# All Saints RC Secondary School Summer Newsletter 2016

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you enjoy reading about some of the amazing achievements of our young people at All Saints! I know that many of you follow the school on Twitter, Instagram and Facebook where we are always on show. This is a wee taste of what's going on in our great school.

This term has been very busy for everyone with some of the highlights being:

- Welcoming our new S1 on their induction visits.
- Saying goodbye to our S6 learners at their Graduation Mass and Prom.
- Celebrating the success of our young people and our staff at our BGE awards ceremony.
- Our activity days this last week of term.

I would like to thank you for your support throughout this session and wish you all a safe, happy and very, very sunny summer.

#### P Holmes Head Teacher

#### **IMPORTANT DATES:**

Friday 24th June 2016		
Tuesday 9th August 2016		
Thursday 11th August 2016		
Monday 15th August 2016		

School Closes at 1pm SQA Exam Results \* Teachers Return Learners Return



# IMPORTANT SCHOOL INFORMATION

Reminder:

School timetable



### Monday

Start 8:50am Interval 11:20am -11:35am Lunch 1:05pm -1:45pm Finish 4:15pm

## **Tuesday to Friday**

Start 8:50am Interval 11:20am -11:35am Lunch 1:05pm -1:45pm Finish 3:00pm

Year Group	Year Head	Pupil Support
S1	Ms Higgins	Ms Brady
S2	Ms Higgins	Mrs Rafferty
S3	Mr McDermott	Ms Marlin
S4	Mr McDermott	Mr Carroll
S5	Mr Houston	Ms Goldie
S6	Mr Houston	Ms Goldie

**Reminder:** The **school blazer** is a now part of our uniform for **ALL** learners S1–S6. Thank you for your continued to support with uniform.

**Supplier:** Trutex Shop, 35B Argyle Street (behind St Enoch's Centre) Glasgow G2 8AH. Tel 0141 221 4472

Please note that school ties may also be purchased from the above as well as the school office.



## **School Uniform**

We have worked hard to keep the cost of school uniform low. Most of it can be purchased in easily available outlets.

Black blazer/braided blazer (S6 only)

Black V neck jumper/cardigan/braided jumper

Black dress trousers/skirt (appropriate length) pinafore white shirt.

S1–S3 junior tie (as shown) S4–S6 senior tie.

Please remember when purchasing new school shoes to ensure that they are all black with no coloured/white markings.

Minimum makeup & jewellery.

**PE Kit (No football strips/colours)** Jogging bottom/shorts, T Shirt Trainers.

**Body Piercing Guidelines** Body piercings pose a real health and safety risk in a number of curricular areas in All Saints.

Staff in Technical, Home Economics and Physical Education require all jewellery to be removed during practical sessions.

#### School Meal Price Increase from August 2016

In February the Council approved an increase in the charge for a lunchtime meal for learners. From August the charge will be  $\pounds$ 1.90 per day.

**School Transport Operator** from August 2016 will be Marbill Coach Service.

Free School Meals & Uniform Forms available from the school office.





Two groups from All Saints made films as part of Glasgow's Determined To Make Movies initiative. The activity group took a fun approach to the zombie apocalypse idea and the S3 drama elective class made their 5-minute film about bullying focussing on the theme of rumours and isolation.



Learners from both groups attended an Awards Ceremony at Silverburn Cineworld.

We were delighted when our S3 movie, *The Difference in David Scott,* won Best Film!



Robert Kerr, from S3, won the Best Actor award for his portrayal of the eponymous victim. This category included both male and female actors and presenters, so was a huge achievement - well done, Robert!



# All Saints English and Media Department

Learners have been working extremely hard in English all year round. This has been an exciting and extremely busy year for everyone. All learners have been focusing on key skills and S1-S3 learners now have a literacy booklet that is there to help them in all lessons. This toolkit offers learners the chance to improve their skills and we encourage learners to use this daily.

