

## NEWSLETTER July 2018

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# Chaplaincy

Lord. Dake me a better person, Dore considerate towards others. Dore faithful to you. help me to find my true vocation in life and Grant that through it I might find happiness myself and bring happiness to others.

Amen.

### **Christian Union**

Christian Union was first set up by a small group of pupils who wanted a space to explore and grow in their Christian faith. It was decided at the time that this should be a student led group, which sixth formers would run overseen and supported by a member of the chaplaincy team. Sadly, with the departure of our year 11s we have struggled to keep numbers up this term. So if you have a Christian faith or want to explore Christianity more, then please join us in the new conference suite just off of the playground any Friday lunch time. We have lots of fun together whilst being able to talk openly about our Christian faith and experiences. It is open to years 9 -13 and acts as a great support group. We would love you to join us to have fun and learn more about our faith. Looking forward to seeing you there!





### **Dunkin Doughnuts**

Dunkin Donuts has continued to meet this term. We have enjoyed sharing donuts and our ideas about who Jesus is and what His teaching really means for us today.

Most recently we have been studying the parables and the 'I am' sayings from John's gospel. This has led to much heated debate about many issues.

We thank Tim Taylor, youth worker from Highfield church, who has so skilfully led the sessions for us.

### LSU Merits Explained

LSU merits are about who we are as a community. They are about the little things that we do to contribute to the SHOW values and ultimately make us more Christ like. Sometimes, we need to consciously think about how we can care for others until these actions become part of our everyday living. Below you can find some ideas to get you started and in the next whole school newsletter we will showcase some of the creative ways you have been making the SHOW values part of your day to day life.

#### Simplicity

- Taking time to acknowledge/ thank another person's efforts.
- Allowing another pupil the ٠ opportunity or experience (stepping aside).
- Showing commitment to an extra-curricular club or group
- Being reliable.

# sancta unio

#### **Openness**

- Offering to help another pupil to catch up on missed work.
- Showing courage by owning up if you have made a wrong choice.
- Giving what you can to a school charity appeal for example, Christmas Hampers.
- Giving up your time to help another person.

## **Creative Craft Club**

We've had another fun filled term in Creative Craft Club, exploring the Bible and making lots of fun crafts. If you'd like to join the club, then please come along on Thursdays and Fridays during lunch. We hope to see you there! Here are some of things we've made this term...



#### Hospitality

- Picking up litter that doesn't belong to you.
- Helping someone by opening a door or offering to carry something.
- Being a buddy to a new pupil.
- Showing guests around the school.
- Helping a teacher get out or put away resources for a lesson



#### Warm Relationships

- Being willing to participate in the restorative justice process.
- Sharing what you have with others.
- Making an extra effort to support others by being inclusive.
- Encouraging others to 'have a go' so that everyone feels involved or gets a turn.



# English

#### Creative writing triumphs

Creative writing in St Anne's is flourishing, and fifty of our girls are due to have their work published in a book called 'Stranger Sagas - Hampshire Adventures'. The work included stories from girls in year seven to the current year eleven girls who have just sat their English GCSEs, and of course stories from the girls who form the creative writing club. A copy of the book will be residing in the library of St Anne's to inspire other budding writers. If you feel you have missed out and didn't get around to joining St Anne's creative writing club there will be another opportunity to write creatively at lunchtime next year.

#### **Revision stars**

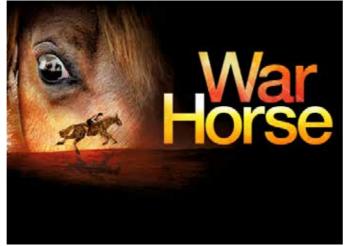
English after-school revision has been popular this year. Especial congratulations should go to Sarah Collins, Tia Fishlock and Isabel Plant who attended all ten sessions. Coming close behind them were Tilly Eales, Nylah Moon and Grashle Solaman who came to nine sessions. Attending eight sessions were Simranjot Kaur, Manisha Kaur, Suhanna Khan, Jaspal Singh, Saabira Sumra, Hannah Wiffen and Eliza Wrzesinska. Well done to all for outstanding motivation and commitment.

Mrs Watts

### War Horse at The Mayflower

On Thursday 24th May, nearly 60 year 8 students went to the Mayflower Theatre to see a production of War Horse. With its phenomenally realistic hand puppetry combined with the emotive storyline, the year 8 pupils thoroughly enjoyed the performance. Here is a review from one of the year 8 pupils:

"War Horse has been one of the most exciting shows I have ever seen. The idea of the horses was amazing. My favourite part of the play was when everyone was in silence and we heard a very loud gun shot with a bright, white, shining light blinding the audience. When that happened, everyone screamed and tilted their bodies back in shock. I think the play was better than the book because although you can use your imagination with the book, you can actually see it in the play. Some parts were even more amusing and shocking when you saw them on stage." - Lucia Oruezabal.



