

IN TOUCH



MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

It has been a real pleasure to welcome students back to St John Bosco College for the start of a new academic year. There is always a strong sense of possibility at this point in the year, and we look forward with confidence and optimism to the opportunities, challenges and successes that lie ahead.

This edition gives us the opportunity to celebrate some excellent individual and collective examination achievements from the summer. Particular mention must be made of our top achievers Jozy, Darina, Divine, Elliot and Ethan, and Aicha. These are impressive personal achievements and a fitting reward for the hard work of the students involved.

It was lovely to welcome our new Year 7 students and their families at Friday's Welcome Mass and Family BBQ. Thank you to all the parents and carers who joined us; events such as this are an important part of helping students and families feel settled and connected as they begin their time at SJBC.

Looking ahead, we are already preparing for two important events in the school calendar. Our Prize Evening will take place on Thursday 24 September, when we will celebrate the achievements of students across the school. This will be followed by our Open Evening on Thursday 1 October, when we will welcome prospective students and families to see the school in action. If you know families who are currently considering secondary school choices, please do encourage them to come along to the Open Evening and help us spread the word about St John Bosco College.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. I look forward to working with you throughout what I hope will be a positive and successful year for all our students.



"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to give you hope and a future."
Jeremiah 29:11

As we begin a new school year, we welcome the opportunity for a fresh start and all that lies ahead. Inspired by the Salesian spirit, may we build a community where everyone feels known, valued and supported. Through Respect, Understanding, Affection and Humour, may we learn together, encourage one another and bring joy and kindness to each day.

KEY DATES

- **Monday 14 September - Year 7 Talk the Talk Oracy Workshop**
- **Thursday 24 September - Prize Evening (18:00-19:00), school closes early 13:50**
- **Thursday 1 October - Open Evening (17:00-19:00) - early finish at 13:50**

2026		SEPTEMBER					
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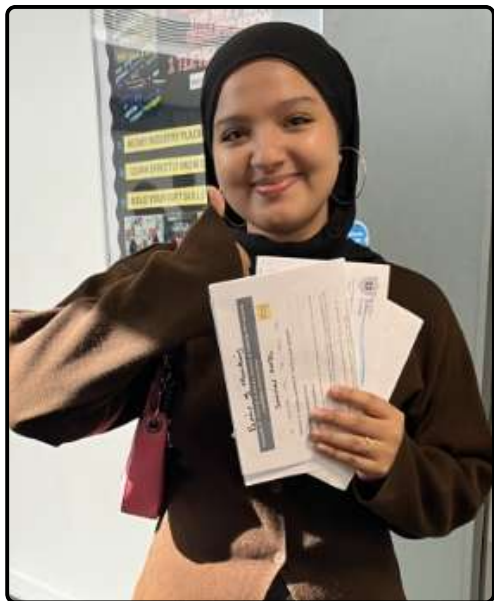


CELEBRATING OUR RESULTS

We were delighted to celebrate with our senior students this summer when they received their exam results after the anxious wait throughout July and August.

There were lots of stories to celebrate with our year 13 students getting into the universities and apprenticeships of their choice and many of our year 11 students excelling with the very top GCSE grades.

Foremost amongst these amazing success stories was Jozy, who achieved nine grade 9s and not far behind him was Darina with eight grade 9s. Divine, Elliot and Ethan achieved an incredible 23 grades 7–9 between them, while Aicha achieved five grades 7–9. Many other students excelled with and their results reflect sustained effort, excellent teaching and the support of families working in partnership with us. Our Catholic Salesian ethos encourages every young person to aim high, and it is wonderful to see this reflected in their achievements.



Our senior students have shown tremendous perseverance and maturity throughout their A Level, Vocational and GCSE journeys, and these results are a fitting reward for their hard work. We are grateful to our staff and parents for their unwavering support and we are especially pleased that the majority of our Year 11 will continue their journey with us in our Sixth Form this year.

Our Chair of Governors, Jane Hargrave, added: “We are incredibly proud of the achievements of our students. These results reflect the values, ambition and sense of community that are at the heart of St John Bosco College.”

Congratulations to all our Year 11 and Year 13 students. We are incredibly proud of you and wish you every success as you take your next steps!



Bring every day



- Equipment pack



- Knowledge organiser



- Pencil case with spare pens and pencils



- Timetable

On PE or Cooking days



- Bring the correct PE kit



- Bring any equipment or ingredients needed for Cooking

Do NOT bring



- No prohibited items
- No fizzy drinks
- No chewing gum

KEEP OUR SCHOOL
SAFE, HEALTHY
AND FOCUSED

Snacks and drinks



- Snacks must be single portions only
- No family-size drinks
- No large packets of biscuits or crisps
- No sharing bags of sweets / Haribo



These items will be confiscated
and will not be returned.

