

Information Bulletin for Parents and Carers Friday 30 September



St. Wilfrid's
R.C. College

Excellence through Faith, Learning and Support

Faith:

Next week we will focus on the rosary. The rosary is more than a prayer. It is a symbol of our destiny in and with God according to Mary's example. To live up to this destiny, we need faith in God's marvellous deeds for us, perseverance in his ways (hope) and a practical attitude toward living our faith, that is charity. We continue to embed faith, hope, charity and the other four virtues (temperance, justice, fortitude and prudence) in our character development.

Learning:

Students of the Week

Our fabulous winners this week are:

Headteacher's Award: Luca Osmulkevici 9B2

Tutor Group of the Week: 8MC2

Aidan: Zara Wisniewska 7A1 and Sarah Wilson 10A2

Bede: Luca Osmulkevici 9B2 and Kiera Murphy 11B2

Cuthbert: Cavan Poulter 8C1 and Alex O'Donovan 10C1

Hilda: Mia Glendinning 11H1 and Jose Da Silva 7H2

Margaret Clitherow: Dominic Hall 11MC1 and Phoebe Haws 8MC2

Congratulations - we're proud of you all.



Sora- Our Online Reading Platform



All students at St Wilfrid's have access to Sora's amazing online reading platform. Sora has thousands of ebooks and audiobooks for our students to enjoy at home.

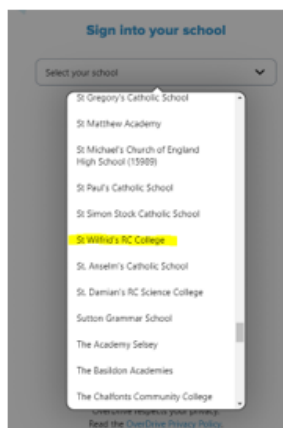
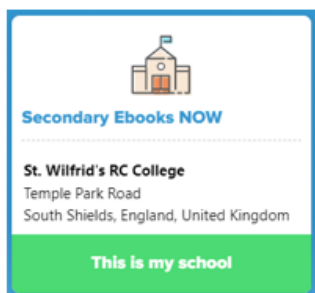
Sora can be downloaded as a mobile app or accessed through a computer..

Accessing the app or website for the first time is simple:

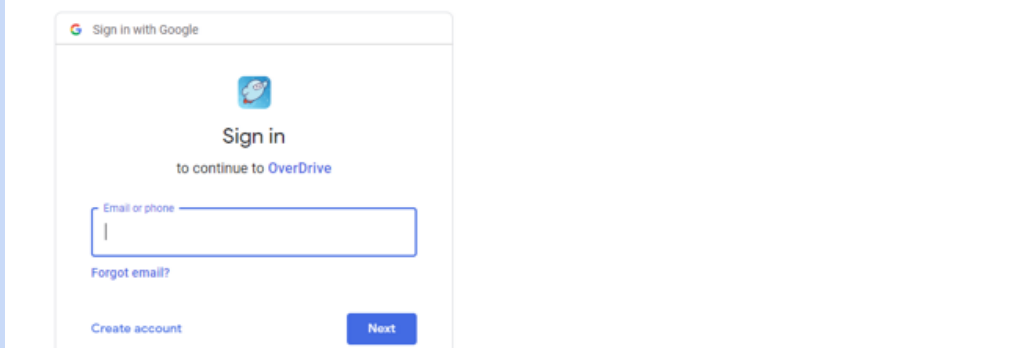
1) Search for Sora Login



2) Select St Wilfrid's RC College



3) Sign in using your school email address and google classroom password



If you require any support with using the app, contact Mrs Collings-Backhouse.

Homework

Year 7-9 students will receive 30 minutes of homework per week from core subjects (English, Maths, Science and RE)

Year 10-11 students will receive 60 minutes of homework per week from core subjects.

All other subjects will set homework following school policy on a fortnightly basis.

Students should complete all homework to a high standard. Students will receive a debit if homework is incomplete or not complete to a satisfactory standard.

Students are able to attend homework club for homework support.

Maths Homework

Maths homework will be set weekly, students will be set homework tasks on HegartyMaths and have a week to complete their homework to a high standard. A week's notice enables our students to ask for help or attend maths homework support on a Thursday evening.

Staff are able to see how long students have spent completing each task and how much of the accompanying video they have watched. If students in KS3 have not spent 30 minutes and students

in KS4 have not spent 60 minutes completing their maths homework and the homework is deemed to not be of a satisfactory quality students will receive a debit and are expected to complete the homework again.

Year 11

To support our Year 11 students in making a positive start to this important academic year, we challenged them in the initial weeks to be the best version of themselves. We rewarded the Year 11 student who achieved the most credits in their tutor group with a multi-store gift card which was presented to them in assembly. We are proud of the effort and determination they have demonstrated and their commitment to school life.



On Monday we spoke to Year 11 about how success stems from the small sum of efforts repeated every day. On Friday 7th October we will be rewarding the class who have achieved the most credits since that assembly. 11X3 is currently in the lead!