# Maths

### How can I help my children retain their maths skills over the summer?

The best and easiest way is little and often. It's not a case of learning anything new but spending 5 minutes revising a few times a week can make a huge difference and stop the drop off that often occurs during the summer break.

#### Here are a few suggestions:

- \* Mathswatch has one minute revision clips which are a quick and easy way of refreshing your memory and checking you are still confident with a topic.
- \* Mymaths. Use the booster pack lessons and activities to work through the topics you covered during the year.
- \* Books. Use the online text books (Kerboodle), your class book or a revision workbook to look back at the areas you are concerned you may forget.
- \* Your child should have their passwords written in their logbook.
- \* Enjoy the summer break and remember a little work goes a long way.

#### Maths Meeting of Minds

On a Thursday lunchtime in the Spring term, year 11s, 12s and 13s gathered in order to participate in a maths competition against each other. Each group consisted of two year 11s and two sixth formers. The assigned task was a maths crossword puzzle in which students not only had to use their maths skills but also their teamwork skills to complete the task in 20 minutes.

Well done to all of the participants. It was lovely to see how well the different year groups worked together. The winning teams were:

Week 1

Lucy Watson Jamila Nanozzi **Bhupinder Soomal** Tanya Watson

Week 2 Jenny Paulsen Ben Thompson **Princess Habawel** Mariam Khan

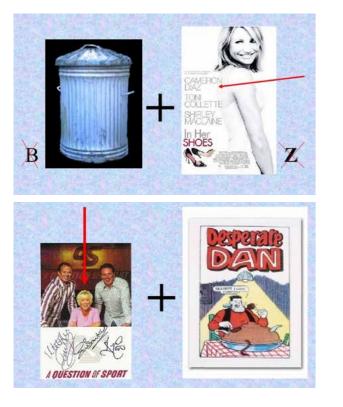
They received a prize and certificate in the Easter celebration assembly. Mrs Austen



# Science

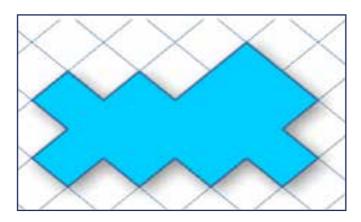
### Puzzle page

#### Can you work out the country?



Can you cut the shape below into 2 equal size images using:

A) Two linesB) Using one line



#### Sudoku

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		3				6		1
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## **Engaging in Ethical Debate**

Year 12 students have been involved in a debate regarding the ethics surrounding a new couple carrier screening programme. The students had to present their opinions on a decision aid which is currently being used for couples when deciding whether to have the genetic screening test and suggest improvements. They then had to debate various issues surrounding the test, such as should the test should be offered on the NHS or privately. I am very pleased to announce that St Anne's won the debate against Bitterne Park Sixth Form! Well done to the girls involved!



Miss R Stringfellow

### Exclusive Trip to the Thanksgiving Service for Stephen Hawking at Westminster Abbey



After entering a public ballot to apply for a school's place at this fabulous service we were amazed and delighted to find we had been successful. More than 27,500 people entered the ballot for 1000 places. We did a mini-ballot in school for all those interested in going and randomly selected the lucky winners. On the day we joined a guest list of famous people, eminent scientists and Professor Hawking's family to celebrate his life and work. Glorious organ and choir music accompanied a moving service, all in the awe inspiring setting of Westminster Abbey. It was a once in a lifetime opportunity and we all felt extremely proud to have been part of it. In the words of Emily Dawson-Plincke (10 Edith): "The service was extremely heart-warming as it gave an insight of how big an impact Stephen Hawking had on people and science alike. It was really nice to see so many people gathering together to give thanks for someone who will be so sorely missed. It was an amazing experience that I will always remember." Professor Hawking's ashes were interred in the floor of the Abbey between Darwin and Newton, a fitting tribute to his incredible achievements in the face of adversity. A beautiful headstone now marks the place where he rests which includes the equation for which he is best known.

Mr. C. Brown

#### **Brain Teaser**

I'm a word that's hardly there. Take away my start, and I'm an herbal flair.

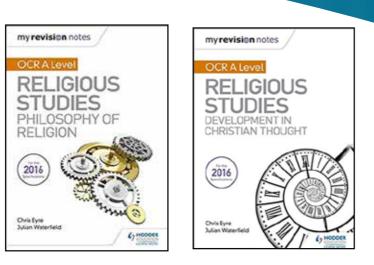
What am I?





