

# IN TOUCH



## MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

As you will know, we were visited by a team from the Catholic Schools Inspectorate (CSI) on 8-9 May. Their final report was sent through to us this week and I'm delighted to share it with you. The inspectors were full of praise for our school and, once again, rated the school 'Outstanding'.

I'd like to extend my thanks to all of you who took the time to share your feedback with the inspectors, particularly those of you who came into school to meet with them.

The full report is now published on our [website](#) and you are welcome to share it with anyone and everyone that you know!

# IT'S OFFICIAL! WE ARE AN OUTSTANDING SCHOOL



## KEY DATES

- 17<sup>th</sup> June – SJBC Debate Competition (1<sup>st</sup> edition!)
- 19<sup>th</sup> June - Sports Awards Evening
- 20<sup>th</sup> June – Year 11 Prom
- 23<sup>rd</sup> June – launch of SJBC Equipment Packs
- 26<sup>th</sup> June – Year 13 Prom
- 30<sup>th</sup> June - Year 7 – 10 and 12 PPE2 End of Year Exams







We are proud to share the results of our recent CSI inspection, which highlights the outstanding work happening every day at our school. You can read the full report [here](#).



**“Staff and leaders enact the words of St John Bosco in ensuring that students know they are loved.”**



**“Students, including those who are disadvantaged and those with SEND, consistently make considerable progress across all age groups.”**



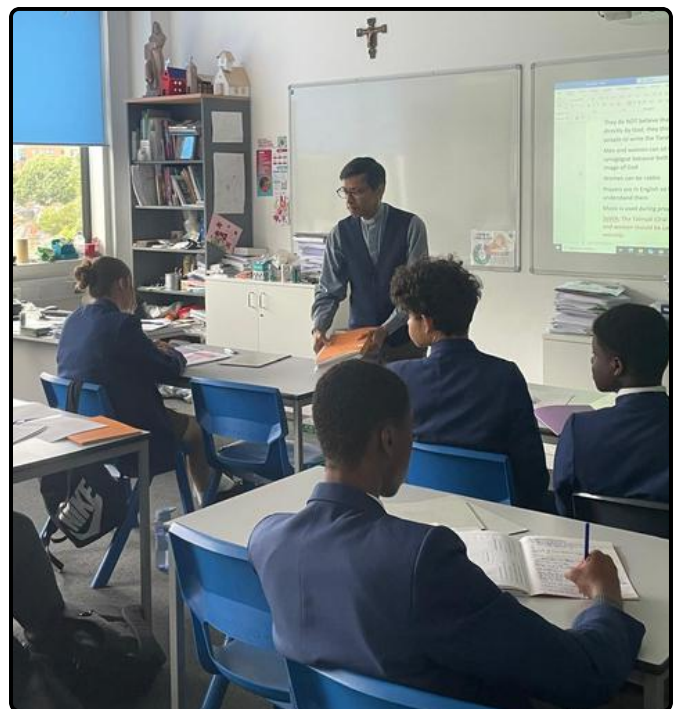
**“Students take pride in their school and readily share the positive impact it has on their lives.”**





**“Confident in their learning, students use key concepts and subject-specific vocabulary fluently, asking insightful questions that demonstrate their curiosity.”**

**“Independent learning is encouraged, with students taking initiative... Their work is of high quality, displaying excellent presentation, creativity, and individuality.”**



**“The school community demonstrates inclusivity in all aspects of daily life.”**



**“There is a dynamic and creative vision for religious education in which the students’ experience and learning is placed at the heart of decision making.”**



