



SCHOOL NEWS

ST NICHOLAS CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

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Meet Mairie, our School Chaplain ...

I am delighted to introduce this, our first edition of our new weekly newsletter here at St Nicholas. Each week we will be able to celebrate with you the many outstanding achievements of our students across the curriculum and beyond. We will also look to keep you updated of the many enrichment and information events here at the School and to continually highlight the importance of positive attendance and punctuality in supporting student learning.

As always, we would welcome your feedback on any aspect of life here at St Nicholas – please just contact us via the school office or the usual email addresses.

Finally, thanks to the students who have helped research and facilitate our newsletter becoming a reality, and to the team of staff who have designed and pulled the whole thing together!

HEADTEACHER

On Wednesday 20th September, we celebrated our whole school Mass. Everyone appreciated the opportunity to come together to give thanks for the restful summer and to look forward to the year ahead. The music and readings that were shared at Mass reminded us that we are never alone on life's journey.

Fr Paul described his visit to Fatima and the story of how Our Lady appeared to three poor young children during the First World War. He spoke about the hope that young people bring to the world and this was repeated in over one thousand prayer birds that had been made by the whole school. This idea came from the story of Sadako, who lived in Hiroshima at the time of the Second World War and who was the inspiration for the Children's' Peace Garden in Japan. Her determination to create something beautiful reminds us always to look for the good wherever we are. We sincerely thank all of our talented musicians, singers, readers and artists and all those people who worked so hard to create this memorable start to our school year.





ST NICHOLAS CATHOLIC SIXTH FORM

Sixth Form Open Evening

Wednesday 4th October 2017 6 - 8pm

- 24 A Level subjects available
- 51% A*-B grades 2017
- Average A Level Grade B-
- 40% of students progress to Russell Group Universities







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DON'T MISS OUT!



“Everyone Matters, so Attendance Matters.”

RESEARCH SUGGESTS that 17 missed school days a year = GCSE grade DROP in achievement.

**The greater the attendance
The greater the achievement!**



- Going to school regularly is important for your future.
- If you miss school frequently, you can fall behind with your learning and your examinations will be more difficult.
- Good attendance shows potential employers that you are reliable. Research suggests that children who attend school regularly could also be at less risk of getting involved in anti-social behavior or crime.
- Continuity of learning which makes progress and retention easier.
- Improved performance in coursework tasks.
- Enhanced performance in examinations
- Continuity of relationships and friendships.
- Good references for further education or employment.
- Good habits are formed for later life, for example in the workplace.
- It is illegal to miss school with no valid reason, persistent absence could lead to prosecution and a fine.

PERCENTAGE ATTENDANCE WEEKLY

90%	=	½ day
80%	=	1 day
70%	=	1 ½ days
60%	=	2 days
50%	=	2 ½ days
40%	=	3 days

PERCENTAGE ATTENDANCE YEARLY

97%	=	½ day
96%	=	2 weeks
90%	=	4 weeks
80%	=	8 weeks
70%	=	12 weeks
60%	=	16 weeks

*** As from September 2017 ***

Year Attendance	Bernadette	Camara	John Paul	Kolbe	Romero	Teresa	Vincent DePaul	Ward
7	99.34%	97.13%	98.85%	97.61%	99.88%	97.48%	99.76%	N/A
8	98.11%	98%	98.56%	98.16%	96.17%	96.28%	97%	N/A
9	90.50%	99.01%	97.47%	94.78%	96.33%	98.62%	97.36%	98.40%
10	99.26%	99.17%	97.66%	96.32%	97%	96.89%	94.36%	96.80%
11	98.08%	96.54%	95.89%	96.96%	96.15%	99.49%	94.74%	96.41%
Whole School	97.06%	98%	97.68%	96.74%	97.10%	97.70%	96.62%	96.61%

What's Happening

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SPORTS

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TUESDAY 3RD OCTOBER

- Netball Match Yrs 10 & 11 – at The Grange
- U15 Hockey Tournament – at The Grange
- Yrs 7, 8 & 10 Boys Football v Weaverham – at St Nicholas'



THURSDAY 5TH OCTOBER

- Yrs 8 & 10 Netball v Cransley – at St Nicholas'
- Yrs 9 & 11 Boys Football v Weaverham (at Weaverham High School)



GIRLS FOOTBALL PRACTICE
... all years
Every FRIDAY
3.15pm—4.15pm
(subject to change)

Don't FORGET!



BOYS FOOTBALL RESULTS ROUND 2

St Nicholas v Knutsford High last week

- Yr 7 won 4-2
- Yr 8 won 12-2
- Yr 9 won 3-0
- Yr 10 won 4-0

NOTE FOR YOUR DIARY...

PTFA holding a
Nachos & Chilli Evening
on Saturday 7th October
7.30pm til 11.30pm

ALL WELCOME!



Join
Our
Choir