Support:

Ask About Asthma

#AskAboutAsthma is back for 2022. The campaign encourages simple changes to children and young people's care that will make a big difference to how they experience their asthma. The campaign encourages children, young people and their parents and carers to understand how to

best manage their asthma:

1. get an asthma action plan in place
2. understand how to use inhalers correctly
3. schedule an asthma review – every year and after every attack
4. consider air pollution and its impact on lung health

For further information on the campaign and health inequalities, click [here](#).

Key dates / upcoming events:

- Wednesday 3 October 2.00pm - Year 7 Welcome Mass
- Monday 10 October - World Mental Health Day
- Wednesday 12 October - Feast of St Wilfrid

Year 11 Careers.

South Tyneside Council are delighted to confirm 'Your Next Steps' Live is back for 2022 and will take place at Temple Park Centre on Thursday 20th October.

'Your Next Steps' Live is an opportunity for young people and parents to explore their post-16 options, career and training opportunities as well as meet employers hiring now. A public session will take place from 15:30-19:00.

The event is kindly sponsored by South Tyneside College and around 45 education, training and employment organisations will be on hand to support and guide young people through their next steps. Some of those confirmed already include: Northumbria Police, A&P Tyne, South Tyneside Homes, Training in Care, Key Subject Tuition and more.

Y11 & 13 Prelim examinations:

Our first period of prelim examinations will take place from Monday 31st October to Friday 11th November. During this period students will be sitting assessments in all their academic subjects. Routines and procedures will be in line with the Summer external assessment period in order to prepare students for this experience. Students will be given personalised timetables with seat numbers in the coming week, if they have any issues they should speak to Mrs Scott at the main reception.

The timetable for the period can be seen below, it is also accessible on the school website.

Y11/13 Autumn Prelims 2022

<i>17th – 20th Oct</i>	<i>MFL Speaking Tests – Timings provided by teacher</i>			
Mon 31 st Oct	Y13 English Language P1 Y11 History P3 Y11 Geography P1	2hrs 30m 1hr 20m 55m	Y13 Geography P1 Y13 Law C1 Y13 HSC P2 Y13 ICT P3 Y11 HSC Y11 Digital Y11 Geography P1 (clash 7)	1hr 45m 1hr 30m 1hr 30m 1hr 2hrs 1hr 30m 55m
Tues 1 st Nov	Y13 Spanish LRT Y13 Psychology P1 Y13 Sociology P1 Y11 RCC: Christianity	2hrs 30m 2hrs 2hrs 1hr 45m	Y13 Chemistry P1 Y13 RE: Philosophy Y11 English Language P1	2hrs 2hrs 1hr 45m
Wed 2 nd Nov	Y13 English Literature P1 Y13 App Sci: Bio (STJ) Y11 Design & Technology Y11 Computer Science P1	3hrs 40m 2hrs 1hr 30m	Y13 Mathematics: Pure Y13 App Sci: Chem (STJ) Y11 Mathematics P1	2hrs 40m 1hr 30m
Thurs 3 rd Nov	Y13 History 1C Y13 Computer Science P1 Y13 Business Studies P1 Y12 App Sci: Phy (STJ) Y11 French Listening Y11 French Reading	2hrs 30m 2hrs 30m 1hr 40m 35/45m 45/60m	Y13 Biology Y11 Biology Y11 Combined Science: Bio	2hrs 1hr 45m 1hr 10m
Fri 4 th Nov	Y13 Photography (STJ) Y13 Psychology P2 Y13 Spanish W Y13 Mathematics: Applied Y11 Mandarin Listening Y11 Mandarin Reading	5hrs 2hrs 2hrs 1hr 45m 60m	Y13 Geography P2 Y11 Physics Y11 Combined Science: Phys	2hrs 1hr 45m 1hr 10m
Mon 7 th Nov	Y13 History 2N Y13 Computer Science P2 Y13 Psychology P2 (1clash) Y13 Business Studies P2 Y11 Mathematics P2	2hrs 30m 2hrs 30m 2hrs 1hr 1hr 30m	Y13 Physics Y13 RE: Ethics Y11 Geography P2	2hrs 2hrs 55m
Tues 8 th Nov	Y13 Chemistry P2 Y13 Sociology P2 Y13 App Sci Practical (STJ) Y11 Music	2hrs 1hr 3hrs 1hr 15m	Y13 RE: DCT Y13 Law Criminal Y11 Chemistry Y11 Combined Science: Chem	2hrs 1hr 30m 1hr 45m 1hr 10m
Wed 9 th Nov	Y13 Business Studies P3 Y13 App Sci Prep (STJ) Y13 English Literature P2 Y11 English literature	2hrs 2hrs 50m 1hr 30m	Y11 French Writing Y11 Mandarin Writing	60/75m 65/80m
Thurs 10 th Nov	Y13 App Sci: theory (STJ) Y11 Mathematics P3	1hr 30m 1hr 30m	Y11 Computer science P2	1hr 30m
Fri 11 th Nov	Y11 Engineering B	1hr 30m		

Sixth Form Notices:

Key Dates-

Year 12 Welcome Mass Friday 7th October

Year 13 Prelim Exams- see schedule above