



ST MARY'S
COLLEGE

NEWSLETTER

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This is our final SMC Newsletter of the school year. I am so proud of the many achievements of our students that have been celebrated this year, St Mary's College is truly a school like no other. Not only do we have amazing academic outcomes, as the newsletters have shown, we recognise and showcase the many talents of our students.

One of my favourite memories this year was watching the Year 7 Transition video which was entirely unscripted and shown to the Year 6 families during Induction Evening. There were 3 key words that the students used time and again to describe our school: diversity, inclusivity and community. I could not sum it up better myself. You can see this video on the home page of the website. Thank you all for everything you give to the school and making it a unique place to be. Although the school is like a vast ocean, every student is a drop of water that creates that ocean, without just one drop, we would not be the same. We need, love and value each and every one of you.



MRS STEAD
HEAD OF SCHOOL

M. Stead

SAVE THE DATES

- Thursday 8th September: Y7 and Y12 return to SMC
- Friday 9th September: Y8-Y11 return to school
- Monday 12th September: Y13 return to college

WE VALUE YOUR VIEWS

Ofsted Parent View gives you the chance to tell Ofsted what you think of your child's school.

The questionnaire can be completed at any time – you don't have to wait until the school is being inspected.

Go to :

<https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/> or scan the QR code below to go to the Ofsted Parent View web page.

TAKE SURVEY





Outstanding Sports Days !



It's always sad to say goodbye to our student leavers. We celebrated their time with us with leavers' assemblies, a mass and of course the most glamorous proms in town !!



CLASS OF
2022



Following their lesson on the National Grid, Y9 Science students were tasked with creating a model of the National Grid, to include a power station, step-up transformer, pylon, step-down transformer, and a consumer, such as a house. They are now able to understand where electricity comes from and how it is transformed and distributed across the UK.

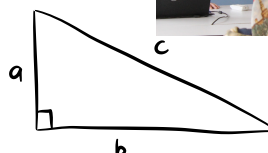
Additionally, the class also learned about mains electricity, during which they were taught how to safely wire a 3-pin plug. One young man in the group surprised his teacher, producing the most accurately and safely wired plug she had ever seen! Perhaps a career in electrical engineering is on the horizon!



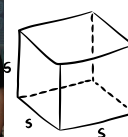
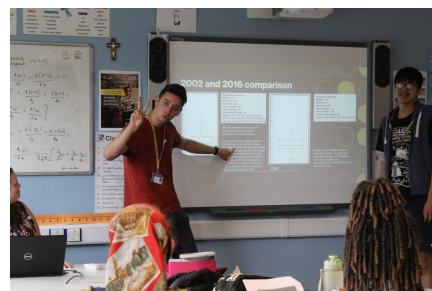
Year 12 A-Level Maths students have been working on their large data set presentations recently. The groups delivered them to their peers and members of staff. Students had looked for patterns within the data set and investigated the links between Co2 emissions and types of cars, regions and fuel types amongst other things, illustrating their findings with graphs and charts. Their presentations were of a high standard and they had clearly worked well collaboratively as teams.



$$V = \frac{4}{3} \pi r^3$$



$$a^2 + b^2 = c^2$$



$$V = s^3$$

$$y = mx + b$$

SOMETHING FOR THE SUMMER...

World Class Schools Quality Mark
Essay Writing Competition 2022

Theme: **Friendship**

Open to students of all year groups - primary / secondary

Shortlisting carried out by St Albans Girls' School

Deadline for submissions **14th Oct 2022**

Theme set & winners chosen by Professor Robert Douglas-Fairhurst

Find out more: www.worldclass-schools.org/news-events/essay-writing-competition/

Send your photo and explanation to info@worldclass-schools.org by August 31st 2022

If you are under 13 years old, your parent/carer must email us, not you.

World Class Students Make
World Class Schools

WORLD YOUTH SKILLS DAY
July 15th 2022

Did you know there is a global skills shortage? Let's sort this out.

Go to our framework of skills and characteristics www.worldclass-schools.org/the-world-class-schools-quality-mark-framework

Choose a skill from primary or secondary; send us a photo of you exercising the skill, with a short explanation of what you are doing and we will celebrate you sorting out the shortage, on our website

WCSQM ESSAY COMPETITION 2022

It's back for the summer!

