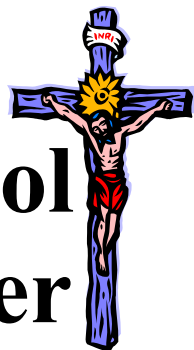


# All Saints RC Secondary School Easter Newsletter



Dear Parents/Carers,

As we approach our break for Easter we have put together this newsletter to bring to you a flavour of what has been another very successful term at All Saints.

I hope you enjoy the read and take this opportunity to wish everyone a very holy and joyful Easter.

P Holmes  
Head Teacher

## **Important dates for your diary:**

**Monday 20th April** - School re-opens after Easter Holidays

**Wednesday 22 April** - Parent Council Meeting 4pm All Saints

**Monday 4th May** - May Day

**Wednesday 6th May** - S2 Parent Evening 4.15 - 6.15pm

**Thursday 7th May** - In-Service Day 5

**Wednesday 20th May** - S1 Parent Evening 4.15 - 6.15pm

**Friday 22nd May - Monday 25th May** - (inclusive) - May Weekend

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## Getting it right for every child - update GIRFEC

The Scottish Government is currently consulting on detailed guidance that supports parts of the Children and Young People (Scotland) Act 2014. This Act is a new law that will give children, young people and their families extra support and will encourage everyone to talk about children's wellbeing using the same words. The consultation on the guidance is due to run until 1 May. It is mainly aimed at the people who support your child – including parents' organisations – but individual parents are welcome to get involved if they wish. You can take part in the consultation via this link:

<http://www.gov.scot/Publications/2015/02/1851>

### S1 Fairtrade/Finance



Well done to S1 learners Casey Crawford, Beth Tinlay, Lewis Rankin and Sean Mullen for representing the school and displaying their excellent work in Maths, Finance and Fairtrade at St Catherine's Primary Showcase Morning with Education Scotland. They were a credit to themselves and the school.

D Reilly

## It has been a busy time in the English department... especially for S1:

Miss Hewitt's S1 English class have been working hard on studying **Anne Frank**. They have researched The Holocaust and spent time exploring the emotional impact on young Anne and her family. They have now **arranged and managed to secure and interview with 2 Holocaust survivors Henry and Ingrid Wuga** and will have the opportunity to interview them. Henry and Ingrid spoke to our school a few years ago and were filmed for our BBC school report. We are looking forward to working with them again and hearing about their moving experiences. S1 know this is an amazing opportunity and will be adding this first-hand account to their research files.

All of S1 in English also took part in "**SHHHH The Big Read.**" This sponsored read and silence was all in the aid of raising funds for SCIAF. Every, single, S1 learner participated and ensured they read as many books as possible...and stayed quiet- quite a task...and **that was just the teachers!** So far...over £700.00 has been raised and there is still more money to come in. Well done S1!



Many classes across the department were also involved in writing about the eclipse on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March. Writing about this phenomenon focused on reporting how this process happened and **imagining a world in outer space**. Some superb writing pieces were produced from using this spectacular stimulus.



S Hewitt



# Design Technology Logo Design Competition



*The winner is ....  
Joli Birrell 2A (2.1)*

N Foulds

To anyone who remembers Christopher Barton, who is currently in his 4<sup>th</sup> year at Glasgow School of Art, (with an interview at Royal College of Art, London for his MA this month) here are a few photos of some of his textiles that Chanel have had made into garments!

F Campbell



## Visit to St Aloysius Church during the Novena for the 400<sup>th</sup> anniversary of John Ogilvie.



Learners from the Caritas group and some S2 learners who have been in attendance at the lunchtime mass every day were invited to take part in celebrations for the 400<sup>th</sup> anniversary of St John Ogilvie.

The group began their pilgrimage at the Tollbooth where Father Anthony Gallagher gave short talk on the saint and concluded with prayer. St Aloysius Church in Garnethill was the next step in the journey for Mass and the recitation of the Novena prayer along with the parishioners.

No trip is perfect without a treat and this was indeed a sumptuous feast at an Italian restaurant in town. All of this was well deserved as the learners contribute so much to the life of the Catholic community in our area in so many ways. De Gratias.