### Something to celebrate

We were very excited that Mr Waterfield has had three A-level revision guides published. I know he is very grateful for the proof-reading and support from his outgoing year 13s and their ideas have led to lots of great reviews. This and his work for the exam board helps to keep our exam class delivery both at GCSE and A-level cutting edge!



#### Lent

This Lent we have been raising money for Matumaini and The Beatrice Project. The aim was to raise money by hosting Lent events, both in and out of school, so that these charities can continue to support and empower women in Africa. Our students responded amazingly well and there was a buzz of excitement around school during Lent from the bake sales, jewellery shops, team games, treasure maps, Easter egg hunts and much more! We raised just under £1600 which will make a massive difference to these charities. Thanks to everyone who got involved to make this possible!





### Youth Eucharistic Congress

On Friday 4th May a large number of Year 9 and 10 students from schools across the Diocese met at the New Theatre Royal in Portsmouth for a day centred on the presence of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist. Young leaders from the FOCUS team staying in the Diocese led us through the day. There was some uplifting praise and workshops led by the music team from Youth 2000. We listened to a number of interesting talks about the Eucharist by Fr Stephen Wang and Pippa Baker, and heard about miracles that have occurred in the Church in connection with the Blessed Sacrament. Bishop Philip Egan also spoke to the students about the importance of faith and developing a relationship with Jesus Christ. He participated in a Q and A session where students were able to ask him a wide variety of questions. The day ended with a poignant procession of the Blessed Sacrament around the Guildhall Square and



prayerful time of Adoration. All of the students really enjoyed the day and made the lovely comments below in their feedback.

1. What did you say about the Conference on the journey back to school? We talked a lot about the impact the talks had on our faith and lives, such as how we forget to think about what's really happening in the Mass, and often go into autopilot. We were all feeling inspired by how the Eucharist has changed other people's lives and it was good to hear these examples, as opposed to just knowing it can, but not seeing it for ourselves all the time. It was nice to know more about the Bishop as a person rather than just seeing him from a distance.

2. What was the most memorable part of the day? The praise and worship was really good and stood out for all of us. Also the Eucharistic procession. Why?

It was good to sing contemporary music and there was a lot of enthusiasm on stage which made easier for us to get involved.

The music ministry team talked about the meaning of the words in between which reminded us of the love God has for us and also how the words are important in the songs. It was a powerful witness to process round the square and really nice to have quiet time to pray.

3. If this event or something very similar were offered again would you attend? Yes!

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Everyone enjoyed it. It helped to renew our enthusiasm for our faith and the Eucharist.

4. What will you tell others about the Diocesan Schools Eucharistic Conference? It was a wonderful experience that allowed us to feel involved with the faith and grow in understanding of what we believe. It was an opportunity to learn more about the Church we are a part of, and hear the stories of how other people have grown in faith.





#### Year 11 Lent

Year 11 have now completed their RS GCSE. They have worked so hard to prepare for it and we are really proud of the year group. Before they leave, we asked them to write some 'top tips' for years 9 and 10 in their GCSE course. Here is what they had to say...

Advice from year 11

- 1. Start making revision notes early- don't leave it until the last minute!
- 2. Pay attention in class- your teacher is better than your revision guide.
- 3. Always catch up on any missed work as soon as you can.
- 4. Learn the quotes as you go along.
- 5. Learn 3 key points for every topic.
- 6. Always do homework questions in timed conditions to help with timing.

Good luck on results day year 11!

#### Year 10 Reflection Day

The Japanese say you have three faces.



The first face, you show to the world. The second face, you show to your close friends, and your family. The third face, you never show anyone. It is the truest reflection of who you are.

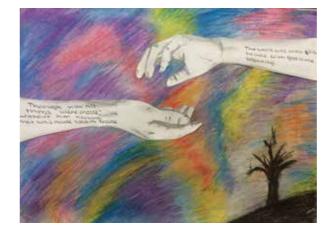


#### Year 10 Prepare for a Synagogue Visit

Year 10 have been enjoying studying Judaism as part of their GCSE course. They are excitedly preparing for a trip to the Bournemouth Orthodox synagogue in July. The girls are currently thinking of some questions to ask the rabbi which will help further improve our understanding of Judaism. What a fantastic opportunity!