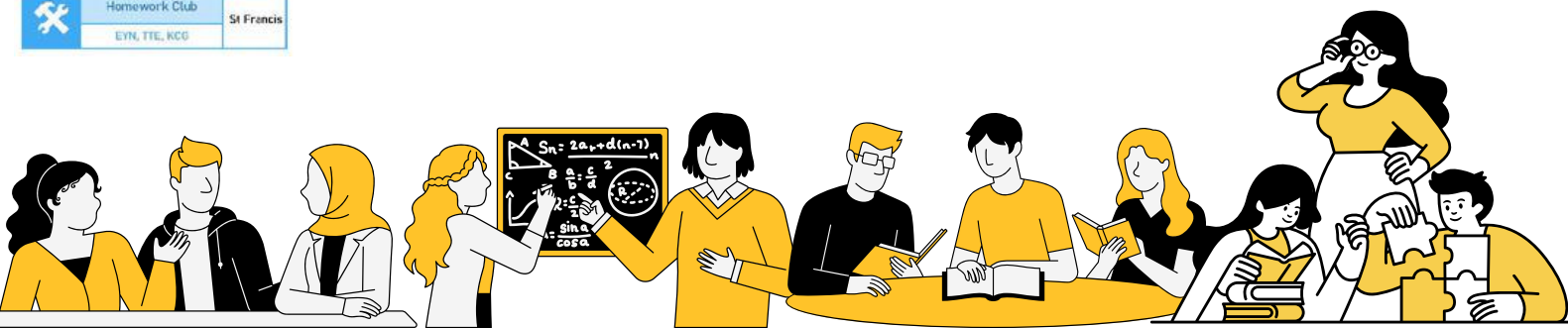
# WANDSWORTH LONDON YOUTH GAMES BADMINTON TRIALS – CONGRATULATIONS!

This Tuesday, five of our students took part in the trials for the Wandsworth London Youth Games Badminton Team. We are proud of Jitesh, Jaquan, Godswill, Adrian and Halil for showing courage, skill and commitment by stepping forward to represent our school at borough level.



A reminder to all students: attending extra-curricular sports clubs could open up exciting opportunities like this – including potential selection for trials in your chosen sport. Get involved!

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<div>🎵 Pop-rock Band</div> <div>Mr Corli</div> <div>Chapel</div>	<div>🐾 Access Oxbridge</div> <div>Ms Coppinger</div> <div>3.09</div>	<div>🗨️ Debate Mate (KS4&amp;5)</div> <div>Ms Hallmark</div> <div>Board Room</div>	<div>🎵 Church Choir &amp; Band</div> <div>Mr Berner</div> <div>Chapel</div>	<div>🎵 Dungeons &amp; Dragons</div> <div>Ms Donatison</div> <div>1.29</div>
<div>🗨️ Chess Club</div> <div>Ms Verrinder</div> <div>1.08</div>	<div>🎵 Crochet Club</div> <div>Ms Kenneally</div> <div>2.04</div>	<div>🏐 Netball Club</div> <div>Ms Asante</div> <div>Sports Hall</div>	<div>🏆 Duke of Edinburgh</div> <div>Ms Post</div> <div>2.21 (Lunch Time)</div>	<div>🗨️ Debate Mate (KS3)</div> <div>Ms Hallmark</div> <div>Board Room</div>
<div>🏆 Athletics Club</div> <div>Mr Parke</div> <div>MUGA</div>	<div>🎵 Jazz Band</div> <div>Mr Rietkirk</div> <div>Chapel</div>	<div>🔧 Robotics Club</div> <div>Ms Perrineau-Daley</div> <div>1.1</div>	<div>🏆 Girls Football</div> <div>Ms Louis</div> <div>Sports Hall</div>	<div>🏆 Badminton</div> <div>Mr Parke</div> <div>Sports Hall</div>
<div>🏆 Flag Football</div> <div>Ms Louis</div> <div>Sports Hall</div>	<div>🏆 Boys Football Club</div> <div>Mr Rowland</div> <div>MUGA</div>	<div>🔧 Touch Typing</div> <div>Ms Wojciehowska</div> <div>Library</div>	<div>📖 Comics Club</div> <div>Mr Di Paola</div> <div>1.24</div>	
<div>🏆 Latin America Society</div> <div>Ms Sandoval</div> <div>2.09</div>	<div>🔧 Homework Club</div> <div>CAN, VDN, MCA</div> <div>St Francis</div>		<div>🔧 Homework Club</div> <div>AGK, JTS, JHD</div> <div>St Francis</div>	
<div>🏆 Volleyball</div> <div>Ms Post</div> <div>Sports Hall</div>	<div>🔧 Maths Past Paper Society</div> <div>Ms Haigh</div> <div>1.05</div>		<div>🔧 Year 7&amp;8 Science Club</div> <div>Mr Bushnell</div> <div>2.27</div>	
<div>🔧 Coding Club</div> <div>Ms Murugan</div> <div>1.09</div>				
<div>🔧 Homework Club</div> <div>EYN, TTE, KCG</div> <div>St Francis</div>				





