

Information Bulletin for Parents and Carers Friday 11 November

Excellence through Faith, Learning and Support



Thank you to our students for respectfully remembering those that have gone before us into the Kingdom of Heaven. Today, especially, we remember the service women and men - and their families and friends - that have given their lives to allow us to live in peace and harmony. We thank God for these heroes.

Next week, our prayer and liturgy focus is the Feast of Christ the King. This is celebrated in the last Sunday of the liturgical Calendar before we begin the season of advent.

Learning:

Students of the Week

This week, our amazing winners are:

Headteacher's Award: Thomas Roberts 9MC1 Tutor Group of the Week: 9MC1 Aidan: Anisa Hossain 9A2 and Leo Innes 10A2 Bede: Evie Cernik 9B1 and Lewis Chapman 10B2 Cuthbert: Given Mbila 8C2 and Makala Cowell 10C2 **Hilda**: Zannath Akther 9H1 and Toby Magrs 10H1 **Margaret Clitherow**: Charlie Hall 8MC2 and Kieran Tsui 9MC2

Congratulations - we're all very proud of you.

PSHE Achievement Award

Friday 4th November was the final week of our first PSHE rotation of this academic year. We asked staff to nominate students who made an outstanding contribution throughout the seven weeks. Excellent contributions during class discussion and being respectful to the views of others were some of the fantastic reasons our students were nominated. Congratulations to our winners:

Year 7: Hannah Blackman 7H1 Year 8: Oscar Frail 8B1 Year 9: Noah Coates 9H1 Year 10: Rania Aly 10MC1 Year 11: Lucas Robinson 11B1

Keep up the great work!

'Proud of your work!'



On the final day of the last half-term, we hosted a 'proud of your work' event for Year 7 and 8 students during their break time. Students were asked to bring along and discuss a piece of work they were proud of to receive a prize. We were delighted that over 100 students attended the event to showcase their achievements in a wide range of subjects! This week we further acknowledged the work of a small number of those students by awarding them with a 'gold star' pin badge to recognise their outstanding contributions. Congratulations to all our students, we are very proud of you all!

Sora e

SORA- Online Reading Platform

Looking for the latest Alice Oseman, Sarah J Maas, Jenny Han or the Narutu Manga series? All students at St Wilfrid's have access to Sora; a fabulous online app where hundreds of E-books and audiobooks can be accessed. The online library contains some of the most popular novels, graphic novels, manga, non-fiction and audiobook titles for teens.

The best thing about the app is that it is entirely free to access!

All students need to do to access this online library is to log onto Google Classroom, scroll through the apps and then use the same login details to access SORA.

There is also an app available to download.

Any students having issues logging on should see Mrs Collings-Backhouse.

Year 11

STEP resumes for Year 11 students next week, on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings. STEP is our targeted intervention programme for small groups of students in specific subjects. We ensure we support them so they can make 'Steps To Extend Progress'. It is an expectation that all Year 11 students maximise this opportunity by attending all timetabled STEP sessions. All students should check with their tutor to ensure they are fully aware of their allocated sessions.

Key Stage 3 Information Evenings

Thank you to all parents and carers who attended our KS3 information evening last night. The presentation can be found under the Letters for Parents page of our website. If you would like to attend the second information evening on Thursday 17th November from 5:30pm-6:30pm you can book a place using the link below. Due to limited space in the hall, we would kindly ask that this event is attended by parents and carers only and not students.

https://stwilfridsrc.schoolcloud.co.uk/

Support:

Anti Bullying Week 14th - 19th of October



Anti-Bullying Week 2022 is coordinated in England and Wales by the Anti-Bullying Alliance. It will take place from 14 to 18 November 2022 and has the theme Reach Out. The week will kick off with Odd Socks Day on Monday 14th November. Adults and children are encouraged to wear odd socks to celebrate what makes us all unique.

Please watch the Reach Out Video with your child as this will be our focus for anti-Bullying week: "Be the change you want to see"

Anti-Bullying Week 2022: Reach Out

We will be sharing further information with you throughout Anti Bullying week.



The Bank of England Governor, Andrew Bailey, delivered a finance talk and Q&A for some of our Year 12 and 13 students on Thursday. They had some fantastic questions about the current economic climate, interest rates and student loans.

Year 11 Sixth Form and College Taster Day

All Year 11 students will participate in a Sixth Form or South Tyneside College taster day on Wednesday 16th November. Students should select their subject options on Google Classroom by Monday 14th November.

Year 12 and 13 students will be working from home on Wednesday 16th November. Students should complete the work set on Google Classroom.