Year 10 had a mixed and varied day exploring different aspects of the Christian faith and its impact on global issues, relationships and everyday life. Each student had the opportunity to reflect creatively on the 'masks' we wear and that others see and to consider how to view each other with more compassion. Another session enabled the students to respond to the CAFOD renewable energy project as well as considering how we can be environmentally friendly in the use of energy in the UK. Later in the day, the Explore group worked with groups of students discussing, evaluating and exploring long-term, positive, healthy relationships within the context of marriage. The students also met four local Christian women who shared the impact their Christian faith had on their careers, family and life in general. Interesting testimonies were heard from the community pastor at St Denys, the Children's and Family Co-ordinator from Romsey Abbey, a young entrepreneur who started her own magazine for young women and a volunteer who works for the Alzheimer's Society. A busy day with lots to think about!



story for humanity.

### Year 8

Year 8 this term have been exploring the messages from the Old Testament prophets and considering the relevance of them today. The RE department have launched an inter-house competition called "A Prophet for the 21st Century" in which all students prepared and presented a speech for the people of the world today. The topics ranged from the environment, racism, poverty and suffering with supporting PowerPoints, movies and background music. Each teaching group voted for the best three from their class and the final winner will be chosen by the end of the summer term. The RE teachers are very proud of the effort and thought put into speeches by their students.



#### Year 9 Start Religious Studies GCSE

Year 9 have are now well and truly immersed in the Religious Studies GCSE. As a department, we have been impressed by the responsibility and enthusiasm for the course supported by their maturity in some of the more complex areas of the course content. Over the past 14 weeks we have covered the creation story according to Genesis and John1 as well as Jesus, his life, teachings and mission. The learning timescale gives you an idea of the depth of detail and understanding that is required at this level. Whilst exploring John 1 students commented that this short chapter contains the 'blurb' for what the Bible is essentially all about. So, if you haven't read the Bible and you're not sure where to start try reading John 1. It should give you a flavour of God's rescue



# DofE



#### The Duke of Edinburgh Awards

This term has seen the busy season for both the bronze and silver level awards. By the end of the term both groups will have had their practice weekend expedition and their assessment weekend expedition. The silver level practice weekend was three days in the South Downs camping overnight at Lodge Hill near Arundel. The weekend weather was favourable during the day and all four groups of year 12s made an excellent job of navigating themselves up and down the hills in some really stunning countryside. The Saturday night was more challenging being the night of the tremendous thunder storms which went right overhead and were incredibly loud with torrential rain. Luckily we all stayed dry in our tents and some even managed to



endorsed the camping experience, for many this was the first time they had slept in a tent. Due to their impeccable attitude we were able to enjoy a camp fire and toasted

The presentations for both levels will be held on Wednesday 11th July 2018 with each

expedition experiences and findings from their

group presenting a brief snapshot of their

The staff team has been brilliant this year

and we now have eleven members of staff

and two adult volunteers who give up their

Wednesday afternoons each week to train

the students and up to ten days of weekend

time to accompany them on walks and camps.

Without this team of volunteers then the Duke

of Edinburgh awards would not be able to run

marshmallows in the evening.

projects.

sleep through the thunder!!! All twenty participants are preparing for their assessment in July in the Purbecks. Meanwhile the seven bronze level groups have completed both their practice weekend and their assessment weekend. Both took place in the New Forest, the practice based around camping in Tile Barn at Brockenhurst and the assessment based around Harry's Island near Burley. Both weekends were warm and dry so ideal camping weather and not at all bad for walking either, although regular water stops were needed. The forty participants were a credit to the school and fully



#### through St Anne's.

The completion rate for the award is now at an all-time high with very few students not finishing their three sections of the award (physical, skill and volunteering). The school is now the second largest licensed organisations in the city and has one of the best completion rates. We have had seven silver awards completed and thirty four bronze awards completed in the last 12 months. In our year 10 bronze groups we have now five girls who have completed their three sections, well done to Sejal Kumar, Eva Mayer, Ciara Reilly, Rhea Pangli and Charlotte Plumptre. In our year 12 silver groups we have Greg Danyo who has completed his three sections.

A very busy and productive year. Well done to all involved.

Mrs Winsor - DofE award manager

#### House netball

PE

#### Well done to all girls who took part in this year's house netball competition!

All girls who took part played incredibly well and showed excellent team work and determination.

#### The winners in each year group are as follows:

Year 7 – Catherine Year 8 – Edith Year 9 – Hildegard Year 10 – Alphonsa Year 11 – Catherine

The winners of the Junior trophy were Josephine The winners of the Senior trophy were Alphonsa The overall trophy winners were Josephine (this was down to total goal difference to the runners up - Catherine!) A particular well done goes to 11 Catherine who managed retain their title as

winners for all 5 years they have been here at St Anne's!