Money in school



- We strongly encourage students not to bring cash
- Please top up ParentPay online instead

A safer, simpler
way to pay.



Please check your child each morning:
uniform, equipment, timetable, and suitable food and drink.

Small
preparation
makes a big
difference!

RESPECT | KINDNESS | ASPIRATION | BELONGING

In the tradition of St John Bosco

HAVE YOUR SAY: THE BIG FUTURE NATIONAL SURVEY



The Children's Commissioner for England, Dame Rachel de Souza, is inviting children and young people across the country to take part in The Big Future, a national survey designed to hear directly about their experiences, views and aspirations for the future.

Hundreds of thousands of young people have already taken part, and we would like to encourage our students to add their voices too. The findings will be shared with the Government and will help build a picture of what matters most to children and young people today. Every young person's voice matters, and this is an important opportunity for our students to have their say.

The survey can be completed here:

<https://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/thebigfuture>

THE SEAN DEVEREUX CHILDREN'S FUND

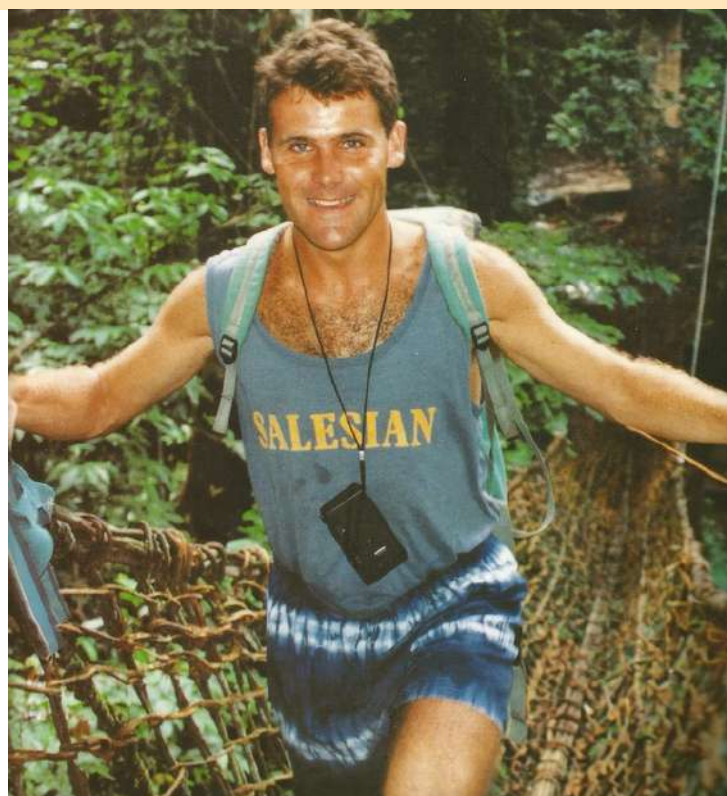
"SEPTEMBER COFFEE & TEA FUNDRAISER"

(in association with Fortüne Coffee)



The Sean Devereux Children's Fund has a very special connection with St John Bosco College. One of our specialist ASD bases, the Devereux Centre, is named in Sean's memory, and our students have supported the charity through fundraising in the past.

Last year, SJBC students raised more than £400 through the "Walk for Sean", and representatives from the Fund, including Sean's mother, visited the school and met students in our Devereux Centre.



This September, the charity is running a simple Coffee/Tea Fundraiser. Families, friends and workplaces are invited to keep a tally of the cups of tea and coffee they drink during September and then make a donation of their choice for each cup. All money raised supports the education and welfare projects run by the Sean Devereux Children's Fund, particularly its work with children in Liberia.

We would love our SJBC families to get involved. It could be as simple as keeping a tally at home throughout September, involving colleagues at work, or encouraging friends and family to join you. It is a lovely way for our community to continue supporting a charity that has such a meaningful connection with our school and with Sean's legacy of service to young people.

[Find out more and take part in the Sean Devereux Children's Fund September fundraiser](#)

KS4

Learn better, faster, free.

- Business
- Computer Science,
- DT,
- English,
- History,
- Science,
- Social Science,

KS3



Learn better, faster, free.

- Science,
- Computer Science

Maths Homework Resources for KS3 and KS4



MyGCSE Science for KS4 science



Seneca a comprehensive platform designed to enhance students' understanding and retention of information.



Sparx is the primary platform for Maths, providing interactive lessons tailored to meet each student's learning needs effectively.



My GCSE Science is a Learning Platform with Premium video tutorials, exam-style questions and revision resources.

visit our
homework page





We're using Arbor's free Parent Portal and Arbor App

We've chosen Arbor to help us manage our school.

