

FAMILY MATTERS

HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC SCHOOL
NEWSLETTER



YEAR 12 START OF YEAR MASS



ALSO IN THIS ISSUE MEET
YOUR NEW PREFECT TEAM



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HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Quotation of the week

"Then Peter asked 'Lord how often must I forgive my brother if he wrongs me? As often as seven times?' Jesus answered, not seven times, I tell you, but seventy-seven times"(Matthew 18, 21:22)

Forgiveness

I spoke to Yr 7 in assembly this week about forgiveness. It's not easy to forgive others when we feel we have been wronged, or insulted, or treated badly. Sometimes we consider that the person must be sorry in order for us to be able to forgive them, but some people manage to demonstrate forgiveness even when the person is not sorry or not repentant. That takes a special kind of grace. Should we aspire to be like them? We try to teach all the students the importance of treating each other well and with respect but we also recognise that sometimes things go wrong and we may feel badly treated. Some of us find it difficult to accept apologies from others. Try to talk to your children about the importance of being able to forgive and move on and not to bear grudges. We could all learn something from Jesus' instruction to forgive seventy-seven times.

Covid19 update

We have had a good week. There have been no new cases since that

initial case nearly two weeks ago. Our systems in school are working well and we are delivering the curriculum pretty much as normal and supporting all our students very effectively.

Cleaning throughout the day is taking place on both sites and this includes chairs and tables in communal areas and door handles, push pads and toilets. Students are co-operating, washing their hands regularly and following the one way system. The staggered lunch is working very well and the canteen is cleaned between yeargroups having lunch.

We have updated the school's Risk Assessment which asks us to meet the government's guidelines as far as is 'practicable and reasonable'. We cannot afford to be complacent and we will maintain a high level of vigilance following the Public Health England guidance for schools.

- Keep social distancing especially with anyone outside their year group bubble
- Don't take unnecessary risks, such as hugging others, for example.
- Make sure you have and wear your mask when on public transport - this is a legal requirement and try to walk or cycle so that you only use buses when absolutely essential.

HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

While the number of infections in Waltham Forest is below the national average it is slowly rising each week and we need to do what we can to limit this rise.

Students and staff have been fantastic and we've been able to deliver more or less a full curriculum with students responding really well and engaging in their studies. We are also making progress on our plans in case of any future lockdown so that we can deliver lessons according to the students' timetables. I shall provide more details of how this would operate, if needed, in the next week or two.

Open Evening

Our Open Evening for prospective Yr 7 students will be a virtual one this year and you will be able to see our video messages from the 24th September 2020. This year we are also offering after school tours in small groups to comply with government guidance about social distancing (max 5 people plus guide). These tours will take place at 4pm after the school day and will give parents an opportunity to see the facilities of the school and to speak with me as we walk around. More details about booking a tour will be available on our website soon.

Other news this week

Yr 12 start of year Masses took place at OLSG parish church on Wednesday. We have so many Yr 12 students we had to split them into two groups so that they complied with the social distancing requirements in the church. They were impeccably behaved and our thanks to Fr Niall and Fr John for celebrating Mass for us.

Please continue to remember us in your prayers and have a good weekend.

With best wishes

Dr Stone, Headteacher





HEADTEACHER'S



COMMENDATIONS

I'm pleased to start commendations off again with two this week for brothers Harry Ead-Mitchinson 7ST and Thomas Ead-Mitchinson 8P.