## Year 8 netball

The year 8 netball season has been very successful and enjoyable. Throughout the season, our encouragement and confidence in play grew rapidly and although we did not place at the top, we tried our best and had a great time. Even though one of our team players suffered an injury mid-season we adapted as a team and continued to train hard. Coaching the team this year was the amazing Mrs Dalmeny who helped us develop and improve our skills. The girls representing the St Anne's team were Kyriaki Hannides, Dorrinda Fiogbor, Mary Grace Townshend, Juleanne Cinco, Kiara Santos, Julia Widzisz, Katie Dawson, Rachel Lockwood, Mehak Kaur and Phoebe Nott. We are so proud of what the team has achieved this year. For extra team building, we have been rewarded with a netball trip in October which is something we are looking forward to. Thank you to everyone who made this season possible and we look forward to next year.

By Phoebe Nott and Kyriaki Hannides

PE

### Swimming Gala

Another victory for St Anne's girls at the Southampton schools swimming gala as for the 8th year in a row the girls took home the gold. Fantastic swimming from everyone, so many 1st placings. A huge well done and thanks to you all for an outstanding afternoon of sport.

Year 7 Amy Sweetnam Lucy Phillips Sophie Evans Zahia Giunti

- Year 8 Naomi Eldridge Jasmine Spradbery Ysabelle Garcia Sophie Hawkes
- Year 9 Molly Aspinall Fae Thompson Kerensa Pickering Anne Dela Cruz
- Year 10 Olivia Reavey Roberta Millard Anezka Brown Elsa Jordan Wellsted

### **Swimming Achievement**

Hello, Hello, my name is Sophie Hawkes and I am in year 8. I have been swimming competitively for 4 years. I have recently joined Portsmouth North - Sea Club from Southampton Dolphins. In February 2018, I competed at the Hampshire County Championships, where I achieved 6 medals. At the counties I swam in two relays, where in both I came first and second. I achieved other medals in my individual races, such as the 200m, 100m, 50m fly and 400 IM.

Three weeks ago, I travelled to Crawley to swim at the South East Regionals. I did not do as well as I would have liked, but that was mainly down to me moving clubs only 2 months earlier. I have competed in Regionals three times now, which is a great achievement.

Next year I would like to attend British Nationals, where I would like to swim in any butterfly race. In addition, the Nationals are streamed on You Tube – which is really impressive!

## **Athletics**

The girls attended the Hampshire Track Knock out, this is a tough competition coming up against good Hampshire athletes. Although we did not qualify through to the next round it was a nice afternoon and all the girls tried their very best, well done to:

- Year 7 Lucy Phillips Sophie Evans Hannah Rawlins Isabelle Gillett Amelia Narewska Despoina Kopalidou Maeve Blandford
- Year 8 & 9 Fae Thompson Molly Aspinall Abi Hadley Sophie Hawkes Tia Rudge Shana Murray



On Sunday 3rd December 20 pupils ranging from Year 8-11 took part in the annual Southampton Gymnastics Gala at the Southampton Guildhall. The theme this year was 'Fairytales' and the girls performed a routine inspired by the tale of Ali Baba and the forty thieves. The girls performed excellently, showing off their choreography and gymnastics to a high standard and the audience thoroughly enjoyed their performance.

### Gymnastics and Dance Showcase

This was our 3rd gymnastics and dance showcase which has become a really nice way to start the new year. Over 70 pupils ranging from Year 7 to the sixth form performed showcasing either their gymnastics or dance pieces. It was a fantastic opportunity for parents to see the excellent work that girls produce both inside and outside of curriculum time. It is also brilliant that we now have both a Year 11 and Year 10 class for GCSE dance and hopefully seeing the high standard of performance from these pupils will inspire some of key stage 3 pupils to explore taking dance as an option.



## Southampton Gymnastics Gala 2018

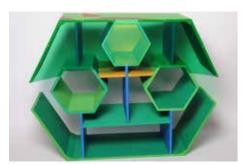


#### **GCSE Success in Textiles and Product Design**

Our GCSE students have been working very hard over the last few months to produce high quality products as part of their coursework. We are really proud of them for making such innovative and exciting projects and wish them the best of luck in their exam.











# Year 7

### Year 7

Year 7 have reached the end of their first full academic year at St Anne's School. It has been a tough, yet exciting year for the newest members of the school community. They have been spending a lot of time getting to know the staff, other students and school buildings. There have been challenges, highlights and some amazing achievements. We are all very proud of how they have settled in at St Anne's... but enough from me. Here is what some of our Year 7s had to say about their first year at St Anne's.

#### My experiences of St Anne's:

I feel really happy and special for being in a really good community and being able to join a school with outstanding education. I still really appreciate being here as I have met many new friends that helped me during my first few days. As time went by it was easier for me to get used to the rooms for lessons etc. (thanks to all the help from staff). In all lessons a teacher is always there for when anybody needs help so thank you.