Arbor is a simple, smart and cloud-based MIS (Management Information System), which helps us work faster, smarter and more collaboratively as a school. The Arbor App and Parent Portal mean we can keep you informed about your child's life at school in a much more accessible way. Log into Arbor to see and update your child's information, get live updates and make payments or bookings on the go! The Parent Portal works on Google Chrome (computer or laptop) and you can download the Arbor App from the App Store or Google Play Store on your phone (Android 5.0; iOS 10.0 and upwards).

How to get started

- 1.Wait for your welcome email from us telling you Arbor is ready - you won't be able to log in before
- 2.Click the link in your welcome email to set up your password
- 3.Go to the App or Google Play Store on your phone and search 'Arbor'
- 4.Click 'Install' on Android or 'Get' on iPhone then open the App
- 5.Enter your email, select the school, then enter your password
- 6.Accept the Terms & Conditions and enter your child's birthday

The Sunnyville School of Magic
W10 5BN, London, GBR

Enter your password

Log in

Forgotten password?

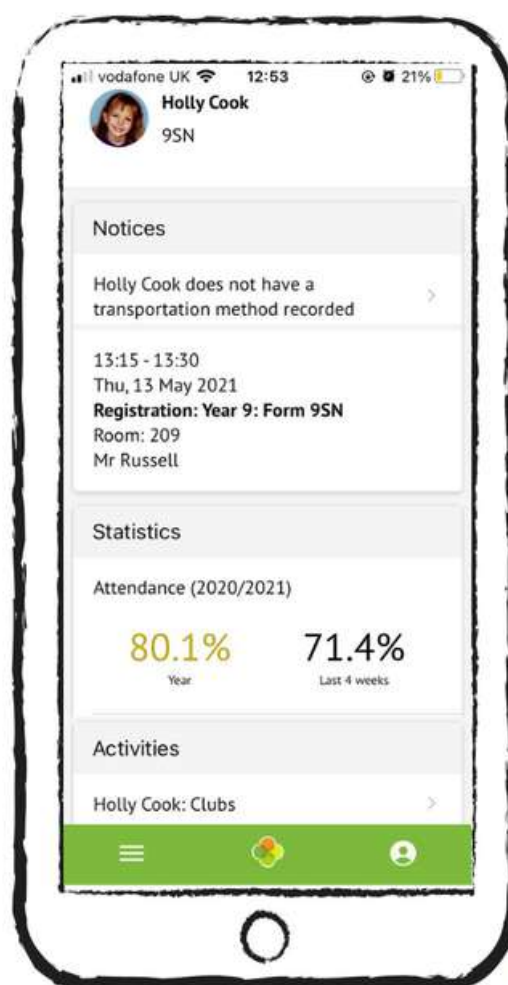
Need help using Arbor?

Contact the school office if you have questions about Arbor, the App or Parent Portal. Tell us the type and model of your phone, e.g. an iPhone SE, and include screenshots or screen recordings.

To safeguard student data in line with General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR), Arbor only works directly with schools.

Some tips to try:

- 1.Ensure your username is the email address you use for Arbor. Ask us to check the email address linked to your account.
- 2.Reset your password from the login page, or ask us to do this.
- 3.If the login email was sent to you more than 96 hours ago, the password link will have expired. Ask us to send it again.
- 4.Ask the school office to check that your email address has not been used twice - e.g. on another guardian or child's profile.
- 5.Enter the birthday of one of your children to log in.
- 6.Only relatives who are **Primary Guardians** of a child can access the Arbor App. Ask us to check you can access Arbor.





SCAN AND JOIN THE SJBC PTFA WHATSAPP GROUP FOR ALL INFORMATION, EVENTS AND MESSAGES FROM THE SCHOOL.



SJBC PTFA
WhatsApp group



As parents, you are **AUTOMATICALLY** members of the PTFA... your voice counts.

The PTFA is a mixture of parents and friends of the school, who work together for the benefit of St John Bosco College.

Some are full-time parents; some work part-time or work full-time.

NONE of us are specialists in fundraising.

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1

YOU'LL FEEL MORE CONNECTED

- There's no better way to know what events are being planned, have your say or make new fundraising suggestions, than by offering your help and support.

2

YOU'LL BE PART OF A GREAT NETWORK

- Every PTFA event is an opportunity to meet other parents in the same situation as you.
- You will be part of a like-minded network of people who all share a common goal of improving the school for all our children.

3

MAKE A DIFFERENCE

- By volunteering to help the PTFA, you'll be able to use whatever skills you have for a noble cause.
- Our PTFA strives to establish a supportive and encouraging community for the entire school.

4

WHAT THE PTFA DOES AFFECTS EVERY PARENT (AND STUDENT)

- Your voice matters – the PTFA is made up of people elected to represent you, so help us to do this effectively.
- Your ideas and involvement can help improve the quality of education for all the children at our school.

5

IT'S FUN!

- Help plan fun events, socials and get-togethers
- Suggest NEW fun ways to raise funds
- Get your whole family involved!

