



COURAGE COURAGE

WE SPEND A LOT OF TIME WAITING. We wait for a bus, for the telephone to ring, for an apology, for an exam result, for everything that is really valuable. The men and women in the upper room at Pentecost had to wait. They did not know what to do next. Neither did they have the energy to do anything. Like the sediment in a turbulent river, they needed to be still and let life settle before they could see clearly what God was asking of them. Like a surfer waiting in the water, they needed to hope for a wave that would move them forward towards the shore and courage to move forward.

Our culture sometimes pushes people into action before the time is right, before the way is clear and the spirit has grown. Sometimes we are too busy making our plans to sense the plans and rhythm of God's life. When we look at life, everything that is really valuable is waited for, the birth of a baby, the touch of love, maturity, wisdom, new energy and deep peace. All of these things are gifts from a God who asks us to trust and have courage.



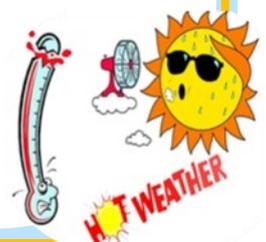
Bill Wood
Headteacher

NOTE TO PARENTS

The predicted weather for next week is **HOT and SUNNY!!** With this in mind, please ensure that your child is equipped with a **water bottle** and **sunscreen**.

Please also note that next **Tuesday 26th June** is **SPORTS DAY**

and temperatures are set to rise possibly as high as 30C! Students are therefore permitted to wear suitable headwear and sunglasses - **AND REMEMBER** to bring sunscreen for reapplication!!!)



INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

SCREENINGS

Romeo and Juliet

Year 9 and 10 are currently studying Romeo and Juliet for their GCSE and the Department would like to draw parents' attention to screenings by the Royal Shakespeare Company of a live performance of the play, broadcast in cinemas across the region on **18th July**.

See the story brought to life at the Curzon cinema in Knutsford, Storyhouse in Chester or Vue in Altrincham.

Visit www.rsc.org.uk for more details and locations: seeing the play performed by a renowned theatre company is an experience not to be missed!

ENGLISH DEPARTMENT

2018

PRIZE NIGHT
Thursday 28th June
Starts at 6.30pm



Please ensure that all reply slips for students receiving awards are returned as soon as possible.

NOMINATED STUDENTS will need to be in uniform and be in the **SPORTS HALL FOR 6PM.**

Parent Carer Forum Meeting

PCF
CWAC

THE NEXT PARENT CARER FORUM MEETING

is on **Monday 25th June**
at Chester Rugby Football Club, Hare Lane,
Littleton, Chester CH3 7DB.

It is open to all parents and carers of children/young people who have special needs or disabilities and it's free to attend.

Meet and greet at 9.15am with coffee/tea and biscuits.
Starts at 9.45am with lunch (provided) at 12 noon.

To book a place, go to <https://bookwhen.com/cwac-forum>



NEXT MEETING
Thursday 28th June
12.30pm - 1.00pm
Conference Room

Period: 11.6.2018 - 15.6.2018

Weekly attendance update

%	Bernadette	Camera	John Paul	Kolbe	Romero	Teresa	Vincent de Paul	Ward	Year Total
Year 7	96	97	94	95	98	93	96	N/A	96
Year 8	98	96	99	99	95	99	95	N/A	97
Year 9	95	98	100	99	97	97	97	98	97
Year 10	94	94	94	94	96	94	96	96	95
Year 11	46	48	50	50	48	49	47	47	48
Whole School	87	87	87	89	88	97	87	81	87

*Data includes 96% of students in each form.

"EVERYONE MATTERS, SO ATTENDANCE MATTERS."

ANOTHER SWIMMING SUCCESS FOR

Rory Armitt of 9 Romero

who successfully competed in the **North West Regional County Open Water Championships** at Salford Quays on Saturday 16th June.

He won **GOLD** in both 14 year old boy categories, swimming 3K!



AN AMAZING PROGRESS RESULT FOR

Abigail Gleave-Mayers of 7 Romero

who participated in the **World Karate Championships** from Thursday 14th - 17th June.

She is now ranked 12th in the world for her age for Kata and reached the quarter final (top 8 in the world) for Kumite fighting. Unfortunately, she lost out to a national champion from America.

Abigail has made amazing progress - she only started learning karate two years ago and has competed against 41 other countries and 2200 competitors!



Congratulations ...



The following students played exceptionally well:

YEAR 7

- Haydn Hills-Williams
- Ty Kaplan
- Charlie McKay
- Finlay Webster

YEAR 9

- Julia Jarvis
- Hannah Middlebrook

YEAR 8

- Tom Dean
- Luca Manfredi
- Matthew Power
- Harry Savage
- Alfie Smith
- Tilly Little
- Chloe Skelton

ST NICHOLAS vs HARTFORD HIGH

Thursday 14th June
The fixture finished with an **8 - 5 WIN** in matches to St Nicholas.