Ceyda Recenber, 7 Bernadette

#### My year 7 experience so far:

I had heard a lot about St Anne's Catholic School and I was very much looking forward going there. In retrospect, I clearly remember that I was quite nervous and shy on my first day at school, but one thing in particular that stood out to me and that was the people around me. Both the teachers and students were very kind to myself and I always felt welcomed. I would ask for directions when I did not know which rooms to go to for my lessons. Sometimes when I felt lost, staff members and senior students would help me find my way around the school. The library would definitely be one my favourite places at St Annes, it would make feel comfortable and homely. In October, I had the privilege to become a librarian and this gave me the opportunity to help others enjoy reading and improve their English vocabulary.

#### Thoiba Choudhury, 7 Bernadette

#### Year seven so far!

I have loved my time at St Annes in year seven since it has opened new oportunuties and experiences for me. Playing Chip in the schools production of Beauty and the Beast was amazing and I loved every bit of it. Everyone was so supportive and it was great to spend time with lots of older students. St Annes has also helped me to take up some old hobbies at the sports clubs that take part either after school or at lunchtimes. For example, gymnastics and athletics clubs take part at both of those times. Overall, I love this school and I think it will really help me in the future.

Eva McManus, 7 Bernadette

#### My Year 7 experience:

When I started St Anne's, I was shy and nervous because I was the only person coming to St Anne's from my primary school, St Swithun Wells. During the first weeks of school, I met several girls who I am now very close friends with. We had a lot in common such as our taste in music, where we came from and we also had most lessons together. I joined many clubs such as netball, basketball, tennis, rounders and choir. I like the curriculum enrichment days because we get to learn new things in different ways to normal lessons and we spent more time with my tutor group. In netball, I represented the school with some other pupils in the netball league and tournaments. We came 2nd in the league and tournaments out of all the schools in Southampton that participated which was a great success! Now, since the start of the year, I am more confident and I am participating more during lessons.

Alisha Prasanth, 7 Edith

Mr Lewis

# Year 8 & 9

### Year 8



#### Visit the Natural History Museum

During one of our curriculum enrichment days this year we took the whole year group to London and had an amazing time in the Natural History Museum. Pupils enjoyed travelling through the centre of the world to explore how volcanoes are formed, how we measure them and the impact they have on some countries; they were shaken in the earthquake simulator and were able to gasp in awe and wonder at the displays of precious gems and jewels on display in one of the galleries. One pupil remarked that it was an "amazing experience" and it helped them to better understand the topic of shake, rattle and roll which they had studied earlier in the year in geography. The girls were a pleasure to spend the day with and a real credit to themselves and our school.

Mrs Robinson

#### Year 9

Year 9 has been a very successful year. With big decisions successfully made for GCSE studies and plans for work experience secured, we look forward to the beginning of Year 10, KS4 and all of the exciting opportunities that will bring. Highlights have been the school production of Beauty and the Beast and the significant contribution year 9 made to the set, props, performance and production. Regardless of their role in the performance, the girls did us all proud and created memories of a lifetime.

Many have been involved in trips and extra-curricular activities including Eden, the SUN project, The Diana Award Anti-Bullying Ambassador Training, trips to East Avenue restaurant at Eastleigh College. We have also learned about careers and further education in PSHE and the importance of positive relationships and wellbeing.

I would like to say a big thank you to Abigail Hadley, Sarah Wright, Rochele Milano, Rozeena Sumra and Mya Small for going the extra mile and taking leadership in registration time activities supporting supply staff and maintaining important routines for Hildegard and Josephine.

Sports events have also been represented well with the year 9 netball team, participants in city athletics and congratulations to 9 Josephine for coming first place in house athletics this term.

As we prepare for the end of KS3 I would like to say a big thank you to the pastoral team and all of the support and care given to our girls. It has been a challenging year for year 9 making big decisions and the support of the wider school community has enabled them to do so with confidence and clarity.

We hope you have an enjoyable summer and look forward to seeing the girls begin their GCSEs in September.

# Year 10 & 11

### Year 10

Another fully packed year has come to an end for our year group and what a way to end a truly successful Year 10. The term started with our new prefects being appointed. We have 7 Senior Prefects, one from each house, and they are ably supported by our team of House Prefects (Student Voice, Chaplaincy and Sports) and Academic Prefects who work within departments across the school.

The appointment process was rigorous with the girls completing application forms and then being interviewed by members of staff before being informed of whether they had been successful. The prefect application process is so important for so many different reasons and it is deliberately modelled around job applications so that the girls get their first taste of how this works.

