

STUDENT BRIEFING

Week commencing 14 September 2020

TRUTH – RESPECT FOR SELF

Everything we hear is an opinion, not a fact. Everything we see is a perspective not the truth”
([Marcus Aurelius](#))

Important Dates

17 September 2020 - Vaccinations for year 7
18 September 2020 - Photographs for years 7 and 9

Forward Notice

As we learn of further useful/important dates for you, we will put them here for you.

Returned books and resources

If you borrowed any books or resources from the College during remote learning please return them directly to student reception by Friday 18th September 2020. Thank you.

GCSE Pod

Students and parents can sign up for our full webinar programme here on how to use the online platform - <https://www.gcsepod.com/webinars/podup-presents-webinars/>

Accessing IT

If you need help when accessing your school e-mail account and area when you are at home, such as you have forgotten your password, one of the first things you can do is get your parents or carers to e-mail the IT team on studentit@stjosephscollege.net so that you can request support with this. The IT team do respond as quickly as they possibly can. Similarly, in school, do not go the IT office for assistance, as this will jeopardise the security of your bubbles. Visit your student manager to ask them to contact the IT office on your behalf.

Year 7 Vaccinations

These are scheduled to take place on 17 September 2020. Your teachers will take you out of lessons at the following times:

| Class | Time | Location | Session Length |
|-------------------|-------|-------------|----------------|
| 7Z PAC JTU G13 | 9.00 | Sports Hall | 20 |
| 7T MA GCK R10 | 9.20 | Sports Hall | 20 |
| 7U RE MC R12 | 9.40 | Sports Hall | 20 |
| 7S SC EAM G16 | 10.00 | Sports Hall | 20 |
| 7Q MA PCA G14 | 10.20 | Sports Hall | 20 |
| 7R EN GWY G15 | 10.40 | Sports Hall | 20 |
| Break 11.00-11.15 | | | |
| 7N HI MBM G13 | 11.15 | Sports Hall | 20 |
| 7K LA ANN G10 | 11.35 | Sports Hall | 20 |
| 7L GG AYJ G11 | 11.55 | Sports Hall | 20 |
| 7M HI NRU G12 | 12.15 | Sports Hall | 20 |
| Finish 12.35 | | | |

Year 7 and Year 9 Photographs

These are scheduled to take place on 18 September 2020. You will need to wear full, correct uniform for your photograph. Your teachers will take you out of lessons at the following times:

Year 7 Photographs

| Class | Time | Location | Session Length |
|-------------------|-------|-------------|----------------|
| 7Z PAC JTU R05 | 9.00 | Sports Hall | 20 |
| 7S MA MTR G16 | 9.20 | Sports Hall | 20 |
| 7U EN ACS R12 | 9.40 | Sports Hall | 20 |
| 7T MA GCK R10 | 10.00 | Sports Hall | 20 |
| 7R SC SWN G15 | 10.20 | Sports Hall | 20 |
| 7Q SC KGN G14 | 10.40 | Sports Hall | 20 |
| Break 11.00-11.15 | | | |
| 7N GG AJY G13 | 11.15 | Sports Hall | 20 |
| 7M EN MWB G12 | 11.35 | Sports Hall | 20 |
| 7L LA ANN G11 | 11.55 | Sports Hall | 20 |
| 7K EN TF G10 | 12.15 | Sports Hall | 20 |
| Finish 12.35 | | | |

Year 9 Photographs

| Class | Time | Location | Session Length |
|-------------------|-------|----------|----------------|
| 9X MA1 CBY S07 | 8.30 | Gym | 20 |
| 9X MA2 DGO S11 | 8.50 | Gym | 20 |
| 9X MA3 RBT S12 | 9.10 | Gym | 20 |
| 9X MA4 OSJ S13 | 9.35 | Gym | 20 |
| 9X MA5 NAM S15 | 9.55 | Gym | 20 |
| 9Q EN KJS S07 | 10.15 | Gym | 20 |
| Break 10.30-10.45 | | | |
| 9R SC JG S11 | 10.45 | Gym | 20 |
| 9S HI FPN S12 | 11.05 | Gym | 20 |
| 9T MU DHN S13 | 11.25 | Gym | 20 |
| 9U EN LNW S15 | 11.45 | Gym | 20 |
| Finish 12.00 | | | |