This year's essay competition theme: **FRIENDSHIP**

Open for submissions until 14th October

ESSAY COMPETITION JUDGE: ROBERT DOUGLAS-FAIRHURST
 Fellow and tutor Magdalen College, Oxford
 Author of 'Becoming Dickens' and 'Victorian Afterlives'

Entries to be shortlisted by the English Faculty at St Albans Girls' School.
 Competition open to all year groups

THE IDEAL SUMMER WRITING PROJECT

Winning entries published on the WCSQM website
 Winners awarded at the WCSQM Awards Ceremony in December

Visit our website for more information on the competition, entry information & prizes
<https://www.worldclass-schools.org/news-events/essay-writing-competition/>

RSPCA YOUNG PHOTOGRAPHER AWARDS

WIN
 ▶ TROPHIES
 ▶ AMAZON VOUCHERS
 ▶ AN EPIC TRIP!

If you're 18 or under, an animal lover, and you can take great photos, this is the competition for you! Send us your amazing animal images by **16 August 2022**. Finalists are invited to our Tower of London awards ceremony with TV's Chris Packham.

ENTER NOW!

FOR MORE INFO:
rspca.org.uk/ypa

Oliver Smith - winner of 12-15 Mobile Phone and Devices category

RSPCA Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals

YPA Young Photographer Awards

Tell your pupils about our RSPCA Young Photographer Awards

Camera at the ready? The RSPCA Young Photographer Awards is back! Our annual animal photography competition is for anyone aged 18 or younger and it's completely FREE to enter. It's a fantastic opportunity for your pupils to get creative this summer – and we'd love your help in spreading the word. Could you display the enclosed poster on your noticeboards, tell your classes or add it to your newsletters. Maybe it could even be a summer holiday homework project?

Entries close on 16 August 2022 and are judged in September by our panel of award-winning and professional wildlife photographers. It includes TV's Chris Packham, who will also host our awards ceremony at the Tower of London this December!

The competition is a brilliant way of encouraging young people's interest in animals and the natural world, as well as developing their photography skills. Last year we had more than 6,500 entries and we're hoping to top that in 2022. No expensive equipment or specialist skills are needed – just a love of animals, a keen eye and a creative mind.

There are seven categories to choose from:

- Age (under 12 years, 12-15 years, 16-18 years)
- Mobile phone and devices
- Pet personalities
- Pet portraits
- Small world
- Portfolio
- Instagram (run as a separate competition in September)

Kids can enter multiple categories and more than one image per category. All the entries are judged blind. We crown a winner in each category, an overall winner, and there's an online public vote in March 2023 for an additional People's Choice Award.

All finalists are invited to our awards ceremony at the Tower of London. And there are some fantastic prizes to be won, including certificates, trophies, a share of £3,000 in Amazon vouchers, and a UK weekend photography break with Natures Images (for the overall winner and a parent/guardian).

For more information visit rspca.org.uk/ypa. To get this poster as a digital image – or to find out about our RSPCA magazines *Animal action* and *animal life* – please email me at: ypa@rspca.org.uk

Thank you and we can't wait to see your children's RSPCA Young Photographer Awards entries!

Best wishes

Christine Lunn

Christine Lunn: RSPCA Young Photographer Awards Organizer

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REFLECTIONS FROM THE CHAPLAINCY TEAM:

Summer is a time for sleep:
not the sleep of hibernation,
hiding away from the world,
but the sleep of
refreshment.

Long relaxing sleep:
that puts the past to rest,
that restores the tired body,
that nurtures the future.

Salvation through sleep!

Judith Jessop

Bare Feet and Buttercups



God of our past,
reconcile our brokenness.

God of our future,
renew our faith.

God of the present moment,
reach out and touch us,
and through us,
the lives of all we meet
on our daily journey.

May we be made whole
through the holiness
of God the Father,
the humanity
of Christ the Son,
and the healing power
of the Holy Spirit.

Amen

Ruth Bowen

Bare Feet and Buttercups

AND FINALLY...



SM6 students represented the school
in an outstanding fashion at the
recent World Class Schools
Symposium in Central London



Students from across the St Cuthbert's
Trust of schools were truly privileged to
perform their modernised version of
Shakespeare's Much Ado About Nothing
on the main stage at the Royal
Shakespeare Company in Stratford

Congratulations to the young Key
Stage 3 cast of Matilda the musical
performed in the school's theatre last
week. Audience feedback was
stunning !



YEAR 10 WORK EXPERIENCE WEEK

Year 10 students recently enjoyed
a taste of a range of wonderful
work experiences thanks to a
whole host of very generous
employers. They have come back
upskilled and focused on their
future careers. Many were
praised for their attitude and
commitment to the placements!



Scarlett in Y10 did TWO weeks of
work experience instead of one
to help coach the Paralympic GB
Badminton team. Scarlett plays
Badminton at a really high level
herself. She went to Sheffield to
assist coaching and sparring
with Richard Morris (Head
Coach of Paralympic Team GB
Badminton) who also coaches
Scarlett. Well done Scarlett!



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media accounts. Please do not reply to text messages sent by the
school and instead use the email address above to contact us.

www.smchull.org