Following on from this we had our Prefect Presentation Evening which was really well attended and a lovely way to celebrate with the parents of our successful prefects. Congratulations for all girls who have been successful. For those of you not given a prefect role there will be plenty of opportunities provided for you to lead over the next year so keep your eyes peeled.

Another very exciting event which has taken place this term is our Sixth Form taster days. These days have enabled Year 10 to experience life at college and took place both in our own 'Outstanding' Sixth Form and at Southampton City College. Students were able to experience the common rooms, tasters in subjects which they haven't tried before and were even allowed to leave site at lunchtime. It was a really great day and I was so impressed with the way the girls conducted themselves, really showing how well equipped they are for year 11 and life beyond secondary education. Cross Curricular days visiting a synagogue and our whole school sports day were also really well enjoyed together and served to round off a fantastic term.

I am really looking forward to us getting started with year 11. The girls continue to grow in to such outstanding women who I am sure you are really proud of and I know we will be able to celebrate their successes and achievements this time next year.

I hope you have a very happy and restful Summer holiday.

Best wishes, Mrs Trueick

### Year 11

It has been a funny old term for Year 11, of course. They came back from the Easter break full of purpose and good humour in their unusually laid back way (!) and seemed to take the exam season in their stride. Once again, St Anne's staff put on a range of workshops in the hours before specific papers and the girls were able to adopt power poses intellectually as well as physically. Many congratulations to them for navigating so smoothly the burdens of being the 'first' year group through the new GCSEs.

Their futures stretch before them and we look forward to welcoming lots of them back home to our Sixth Form and to continue to contribute to the school being outstanding by bringing their gifts and talents to all they do. Before that they have a long holiday to enjoy and before that still we will have our celebration events about which we are getting very excited.

In my two assemblies this term I spoke to the girls about who is best to support them at their key turning points and about remembering the big picture. I hope that the lower school experience at St Anne's has helped the girls to remember the big picture – to remember what is truly important – and I hope to work with lots of the girls next year. They have been a lovely year group to look after this term.

Mr Waterfield

Miss Taylor



# Sixth Form

## UC/\S

Year 12 students began the summer term exploring their options for next year with a trip to the University of Winchester to attend the Hampshire UCAS exhibition. They had the chance to meet representatives from hundreds of universities and other establishments such as apprenticeship providers, the army and they navy. There was a brilliant buzz surrounding the event which continued on the journey home as students travelled back to St Anne's, armed with stacks of prospectuses.





The hustings for our new head girls have been held with six brilliant candidates presenting assemblies to all year groups and teachers. They all did a fantastic job and it was a tough decision to choose successors to Hannah and Lilly. This could be you next year!

The summer exam season began on Monday 14th May with our Year 12 students beginning their exam preparation, and Year 13 students joining this after half term. We were very impressed with students attitude and conduct during this time and wish you the best of luck with your results which can be collected from 9am on Thursday 16th August.

The Year 12 students had the opportunity to spend a day in a work placement of their choice during our last curriculum enrichment day on Wednesday 18th July. We hope they found the day beneficial and insightful particularly as the students have begun focusing on their futures in more detail, with the UCAS application beginning within tutor sessions this half term.

### Dedicated sixth form website

Don't forget to take a look around our dedicated sixth form website which includes interviews with some of our students past and present.

## ST ANNE'S SIXTH FORM COLLEGE

### Year 13 leaving



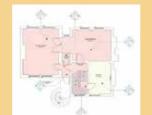


We said our final 'goodbye's' to Year 13 on Friday 25th May with an intimate ceremony with staff and students. Prior to this, we had a bring-and-share lunch in the quad. Year 13 chose to celebrate their completion of sixth form by visiting Thorpe Park. We hope you enjoyed the day out and wish you the best for your next adventure!

Mr Matteucci and Miss Stringfellow

#### New sixth form centre in House 3

We have recently received confirmation that we have funding to develop House 3 into a dedicated sixth form centre. This will include common



rooms, classrooms, space for lockers and a sixth form office. We are really excited that our sixth form will have a brand new home and plan to be in by the start of 2019. Watch this space for more information!



We are very excited to announce that we are running a sixth form trip to the Christmas markets in France and Belgium this December. Thank you to all those that have signed up for the trip; we are looking forward to it already!

# Alumni & Other Notices

#### Alumni

Since September we have had lots of contributions from our alumni community! We have had 5 Friday futures sessions with Catherine Russell, Sophie Coady, Affelia Wibisono, Caroline Misselbrook & Kathryn Blandford coming in to share their experiences at St Anne's and beyond. These talks covered all sorts of career pathways including astronomy, maths, law, art and management. All sessions were packed out and pupils had lots of interesting questions to ask them. On the 19th December two former students Sophie Coady and Eric Saboya came in to talk to interested KS4 and 5 mathematicians about studying Mathematics and at university level. Eric and Sophie gave an insight into the sorts of modules they have studied so far, ideas for future careers and top tips and advice for successfully completing their A-Levels. We also had former student Anne Boulton come in on the 22nd January to talk to our sixth form scientists about her journey in Science so far.