Pastoral Notes

- 1. Student Belongings** - Please remember to pick up belongings before leaving the canteen and when moving between classrooms. Any lost property will be taken to the Family Area where your student manager is based. However, there is no capacity to store belongings for any length of time so it is important that any property is collected at the end of the day. All items of uniform, bags and coats must be clearly labelled with your name and tutor group. Any items not collected within a week will be disposed of.
- 2. Break and lunch times** – During all break times, all students must sit at the tables provided once you have collected your food. At lunchtime, once you have eaten, you may go outside for the rest of the break.

3. **Uniform reminder** - Years 7- 8 must not wear make-up and only discreet make-up can be worn by Years 9 - 11. False eyelashes, false nails or nail varnish must not be worn. Hair must be one natural colour with no patterns shaved into the hair. The only jewellery to be worn is a watch and one small stud in each ear lobe. Full school uniform will be expected for all students by Monday, 21 September 2020. From 28 September 2020, your teachers will be carrying out formal uniform checks. Infringements will result in a sanction.
4. **Lanyards** - Please note that, from Tuesday, 15 September 2020, students will not be allowed to join food queues without their lanyard worn and visible. In addition, not having your lanyard will be treated in the same way as being out of uniform or not having the right equipment, so will be subject to a C30 sanction. Please particularly remember this when you put it in your blazer but wear PE kit the next day!

Careers Notes

1. **Oxplore** - Back in the Summer Term, we told you about an online platform from the University of Oxford called Oxplore. Its aim is to explore the big questions of life. Examples are:
 - a. Can money buy happiness?
 - b. Is sleeping more important than studying?
 - c. Does fake news matter?If you enjoy debate (or even just enjoy a good argument!), this could be a platform you will like a lot. This is a good website for anyone in any year group who is interested in going to university, as it gives you an idea of the types of debate that go on there. You can visit the site to find out more at <https://explore.org/about> . Let Mrs Sanders know how you get on.
2. **The University of Sheffield** – For students in years 9, 10 and 11, this website might be of interest to you. Considering going to university is a serious matter and you don't only just think about it in year 12. Research starts now and does take some time. The University of Sheffield has created a site that allows you to explore university life and find out what is involved. You can find out more by clicking [here](#) . For year 11s in particular, this is something you may be interested in looking at with your parents and carers.
3. **Careers in Chemistry** – National Careers Week has produced a [guide](#) cunningly entitled *You are the Catalyst*. It is designed to help you examine what a career in chemistry has to offer. It contains self-assessment exercises, video linked tasks and signposts to help you investigate what your chemistry careers interests may be. All budding scientists should take a look.
4. **RAF** – If you are interested in finding out more about careers available in the RAF, you can do this by clicking [here](#) . The RAF updates this site all the time and they have just had a relaunch in time for September. Have a look around if you think you would like this type of work.

Year 10 Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Expedition and Year 11 Silver Duke of Edinburgh Expedition – 10th and 11th October 2020

By now you should have all returned your Ocean Rock medical forms for the 'different' expedition we are having next month. If not, please make sure it is returned by Friday 19th September 2020 to student reception. Keep checking your school email with further information and timings of your groups, for the expedition weekend.

St. Joseph's 5* Review

A huge well done to Mr. Carter-Selwood and the Catering Department for securing a 5* review for the canteen. Environmental Health visited the College on Thursday 10 September and the visit went extremely well, hence the fantastic review. The Chef has implemented lots of new changes and processes, which have certainly paid off. Well done team!

The next briefing will be Friday, 18 September 2020.