TENNIS

FRIDAY

GOODBYE-GOOD LUCK

29TH JUNE

FINAL GOODBYE TO YEAR 13



After weeks of exams and months of build up and preparation, we can say goodbye to our Year 13 students for the final time (until results day). The **Year 13 Leavers Ball** takes place at the **Crowne Plaza in Chester on Friday 29th June** ending seven years of being part of the St Nicholas family with a well earned dinner-dance. Students need to arrive at 7pm ready to be seated for 7.30pm.

On behalf of all the staff at St Nicholas', it has been a real pleasure to watch the students grow into the responsible young adults they are today, and we all wish them the very best of luck for the results day in the summer and with whatever their future holds.

Mr Bradley
Year Leader

A TRIP OUT TO MANCHESTER UNIVERSITY

On Friday 8th June,
twenty Year 10 MFL students went to
the University of Manchester
for a language enrichment day



MFL DEPARTMENT

"When we first arrived, along with three other schools, we went into a lecture hall for a talk on languages. It was explained how a degree in languages can help your career and talked about how employers value language degrees. After the lecture, we were taken to a computer suite, where we created subtitles in a different language for a short video. After lunch we were taken on a tour around the language department, the University campus and the student union. We then went on to work in language taster sessions where we learnt everyday phrases in Mandarin and Italian."

Celia Ball 10 Bernadette

"Overall I enjoyed this day and it has definitely caused me to rethink choices for university and A level."

Sophia Tomlinson 10 Kolbe

"We had a tour of the University with a student ambassador and we were able to ask her questions. We had a Chinese taster session and learned about different strokes. It was very interesting to see - it looked complicated at first but later it began to make sense to me."

Romero

Kirstelle Pringol 10

"I enjoyed listening to language students talk about their experiences and opportunities that came from taking a language degree. It helped me to understand that new languages can lead to different careers and I'd love to be able to go on a year abroad."

Zoe Burrage 10 Kolbe



GIFTED STUDENT, ALEX HOEKSTRA from 7 Bernadette,

an 11 year old with autism who is a talented composer and trumpet player, has just published a tutorial book *'Lord Alex's Musical Menagerie'* aimed at helping players of all ages and abilities. It has already gained widespread critical acclaim from leading players, conductors and composers. His book has also impressed academics too, with Edward Gregson, the former Principal of the RNCM, adding:

"Alex is clearly a talented musician. In this collection of short pieces based on animals of various kinds and dimensions, he has an intuitive understanding of how to turn their various characteristics into musical pictures. I look forward to seeing how he develops in the next few years, but he undoubtedly has a bright future ahead of him."



Big Heart Ball



The room looked wonderful, the food was fabulous, the atmosphere electric and a fantastic night was had by all! Thank you to everyone on the Ball Committee, all who helped on the day and everyone who attended for your support and enthusiasm. We made over £6,000 on the evening – a fabulous achievement. 25% of this will go to our charity ChAPS (Cheshire Autism Practical Support) and the remainder to PTFA funds so that we can supply the outdoor seating areas that our children are so anxiously awaiting. Auction and Prize-winners will soon be posted to our PTFA page (apologies for the delay, we are just catching our breath!).

DON'T FORGET TO GET YOUR TICKETS FOR OUR FABULOUS FASHION SHOW EVENING

- taking place next **FRIDAY 29th JUNE**

See our Facebook page for your chance to win 2 tickets, including 2 glasses of Prosecco and a gift each!

Ladies Fashion Show AND Pop-up Shop!

Friday 29th June 2018

Doors Open 6.30 pm. Show Starts 7.30 pm

*Tickets £6 including a glass of Fizz!
Come and browse the guest stalls before the show.
At least 100 different items available on the night,
including shoes, bags, accessories.
Clothing available in various sizes.
Tickets available via Parentpay.
Further details on our FB page.*

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Why not get a group of friends together for a girls' night out.
Fantastic High Street brands at up to 50% off!



Save the Date!



We are already taking bookings for this popular course!

First Priority Training will be delivering a 1 day Emergency First Aid at Work course on **Saturday 22nd September.**

The course will commence at 9.30 am and finish at 4pm with a 30 minute lunch break. Cost of the course is £65 pp and certificates are valid for 3 years. The course will be open to any student in Years 11, 12 and 13. It will also be open to adults and to students who move on to alternative further education venues in September.

Please give your name to *Mrs Hornsby* if you are interested in taking part.

BOOKING FORMS are now available on the PTFA web site - ONLY 12 PLACES AVAILABLE!

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