Both sessions were very successful and inspired our pupils in both fields. We were delighted to welcome back our alumni on alumni morning on Friday 22nd June and we are looking forward to the remaining Friday futures events this year.

Do you know anyone who is an alumni? Encourage them to sign up to our network by visiting Future first website or typing in the link below:

https://networks.futurefirst.org.uk/former-student/stannesschool

### Young Interpreters

Young Interpreters is a group of multicultural Year 10 students who have been very active this year in helping students who aren't fluent in English. This year, we have organised a multi-cultural corner and have designed the Young Interpreters board. We have each made posters of our languages and the different countries they come from which look amazing! We have created surveys and collected information about the various languages spoken throughout all year groups at school. One of the best things we have done this year was organising a food party to celebrate all the different cuisines from around the world! In July, we helped out in the year 6 induction day and we all had an absolutely amazing time! Thank you to Mrs Collyer for helping us achieve all this in a year alone and for helping us develop more as people!

By Sejal Shyam Kumar, Rhea Pangli and Isma Sudhan

#### **School Dinners**

From September 2018 School dinners will be £2.30

# And Finally

# Dates for your Diary

#### Dear Parents,

As both the term and year draw to a close, one might think that the school is winding down to a gentle stop. Far from it! At the time of writing, we have just had an amazing fortnight of activities, with some great ones lined up for the final 14 days of the year.

Last week saw scores of year 4 pupils from a range of primary schools visit us for St Anne's Experience Days, giving them the chance to partake in some fun science and RE activities, and get a taste of what secondary school life is like.

In the meantime, our teaching staff have been taking part in learning walks around the school to see each other's lessons in action, to gather ideas and share best practice. We ran a parent and pupil trip to the University of Southampton to help the whole family see what opportunities await beyond sixth form.



Our psychology A Level students have been on a research day to gain vital skills. Wednesday saw our amazing year 11s celebrate the end of the exam season in our annual celebration assembly and evening prom. Seeing how the girls arrive is always fun. This year was no difference; we even had some Star Wars stormtroopers escorting our girls to the entrance of Chilworth Manor! If you haven't seen it, check out our Facebook page for photos and video of the event. Thursday saw a large number of our year 9s set off for a wonderful residential trip to the Eden Project in Cornwall, while pupils from years 8 to 10 took part in the Big African Sing at Central hall. On Friday, our year 12 Duke of Edinburgh Silver Award participants set off for their weekend adventure in some rather hot weather!

This week our staff were busy getting stuck into planning for next year on the staff development day, and on Wednesday we welcomed new members to the St Anne's Family: our new year 7s visited for the day. The girls started to learn their way around the school and meet new friends. It was wonderful to see the older girls supporting and playing with them straight away; making them feel welcome. Thursday saw more new members introduced to the school, this time into our sixth form as we hosted our pre-enrolment day for next year's year 12. Students met their teachers, find out about their courses and then hear wise advice from alumni on how to succeed at A Level and beyond (see photo). It is interesting to see that we have a growing number of external pupils join us from local schools on entry into year 12; the message about the outstanding quality of our sixth form is spreading! The brand new sixth form centre that is currently being built will be an additional bonus to our sixth form provision.

The final fortnight brings our open days for parents of primary-age parents to have a look around, our summer concert, St Anne's Day masses and celebrations, sports day, and our final curriculum enrichment day. There are also a gamut of music, STEM and sixth form trips before we reach the holidays. It is no surprise that everyone is both happy and tired at the end of a term at St Anne's!

I pray that you and your family have a wonderful summer holiday.

Mr Rouse Head of School

### July

Friday 20th July

Last day of term (early closure)

#### August

Thursday 16th August Thursday 23rd August Friday 24th August

A level Results Day GCSE Results Day Sixth Form Enrolment Day

#### September

Tuesday 4th September Wednesday 26th September Thursday 27th September Thursday 27th September

October

Wednesday 10th October Wednesday 10th October Wednesday 17th October Years 5 & 6 Open Evening 18:00pm Years 5 & 6 Open Morning 09:00am Sixth Form Open Evening 18:00pm

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Start of term for all pupils Curriculum Enrichment Day 1 Year 7 Parents' Forum 16:00pm Year 7 Welcome Party 15:40pm

