

March 2024

Dear Parents / Carers

As we prepare to break for the Easter holidays, I would like to share a brief reflection over some of the great events and achievements of this Spring Term.

We have had an impressive number of competitions running via our library with thanks to Miss Kinsella's organisation, with 10 students winning top prize and having their entries printed in national publications!

Science week was an exhilarating experience for all participants, under the guidance of Mr. Kirk, who hosted STEM club every evening after school. With a series of engaging hands-on experiments each day, he sparked the curiosity of the next generation of science enthusiasts, making it an inspiring event for everyone involved.

Miss Barclay and Miss Brittles flew the flag for International Women's Day organising interactive activities and speakers, such as Eliza Willis from Culture Liverpool, the company behind organising city wide events, such as Capital of culture and more recently Eurovision, as well as an all-female team from Merseyside Police encouraging students to explore the myriad of possibilities open to them with in law enforcement.

A sincere appreciation goes out to all who tirelessly offer our students exceptional learning opportunities, to the students who approach learning with openness, and to their families who foster punctuality and attendance, ensuring the best chance for growth.

I encourage you all to take this time to rest, recharge, and spend quality moments with your loved ones. Whether you're embarking on adventures or enjoying peaceful moments at home, I hope this break brings you joy and rejuvenation.

Pupils return to school at 8.25am on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April 2024. A reminder that pupils should not have jewellery other than a watch and one set of small stud earrings in the lobe of the ear. Pupils are not permitted to wear makeup or have false or painted nails for school. Please support us in ensuring the school rules are followed.

Yours sincerely,

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### **Reminder of school processes**

#### Students calling home during school day

Pupils should **not** contact parents from personal mobiles during the school day.

If a pupil has a concern or feels unwell during the school day, we have a designated process in place - which all students are made aware of:

- 1. **Consulting the class teacher or PPC:** Students should, in the first instance, speak to the class teacher or their PPC.
- 2. **PPC Decision:** The PPC will make a judgment call to decide whether the student should be sent home or encouraged to continue in school and continue to assess their wellbeing.
- 3. **Communication:** If the decision is made to send a pupil home, the PPC or a member of the office team will call home using contact details on record provided by parent/carer. It is therefore vital to keep contact details up to date with the school.

"Mobile Phones: The College will continue with the policy of permitting students to have a mobile phone in College but it must be switched off and placed in the students' locker between 8.25am and 2.55pm. Failure to follow this rule will lead to the phone being confiscated and a detention issued."

#### Punctuality

Pupils are expected to arrive at school by 8.25am; morning registers are taken by 8.35am. Arriving to form after the register has been called will result in a late mark.

The pupil is then required to attend a 20-minute lunch detention on that same day. If a pupil does not attend the 20-minute lunch detention they will attend 30-minute after school that day.

Pupils arriving after 8.55am will receive an hour detention after school on the same day.

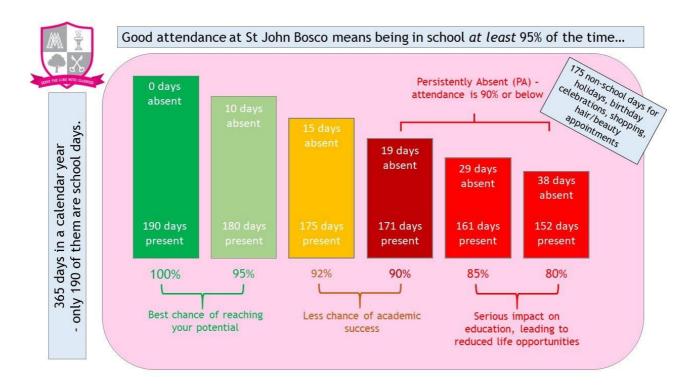
#### Attendance

Every pupil at St John Bosco Arts College has an attendance target of 100%.

However, the expectation is that every child maintains an attendance of 97% or above.

If a pupil has 6 days off in a school year, they will achieve 97% attendance and will have missed 30 lessons.





### **Easter Interventions**

Year 11 and 13 have intervention sessions are taking place over the Easter Break. Please Click on the link, to be directed to the timetables online. We have also given paper copies to the pupils.

These sessions have proven to be extremely beneficial in the past and we would encourage pupils to attend.

Year 11 Intervention Timetable

Year 13 Intervention Timetable

We hope to see you there!

### Dates for the diary

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March - Last day of Spring Term Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April - School Re-opens normal time Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May - Year 7 Parents Evening

Link to events calendar on website



# Class Charts Awards

Congratulations to all of those who have reached their Bronze and Silver ClassCharts awards! Achieving these awards is no mean feat - so be proud of yourselves and how well you are doing!

Remember you can check how your child is doing on ClassCharts by logging into your account, if you need assistance please call the school, we can send you your log in details.



## Keep up to date with school socials and website

We regularly share updates, event details and general good news using our social media accounts. You can use the links below and follow us to make sure you don't miss out!





Plus - we are currently very busy working on improving the accessibility on our school website. In the meantime it is kept up to date with all school information including an events calendar, news articles, and copies of letters sent home - check it out here: https://www.stjohnboscoartscollege.com/