning
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 11 Mock Results Morning
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 12 and 13 Progress Evening for Parents. In Person
Students finish school on Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> Dec and return to school on <b>Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> January.</b>	
Week beginning 8 <sup>th</sup> January 2024	Year 7-10 Data Information. Year 7 Reports.
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> January (All week)	Year 11 Mock Speaking Exams for MFL
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> January	Year 11 Progress Evening for Parents. In Person
Week beginning 22 <sup>nd</sup> January	Year 8 Reports
Wednesday 31 <sup>st</sup> January	Year 8 Progress Evening for Parents. In Person
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> February	Year 8 Options Afternoon
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> February	Year 8 Options Information for Parents. Online
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> February	Year 11 Drama Exam
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> February	Year 11 Drama Exam
INSET Day on Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> February- Students not in school. Students return to school on <b>Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February.</b>	
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> February (All week)	Year 11 and 13 Mock Exams
Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> February (All week)	Year 11 and 13 Mock Exams
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> March until 12 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 12 Exams
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 7 Progress Evening for Parents. Online
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> March	School Show
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	School Show
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 11, 13 and 12 Data Drop Year 12 Reports
Students break up on Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March and return to school on <b>Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April.</b>	
Week beginning 15 <sup>th</sup> April	Year 7 to 10 Data
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> April until 26 <sup>th</sup> April	Year 11 MFL Speaking Exams (Actual)
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April	Year 10 Exams Week
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> May - Bank Holiday	
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>GCSE and A-Level External Exams Begin</b>
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 11 Drama Exam
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> May (All Week)	Year 9 Exams Week
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 10 Progress Evening for Parents. Online
Week beginning 20 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 10 Exam Results and Report
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 13 Leavers' Mass
Students break up on Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May and return to school on <b>Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June.</b>	
Week beginning 17 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 9 Exam Results and Report
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 9 Progress Evening for Parents. Online
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> June	Year 13 Prom
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> June (All Week)	Year 12 Exams
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> June	6 <sup>th</sup> Form Information Evening for Year 10. In Person
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> June	Provisional end date for Year 11 and 13 External Exams.
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> July	Provisional Sports Day
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 11 Prom
Week beginning Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 7 to 10 Data
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 12 Exam Results
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> July	Students break up for the Summer.



**OUR LADY  
OF LOURDES**

CATHOLIC MULTI-ACADEMY TRUST

Earn **£900** for a  
three week  
summer  
internship, working  
in a school,  
alongside  
Teachers.

17th June -  
5th July 2024

# SUMMER TEACHING INTERNSHIP 2024



You can apply if you are an undergraduate on a Languages  
or STEM related degree.

Places are available in schools across Nottingham.

Christ the King, Arnold, The Becket School, West Bridgford, The Trinity School, Aspley, All Saints,  
Mansfield, Nottingham Girls Academy, Aspley

**TO APPLY AND FOR INFORMATION, CONTACT VANESSA SCOTT -  
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