Learners had great fun participating in **Book Week and Shakespeare week.** Some classes even staged performances and created fantastic displays in tribute to the great bard! They learned about Shakespeare's wide ranging plays and... also that Shakespeare created the words *Champion* and *Elbow*! Who would believe it?

Other classes have been learning about *The Titanic* and have

enjoyed researching and understanding how significant this tragedy was. Excellent work was produced on this topic and learners really aimed to create convincing characters and setting in their work by using different stimuli to spark their creative minds!

who have continually tried their best and worked to the highest tandards! Examples of Outstanding Work

Madison Andrew: A War focus: "The

clouds of mustard gas daze my vision. I

cannot see properly-even though I have my mask on. I can feel myself stumbling about and tripping over bodies on the floor. The distant sound of screams with a mix of rifle shots can be heard in the distance and fills my ears with terror."

*Kiera McGrory*: A Boxing focus: "Boxing is well known sport which most people have divided opinion. It is a controversial subject. Many people believe that Boxing opens up a new gateway for those in need of it and provides a way out of poverty. For others, the violent side of the sport has a number of people calling it barbaric and dangerous."

Sean Gallagher: A Knife Crime focus: "All I can smell is the pungent scent- it must be a sign that my life is fading. The rain is the only thing making me feel better-I feel refreshed once more. The pain spreads across my body like a raging fire. Red rivulets of blood form..."



Well done to our **BAE** schools competition team members Eion, Mitchel, Dionne and Carla, who proved they have what it takes to be engineers!! For the last few weeks they have been working with BAE ambassadors, David and Cameron to design and build their own ship during activity time. They named their ship Daedalus, which comes from a craftsmen in Greek mythology, who designed ships that never sank.

The team were treated to a morning testing their ship at Strathclyde University, followed by a visit to BAE Fairfield, where they were given a tour of the shipyards.





**SENIOR PHASE (National 4/5 New Higher)**All National 5 / Higher Practical work was exhibited in school on 27<sup>th</sup> April, then sent away for assessment on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> April. There was an enormous diversity of subject matter this year (as always!) So enjoy this selection of session 2015/16 exam work.



## **Higher History Road Trip!**

Learners in Mrs Watt's Higher History class took part in a full day trip to Edinburgh and Stirling castles in January as part of their 'Age of the Reformation' topic. Pupils got a chance not only to appreciate Scotland's fantastically rich built heritage but also got to stand in the rooms in which some of the actual events they are learning about took place! A particular highlight was the tiny room in Edinburgh Castle where Mary, Queen of Scots gave birth to the future King James I and VI. A great day was had by all and fingers are crossed that our historians are inspired by this trip in the final examination!









The school welcomed volunteers from Islam Awareness Week Scotland who spoke and delivered workshops to some of our S1 and S3 learners during **RE** Islam Awareness Week Scotland is part of a national Islamic Society of Britain project which has been running annually for many years. The aim of these workshops are to tackle Islamophobia by portraving Islam in a positive and inclusive light. Specifically the workshops gives an overview of the diversity of Muslims in Scotland and dispels common misconceptions. Miss Ahmed would like to thank Dr Sahira Dar, Amjid Bashir, Sajjad Razzag, Dr Nazim Ghouri, Zaitoon and Shaista for taking time out to visit the



## The Feast of St John Ogilvie

This is the second year that we have been able to celebrate the feast by going to the Tolbooth,St. Aloysius Garnethill and gathering together for a meal. We were very fortunate to see the new icon that has been commissioned and had just been blessed and installed by Archbishop Tartaglia.

#### CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK

Each year group focused on the theme of Mercy at their assemblies, in RE and in the tutor groups. It is wonderful to celebrate Catholic Education and to get the chance to spread that good news to the local community.

#### NET MINISTRY RETREAT

Third year in All Saints enjoyed a day of retreat in St Catherine's Hall. The NET team, who are a group of volunteers that help young people on their faith journey, helped them to Focus on the theme "Put Jesus in the driving seat." There was a mixture of workshops, activities and silent time. The afternoon allowed each participant to spend time in prayer asking God for healing. Third year were a credit to their school and to the families who support them.





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