

# IN TOUCH



## MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

I am delighted to welcome you to this week's edition of "In Touch."

On Saturday, it was a special day as we celebrated World Teachers' Day. It is a wonderful opportunity to express our gratitude and appreciation for the dedication and hard work of our teachers, who play a pivotal role in shaping the future of our students. It is also a chance for us, as a Salesian Community to pray for our colleagues working with young people across the globe, particularly those in countries affected by war, such as our sister schools in the Middle East.

### KOREAN VISIT

This week we were delighted to host a group of teachers and students from Korea to our school. The visit is part of a project that has been running online between students aged 14-15 in both schools for a number of months. It has provided a unique opportunity for our students to learn about Korean culture and education, fostering a spirit of global understanding and cooperation.

### BLACK HISTORY MONTH

As parents will know, October is Black History Month, and we are excited to welcome the founder of Black History Month in the UK, Ghanaian analyst, journalist and pan-African activist Akyaaba Addai-Sebo back to SJBC next week to give a further series of talks to students about the importance of racial equality and diversity.



## KEY DATES

**Tuesday 15th October**

**Thursday 17th October**

**Thursday 24th October**



PTFA Meeting (6:00pm)

6th Form Open Evening (4:30 - 7:00pm)  
School finishes early (2:40)

Year 7 & 10 Tutor/Student/Parent Meeting  
(4:15 - 6:30pm)

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# 24TH OCTOBER - YEAR 7 AND 10 PARENT TUTOR PUPIL MEETING

We would like to invite you and your child to attend our **Year 7 and 10 Parent/Tutor Evening** on **Thursday 24th October 2024, 4.00 pm - 5.30pm**, at St John Bosco College. The evening is a chance for year 7 parents to meet their child's form tutor and to discuss how they have settled into secondary school, and for year 10 parents to discuss the start to their GCSE studies amongst other things.

## YEAR 7

The Year 7 evening will start at **4:00pm** with a Headteachers welcome and information in the RUA Hall, followed by the Literacy, Numeracy and Homework information from other members of the Senior Leadership Team.

Appointments with your child's tutor will follow the workshops and will need to be booked via your child at **4:20pm, 4:35pm, 4:50pm, 5:05pm and 5:20pm**.

Your child can book these appointments from the week commencing Monday, 14th October.

## YEAR 10

The Year 10 evening will start at **5:00pm** with the Headteachers Welcome in the RUA Hall, followed by information presented by members of our Senior Leadership Team.

Appointments with your child's tutor will follow the workshops and will need to be booked via your child at **5:20pm, 5:35pm, 5:50pm, 6:05pm and 6:20pm**.

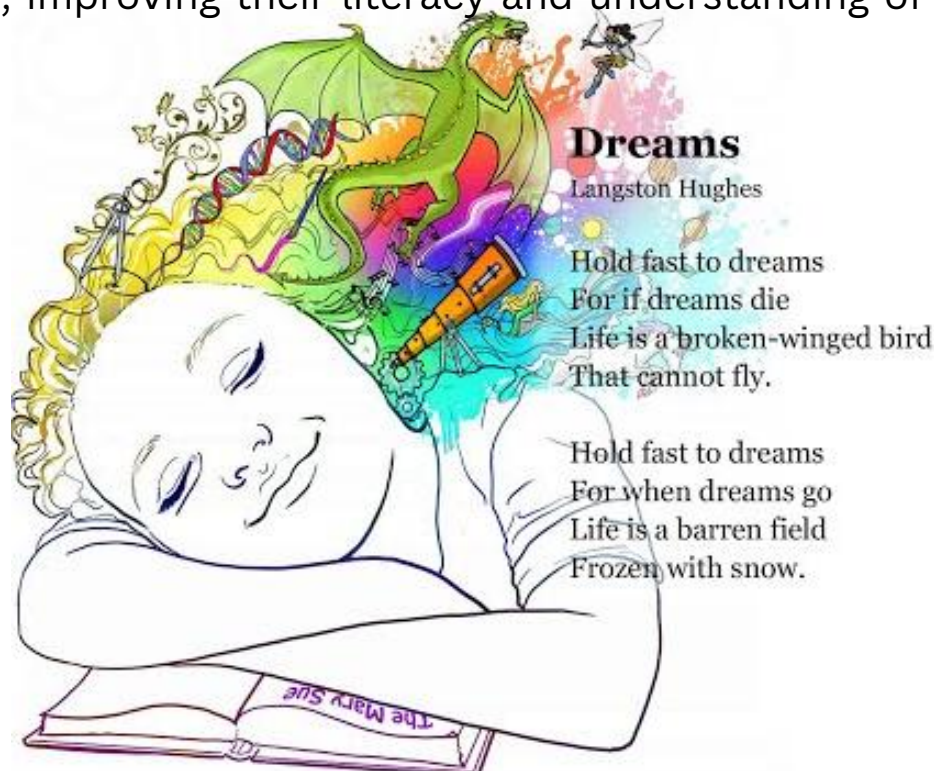
Your child can book these appointments from the week commencing Monday, 14th October.

We look forward to seeing you on Thursday 24th October, 4.00-5.30pm, at St John Bosco College.

## NATIONAL POETRY WEEK

This week, we have been celebrating National Poetry Week at school, engaging students with the beauty and power of poetry. Reading poetry is not only enjoyable, but it also helps teens develop essential skills like critical thinking, creativity, and emotional expression. Poetry encourages young readers to explore language in new ways, improving their literacy and understanding of complex ideas and emotions.

Parents can support this by reading poems together at home, discussing favourite lines, and even encouraging their teens to try writing their own poetry. Sharing this creative experience can help foster a deeper love for literature.







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Bosco  
College**

Come and meet our friendly staff  
and employers to discuss  
the best subject options and  
career pathways.

Choose from a selection of  
**A levels, T levels,  
Vocational courses**  
and experience our fantastic  
facilities with a personalised tour.



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## **ST JOHN BOSCO COLLEGE SIXTH FORM OPEN EVENING**

**THURSDAY 17TH OCTOBER  
FROM 4:30PM TO 7:00PM**



Parkham Street, Battersea, London SW11 3DQ  
[www.sjbc.wandsworth.sch.uk](http://www.sjbc.wandsworth.sch.uk) Telephone: 0207 924 8310

## **BIKE MARKING**

Register Your Bike with your  
local officers at ST Mary's Battersea  
Church to prevent your bicycle  
from being stolen.



### **DATE**

Wed 9th October 2024

### **TIME**

12:00 - 13:00

### **PLACE**

ST Mary's Battersea  
Church, The Moorings,  
Battersea Church Road,  
SW11 3NA

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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.