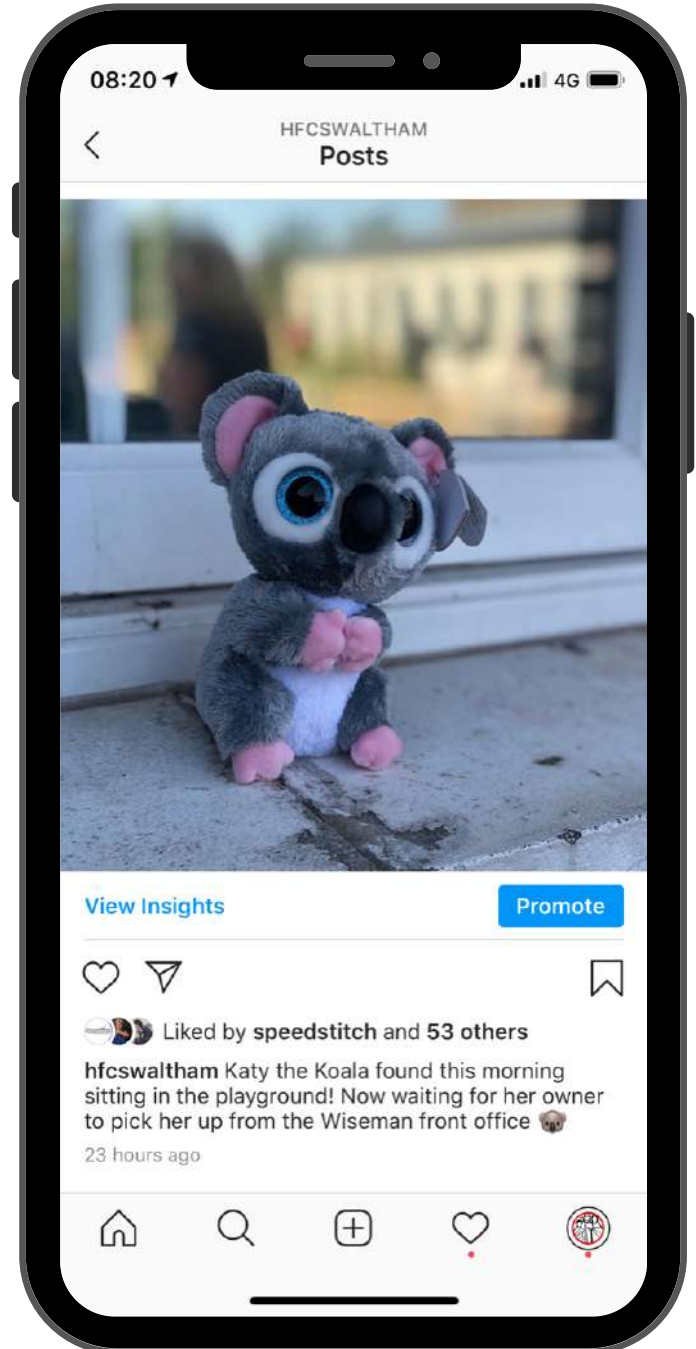
They helped Mr Hussain with the filming for the Computing Department Open Evening video. Mr Hussain interviewed them about their time in Computing and they were fantastic giving very professional, informative and eloquent responses. They were both a credit to the department and the school.

Well done to both of them!

SOCIAL MEDIA CATCHUP



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Chaplaincy Corner

Hasn't the weather been glorious?
I feel there's something special
about the warmth and sunshine extending
into the shorter days of autumn.



Year 12 Welcome Mass

This week, Year 12 celebrated their Welcome Mass at the parish of Our Lady & St George.

Due to restrictions, there were two Masses and many thanks to both Canon Niall and Fr John for once again offering their blessing to those starting in Holy Family 6th Form.

The reading was from St Mark's Gospel and the calming of the storm (4:35-41). The crises of life have often been compared to stormy seas. They come upon us whether we like it or not and we don't know how long they will last. How easily our sense of Jesus' love and presence is drowned out by a multiplicity of voices. As a result, this lessening or loss of faith gives way to fear. At such times he may be asleep in the boat but his love never leaves us.

We are never alone.

God is always with us.



Prayer for students and teachers at the beginning of the school year:

God is the source of all wisdom and knowledge.

Let us ask him to bless those who seek to learn and their teachers.

For students, that the Spirit of God may grant them the gifts of wisdom of understanding.

For teachers, that they may share their knowledge with gentleness, patience, and concern for their students.

Amen

Stay safe - Mrs. Grierson, Chaplain

OPEN EVENING

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VIRTUAL OPEN EVENING



THURSDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER 2020 6PM

HOLY FAMILY IS A SUCCESSFUL HAPPY SCHOOL WHICH HAS RECENTLY UNDERGONE A MULTI-MILLION POUND INVESTMENT PROGRAMME TO ENABLE US TO EXPAND AND EDUCATE MORE STUDENTS. MORE DETAILS ON OUR VIRTUAL OPEN EVENING TO FOLLOW - CHECK OUR WEBSITE FOR UPDATES AND FOLLOW US ON TWITTER @HFCSWALTHAM

2020

SENIOR PREFECT TEAM



2020/2021



HEAD BOY
ANTHONY

HEAD GIRL
CHLOE



DEPUTY HEAD GIRL
VALENTINA

DEPUTY HEAD BOY
JEZREEL

MEET THE TEAM

This year the Senior Prefect Team application process was a bit different! They presented their pitch virtually to the whole group, who then voted. Shortlisting then took place and the candidates then came in for a face to face interview with the Sixth Form Team. Congratulations to them all!



Head Girl: Chloe Contaldo **Head Boy:** Anthony Ezeh

Deputy Head Girl: Valentina Correa-Gallego

Deputy Head Boy: Jezreel Copa

Senior Prefects

Marcelina Kucharska

Kylie Coffie

Aleksandra Keqaj

Sade Cowan

Anna Maxfield

Vanessa Fordjour

Pauline Ssemgumbe

Ann-Marie Ibiabuo

Princess Lewis

Shekinah Allen

Germaine Canlas

Karl Medina



SEN News

Celebrating Difference

At Holy Family we pride ourselves on recognising that each person is a unique individual. There is no-one else like them and no-one who can replace them. This makes life interesting!

In the Learning Support Department we see difference every day and we want to celebrate it. Each week we will share with you some information about different needs that students and staff in our school face. The more we know about the people around us, the more we are able to embrace and support them.

How much do you know about additional needs?

