

Information Bulletin for Parents and Carers

Friday 23rd June



St. Wilfrid's
R.C. College

Excellence through Faith, Learning and Support

Faith:

This week, the focus of our Liturgical Prayer has been LOVE ONE ANOTHER. Our assemblies have encouraged students to appreciate that we live in a diverse world and to think about the harmful effects of prejudice and racism.



Prayer:

*Help us to think carefully about the power in the words we say.
Amen.*

Supporting our local food banks

Two of our wonderful Year 7 students are leading a whole school challenge to collect as much food for our local food banks as possible in advance of the summer holidays. Joseph Ruddock and Ethan Shirley attended an SLT meeting this week to speak to our senior leaders about the importance of supporting the food banks at this time. They explained that the summer holidays are a time of pressure for some families in our local area and how they would like the school to get involved. We look forward to hearing more from Joseph and Ethan about this initiative - watch this space for more information!

Learning:

Students of the Week

This week, our amazing winners are:

Aidan: Dominika Mis and Carolice Redford

Bede: Kenzie Wells and Wesley Okorie

Cuthbert: Badr Mohamed and Annabel Thorogood

Hilda: Noah Coates and Aimee Ratcliffe

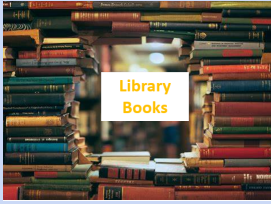
Margaret Clitherow: Lacey Duffield and Ahil Roy

Congratulations - we're all very proud of you.

Key Stage 3 assessments

KS3 assessments continue next week. Assessments will help to inform the cycle three data report which will be sent home later in the term. Below is a link to the school website where you can find a series of videos providing tips and information to support your son/daughter with their revision:

[Family Learning - St. Wilfrid's R.C. College \(st-wilfrids.org\)](http://st-wilfrids.org)



Renewal of Library Books

Please can all students search at home for any overdue school library books and bring them into school to be renewed. It's really important that we keep track of our stock so that we can continue to use our local school library service. All library books need to be returned or renewed before the summer holidays.

Support:

Y10 Information evening for parents and carers.

We would like to invite parents and carers of all Year 10 students to join us for a Year 11 Guidance Evening on Thursday 6th July.

We recognise that Year 11 is a demanding year for our students and we would like to take the opportunity to outline the support we have in place for our students in the next academic year. During this evening we will provide information on how students can best prepare for external examinations, strategies for parents to support this and guidance on applying to join our Sixth Form.

We do hope that you will be able to join us for this event.

The Nissan Academy

The Nissan Academy is a new and exciting opportunity which has just presented itself exclusively to Year 9. (The pupils will be in Year 10 when the course begins). Nissan along with Sunderland College and St. Wilfrid's, are planning to deliver an Engineering course using exactly the same model as the Building Careers Programme. The pupils will study a Level 2 qualification in Engineering (2x GCSE equivalent). In addition, and during the two days at Sunderland College, the course would include high quality work experience at Nissan over the two-year period, and bespoke support from Nissan in delivering the BTEC Engineering qualification. A standout feature is that Nissan will work extremely closely with the college in developing attributes they expect of future employees. The programme will be able to build these elements into the curriculum, developing the students along skill lines exactly the way Nissan wants. This gives students a great advantage to get ahead at an early age through skills that allow them to excel in an increasingly competitive jobs market.

The Nissan Academy has a unique structure in the way it blends vocational learning with academic education targeted specifically at 14–16 year-olds. By mixing academic and practical skills, it is instantly putting its students on the front foot with one of the region's biggest employers should they wish to pursue an Apprenticeship or future career with Nissan.



[Nissan Academy launched at City Campus - Sunderland College](#)

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Next week:

Year 9 - Tynecoast College will be delivering a session entitled 'Vocational versus Academic'.

Key dates / upcoming events:

- Next week is week TWO of the timetable.
- Year 10 Parents' Evening is on Wednesday 28 June. **School will finish at 2.10pm for all students on this day.** Parents of Y10 students should have received information about how to book appointments with teachers.
- School Colours Portfolio Deadline - Monday 26th June
- Year 10 Work Experience Week - Monday 17th July to Friday 21st July.
- Activities Week (Year 7/8/9/12) - Monday 17th July to Friday 21st July.

Year 6 SEND Transition Open Evening 2023

Come and meet the team on Tuesday 27th June from 5pm-6pm.

On the evening you will be able to meet the SENDCo, Assistant SENDCo and key members of the support team. There will be a talk from the SENDCo with the aims of:

- Introducing the SEND team.
- Welcoming parents to the school.
- Informing you about SEND at St Wilfrid's.
- Providing opportunities to discuss any issues regarding transition.

We really look forward to welcoming you all!

Sixth Form:

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Year 12 - UCAS login / Profile completion / One-to-one sessions with drafts