## BOOK CLUB BEGINS!

Last week saw the exciting launch of our new and exclusive Book Club, bringing together a lovely group of enthusiastic Year 7 and 8 readers. The chosen book for this term is *Wonder* by R.J. Palacio – a moving and thought-provoking story that our students were eager to dive into.



The group will be reading the first 100 pages this week before meeting again next week to share thoughts and reflections. We've already heard whispers that some keen readers couldn't resist reading ahead!

Of course, no book club would be complete without some well-earned biscuits and juice – the perfect accompaniment to a good story.



If the club proves popular, we hope to expand it to include more students in the future. Any students or staff interested in joining are warmly encouraged to speak to Ms Lovelock-Lilley or Mrs Wojciechowska.



Our Year 10 GCSE PE students recently visited the historic Herne Hill Velodrome to develop key cycling skills ahead of their practical moderation.

They rode specialist track bikes on the professional circuit, learning how to ride confidently on the banked track and gaining valuable technical and tactical skills.



The day was a brilliant mix of learning, progress, and teamwork—and the skills gained will count directly towards their final GCSE assessment.



## GIRLS TAKE THE FIELD WITH NFL STAR FOR FLAG FOOTBALL DAY



It was an incredible day of sport for our girls, as they took part in their first-ever competitive flag football matches. Having previously focused on skills development, this was their first time putting their training into action through live gameplay.

Students learned the basics of offensive and defensive strategies, with teams rotating roles throughout the session. Adding to the excitement, the girls had the unique opportunity to meet NFL legend Charles “Peanut” Tillman, known for his iconic “Peanut Punch” play during his time with the Chicago Bears.

There were some fantastic throws, impressive runs, and plenty of determination on show. While no championship ring was won (this time!), the experience left our students inspired, and eager to train harder for the next tournament in July.

Flag Football Club now runs every Monday after school and is open to all girls across all year groups—no experience needed, just enthusiasm and a willingness to get involved!





## YR 8 TRIP TO ST ALBANS

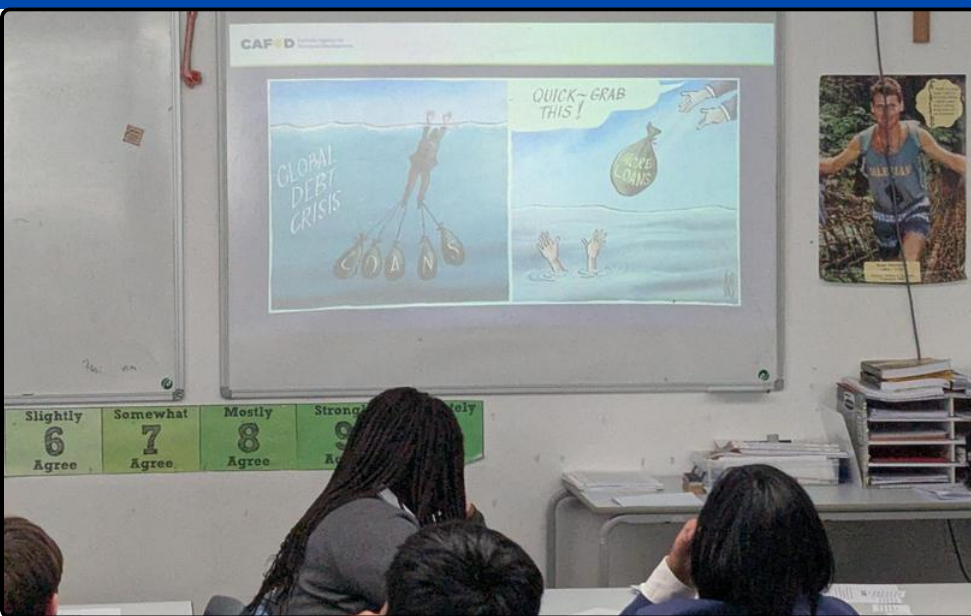
As part of their study of how Christianity came to England, Year 8 students have been looking at the life of St Alban and how he saved the life of a Catholic priest in the third century. As a result, St Alban became the first English martyr to give up his life for Christ.