A Milwain



### S3 Careers Event – ‘Making Your Mind Up’

S3 Design Technology learners were involved in a morning programme of events that focussed on raising awareness of the possible future pathways that are available to them should they continue to study this subject into the Senior Phase.

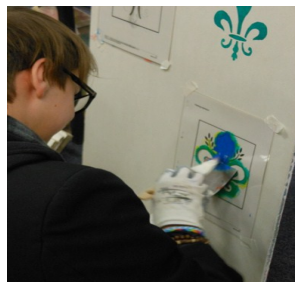


There were a variety of providers participating in the event which gave the learners the opportunity to think about their options after school ranging from careers in Engineering, considering applying for Apprenticeships, as well as the wide range of courses available through College and Universities.

Although many learners are undecided about their future we would hope that this will give them lots of information to think about and motivate them to consider the full range of possibilities on offer.



The event gave learners the opportunity to make links to skills they are developing in school and the wider world of



work. All learners involved were a credit to the school through their enthusiasm and participation.

N Foulds

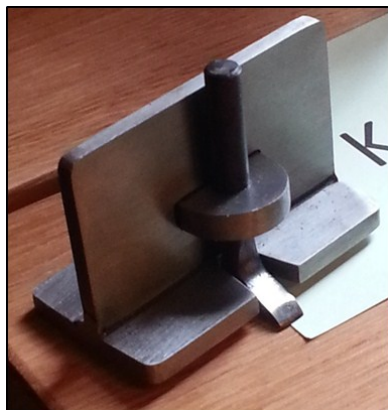
## Senior Phase Practical Metalworking



Miss Foulds' Senior Phase practical metalwork learners were visited by the Trades House Deacon Convenor after the departments recent success at the Trades House school competition. The Trades House were impressed by the quality of work being produced by the learners within the department.

As the Design Technology Department have recently introduced the Metalwork course as an option for senior phase, the Deacon Convenor presented a cheque to help support the work being undertaken.

These funds will go towards further improvement of the workshop facilities and will support the current level of investment in the department. Learners now have access to welding facilities within the department and this helps support the work required for their National level course



Some examples of projects that the class have manufactured are shown above: A Garden Lantern and a Hand Router.

Miss Foulds would like to thank all the learners involved in show casing the good work of the department; they were a credit to themselves and the school.

N Foulds

# ISLAM AWARENESS WEEK (IAW) SCOTLAND 2015

## ***THEME: “GIVE A LITTLE OF YOURSELF”***

Volunteers from Islam Awareness Week visited All Saints Secondary school and delivered a number of workshops to S5 pupils and S6 Caritas pupils focusing on and highlighting issues surrounding the image of Islam in the media and the misconceptions people may have of Muslims. All involved in the workshops were Muslim volunteers and the theme of this year's awareness week was ***“Give A Little of Yourself”***.

Their aims were to:

- promote greater understanding and awareness of Islam
- encourage positive contribution to British society and the promotion of social justice
- help individuals to gain new perspective about people and their faith
- to think about their faith and contextualise this to the reality of modern society

The feedback from the volunteers was that the senior pupils were keen to engage in discussion and share their views with the volunteers and STV News. Pupils believe everyone has a bit to do regardless of their faith to help bridge communities and disperse misunderstanding others may have of each other.

The IAW team would like to thank the school for giving the volunteers this opportunity to speak to youngsters about current affairs.

To view the STV News link please check this website: <http://news.stv.tv/west-central/314228-muslim-groups-say-education-can-stop-a-rise-in-islamophobic-attacks/>



Miss Ahmed

# PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT 2015

## ALL SAINTS COMMUNITY GARDEN UPDATE

As Spring officially begins, the planting season is upon us and the garden is slowly coming together. Saplings have been donated by the Woodland Trust, who will deliver a day of talks & demonstrations to our learners in April whilst planting around the perimeter of the Garden. Senior learners have been laying slabs for the foundations of the greenhouse, working with Mr McKendry in the construction of raised beds, bark chipping paths and if we get a couple of dry days, the sheltered learning space / Pavillion will be constructed in the Garden. S3 MIDAS boys worked very hard to build a large shed in the garden, which will be especially useful on those rainy days!