The Education Dept of St Alban's Cathedral ran a very informative workshop for our Year 8 students who explored the life of St Alban in more detail. This was coupled with a visit to the shrine of St Alban where students were offered the opportunity to pray.







Some of our Year 8 and 9 students took part in a powerful session exploring CAFOD's "Cancel the Debt" campaign, which aims to end the burden of international debt for some of the world's poorest countries.



As part of their RE lessons, students will be writing letters to our local MP, Marsha De Cordova, urging her to raise this important issue in Parliament. It's a great example of our young people putting their faith into action and using their voices to stand up for global justice.

Students who wish to get further involved can also sign the online petition – the link has been shared via Teams.





## YEAR 9 AND 10 RETREAT AT SAVIO HOUSE

Students from year 9 and year 10 made the two-hour train journey up to the Cheshire village of Bollington to spend two days on retreat at Savio House, the Salesian Retreat Centre. The theme of the retreat was 'Rise Up' and everyone enjoyed the chance to spend time together praying and reflecting on this theme as well as having fun together.



One of the highlights of the trip was the arduous walk up to the top of White Nancy, the big hill overlooking the village and whilst there was a lot of huffing and puffing everyone made it safely up and back down the hill! They say an army marches on its stomach and Miss Addai meant sure that everyone was well fed each day – her Jellof Rice is the best!




Big thank you to Miss Addai for organising the trip, and to all the staff who helped make it so memorable.



# WHOLE SCHOOL EXAMS BEGIN 30TH JUNE!

A reminder that end-of-year exams (PPEs) for Years 7–10 and 12 begin on **Monday 30th June**. Students should now be revising 1.5 - 2 hours per day, including weekends.

 **This should be a mix of subjects, with regular breaks – for example:**

- ☐ 30 - 40 mins revision
  - ☐ 10 min break
  - ☐ Another 30 - 40 mins
- (aim for 3 subjects per day).

**ALL REVISION MATERIALS ARE AVAILABLE VIA STUDENTS' MS TEAMS SUBJECT CHANNELS.**

 **5 Ways You Can Support Your Child's Revision:**

- ☐ Help them create a simple daily revision timetable and stick it on the fridge.
- ☐ Check they have a quiet space to work without distractions.
- ☐ Encourage screen-free breaks to rest their eyes and minds.
- ☐ Offer to quiz them using flashcards or topic questions.
- ☐ Celebrate their effort – a snack or praise goes a long way!



Year 7 PPE Timetable

Year 7 - RUA Hall				
Monday 30th June	Tuesday 1st July	Wed 2nd July	Thursday 3rd July	Friday 4th July
Arrive for 8:35am Whole School Line Up				
Period 1 lessons	Period 1 lessons	Period 1 lessons	Period 1 lessons	Reading Age Assessment
Period 2 lessons	Period 2 lessons	Period 2 lessons	Period 2 lessons	
Break Time 10:30 - 10:45am				
Whole School Line Up 10:45am				
Period 3 - Exam Maths	Period 3 - Exam RE	Period 3 - Exam English	Period 3 - Exam History	Period 3 - Exam Science
Period 4 - Exam DT/Food	Period 4 - Exam MFL	Period 4 - Exam Geography	Period 4 - Exam PE	Period 4 - Exam Computing
Family Lunch Period 5				
13:50 Whole School Line Up, 14:00 Dismissal				

Year 8 PPE Timetable

Year 8 - Sports Hall				
Monday 30th June	Tuesday 1st July	Wed 2nd July	Thursday 3rd July	Friday 4th July
Arrive for 8:35am Whole School Line Up				
Reading Age Assessment	Period 1 lessons	Period 1 lessons	Period 1 lessons	Period 1 lessons
	Period 2 lessons	Period 2 lessons	Period 2 lessons	Period 2 lessons
Break Time 10:30 - 10:45am				
Whole School Line Up 10:45am				
Period 3 - Exam History	Period 3 - Exam Science	Period 3 - Exam Maths	Period 3 - Exam English	Period 3 - Exam DT/Food
Period 4 - Exam RE	Period 4 - Exam MFL	Period 4 - Exam Computing	Period 4 - Exam PE	Period 4 - Exam Geography
Family Lunch Period 5				
13:50 Whole School Line Up, 14:00 Dismissal				

Year 9 PPE Timetable

Year 9 - Sports Hall				
Monday 30th June	Tuesday 1st July	Wed 2nd July	Thursday 3rd July	Friday 4th July
Arrive for 8:35am Whole School Line Up				
Period 1 lessons	Period 1 - Exam Science 1	Period 1&2 - Exam Drama / Music / Art / DT / Food exam in lesson	Reading Age Assessment	Period 1 lessons
Period 2 lessons	Period 2 Exam Computing			Period 2 lessons
Break Time 10:30 - 10:45am				
Whole School Line Up 10:45am				
Period 3 - Exam English	Period 3&4 - Exam Drama / Music / Art / DT / Food exam in lesson	Period 3 - Exam RE	Period 3 - Exam Maths	Period 3 - Exam Science 2
Period 4 - Exam Geography		Period 4 - Exam PE	Period 4 - Exam History	Period 4 - Exam MFL
Family Lunch Period 5				
13:50 Whole School Line Up, 14:00 Dismissal				

Year 10 PPE Timetable

Year 10				
Monday 30th June	Tuesday 1st July	Wed 2nd July	Thursday 3rd July	Friday 4th July
Arrive for 8:35am Whole School Line Up				
Exam 9:00 Science - Biology	Exam 9:00 Maths (Non - Calc)	Exam 9:00 Science - Chemistry	Exam 9:00 Maths (Calculator)	Exam 9:00 Science - Physics
Break Time - 10:30 - 10:45				
Whole School Line Up 10:45am				
Portuguese Listening Exam	French Listening Exam	Further Maths / Polish Listening Exam	Spanish Listening Exam	Reading Age Assessment
Extended Period 3 Lessons 11:00 - 12:10				
Lunch 12:10 - 12:40				
Exam Line Up 12:40 Playground				
Exam 13:00 English Literature	Exam 13:00 RE	Exam 13:00 Option A Creative iMedia, DT, Spanish, Geography, French, History, Hospitality & Catering	Exam 13:00 Option C Computing, Art, PE, History, Performing Arts, Sociology, DT	Exam 13:00 Option B Portuguese, Business Studies, Music, DT, Psychology, Art, Geography

Year 12 June PPE Timetable

YEAR 12				
Monday 23rd June	Tuesday 24th June	Wednesday 25th June	Thursday 26th June	Friday 27th June
Morning Exams				
8:40 Line Up				
Exam 9:00 Option D & E Maths, History, Geography	Exam 9:00 Option C Sociology, DT	Exam 9:00 Option B Psychology	Exam 9:00 Option A Government and Politics, Spanish	Exam 9:00 Option E Philosophy & Ethics, Art, Maths
Afternoon Exams				
Exam Line Up 12:40 Covered Area				
Exam 13:00 Option B Psychology, Photography	Exam 13:00 Option A English, Government and Politics, Spanish	Exam 13:00 Option D History, Geography	Exam 13:00 Option C Sociology, DT	