The classes involved in this on-going project have developed valuable team building, personal & practical skills throughout this experience that will become part of the legacy of the Community Garden. We hope to involve local schools, parishes and business to help us run this sustainable resource that will benefit our local community and our young people.

We hope to open up the Community Garden officially in early June, extending an invite to friends & family, local businesses, youth groups school & parishes who are interested in seeing the fruits of this committed group of young adult's labour. The bbq will be on and hopefully the sun out, for a great day for all!

F Campbell



## All Saints Fairtrade Adventure (23<sup>rd</sup> Feb-8<sup>th</sup> March)



Throughout Fairtrade fortnight learners in faculties across the school participated in lessons on the theme of *Choose Products that Change Lives*. Activities ranged from Banana muffin making in Home Economics to Djembe Drumming in Music. In Social Sciences & Modern Languages

pupils investigated ethical trade designing posters & Fairtrade Eco friendly bags, whilst S6 Caritas pupils lead a rosary focused on Comercio Justo issues at St Catherine's parish. Poetry, pie-charts, product design & plays rounded off a fabulous fortnight of fun. Fairtrade coffee mornings organised by S5/6 learners and funded by The Scottish Fairtrade Forum also took place across the local community. Frothy coffees, trade-tastic teas and fruit kebabs served by *The Chocness Monsters* all went down a treat. An article in the Evening Times by MSP Humza Yousef also commended the "fantastic job of All Saints pupils in promoting fair trading practices at a local level".

A Madden



## **All Saints Community Food Initiative**

Established in the winter of 2012 All Saints Community Food initiative aims to respond to local needs and address the growing problem of food poverty. The opportunity for all pupils to embrace local issues and realize the transformative change they can make to the lives of their neighbours. And in doing so, contribute to raising the expectations they have for themselves and empowering them to *learn their way to a better future*. Participants are currently working towards achieving the Saltire award in conjunction with completing industry recognized courses in First Aid & Food Hygiene strengthening their skills development portfolios for learning, life & work.

At the heart of every food distribution is a truly inclusive open door policy. Everyone is invited & welcome to attend scheduled coffee mornings - bringing down barriers to food poverty. Pupils advertise the events throughout the community and make arrangements with partner agencies to distribute food in key areas.

### **Faith in Action**

Distributed over 450 parcels of food to local senior citizens.

Supported work in parishes with the homeless as well as Glasgow City Mission.

500+ baby jars/pouches of food as well as nappies/baby wipes have been given to local mother and toddler groups.

150 parcels have been given to young men & women pursuing independent living for the first time.

Distributed emergency parcels to many families of young people who are in crisis across All Saints learning community & beyond.

Gifts for residents in local nursing homes & Marie Curie Care (SMILE boxes).

Activities to engage, enthuse and motivate young people with All Saints secondary & beyond (reward trips/study breakfasts)

A Madden





## ***Stations of the Cross***



**The Caritas group will be leading the Stations of the Cross in Robroyston Park on the 3rd April at 12.00pm and 12.30pm. If you are available please come along and join in with the local parishes and primary schools.**

## ***Church Services over Easter:***

**The young people of All Saints have been preparing during Holy Week for Easter. Please encourage them to participate in the Parish services as outlined below.**

**Also Friday March 27th confessions are available in St Andrews Cathedral on Clyde Street 8am-8pm**

*\*Please note at time of print church services at St Aloysius & Immaculate Heart of Mary TBC*

Church	Thursday	Good Friday	Easter Vigil	Easter Sunday
*St. Aloysius	10am 7pm 9pm	10am 3pm	10am 9pm	11am 1pm Stobhill Hospital
St. Augustine's	9.30am 7pm 10pm Night Prayer	10am 11am Walk of Witness 3pm 7pm	10am 9pm	10am 12pm
St. Catherine's	9.30am morning prayer 7pm 10pm night prayer	3pm 7pm	8.30pm	9.30am 11.30am
St. Philomena's	7pm	3pm	9pm	10.45am 5pm
*Immaculate Heart of Mary	7pm	12pm Children 3pm 6.30pm	7pm	9.30am 11.30am Children's Easter Egg hunt in parish gardens after mass