Each week in Family Matters you can learn about needs, bust some myths, meet the celebrities who have these needs and learn the positives too.

That's right – having additional needs isn't a bad thing.



Why fit in
when you were
born to standout?
– Dr. Seuss

Do you have any questions about what you have read today?

If so, you can contact **Miss Minnock** our **SENDCo** (Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Co-ordinator)

a.minnock@holyfamily.waltham.sch.uk

YEAR 10

STUDENT OF THE WEEK:

BAMBO 10A

BAMBO WAS NOMINATED BY MR FREEMAN
DUE TO HIS INTEGRITY AND MATURE APPROACH TO THE RETURN TO SCHOOL.
CONGRATULATIONS BAMBO!

CONGRATULATIONS
TO THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS ON STARS RECEIVED LAST WEEK:

ETHAN DUFFY:

MR HEELAN AWARDED THIS STAR
FOR WINNING MATHS BINGO.

ISAIAH RABIU ADEFENWA AND HARRY DAVID:

MRS WOOLNOUGH AWARDED YOU BOTH STARS FOR
BEING GOOD CITIZENS AND CARRYING HEAVY
BOOKS FOR HER.

OMARU KING:

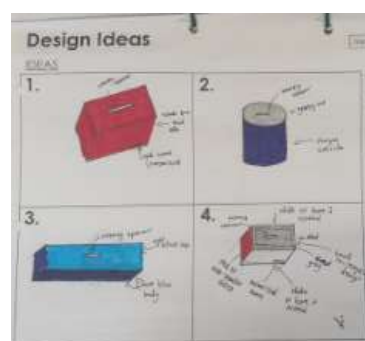
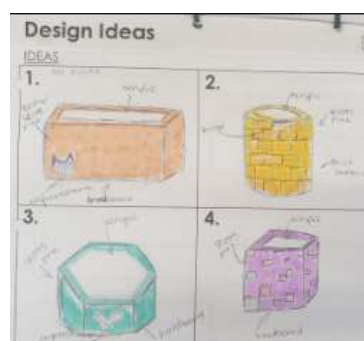
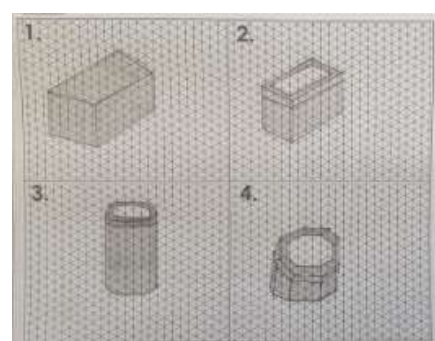
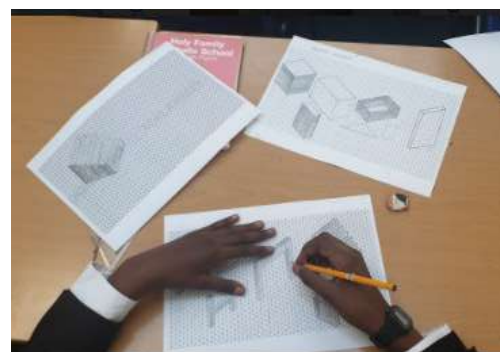
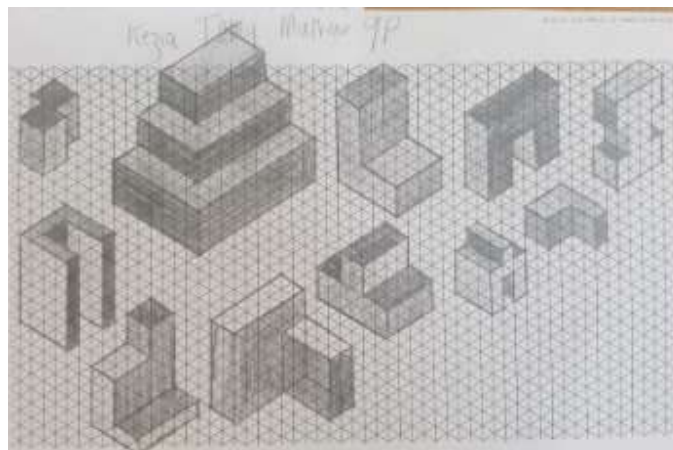
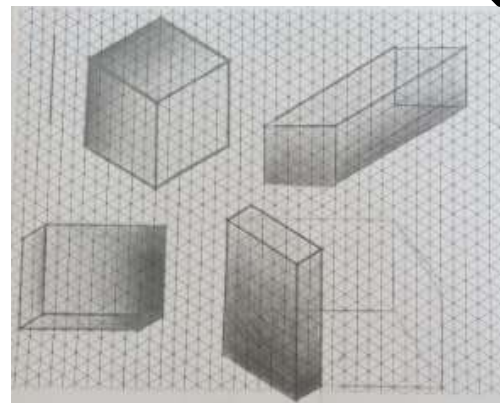
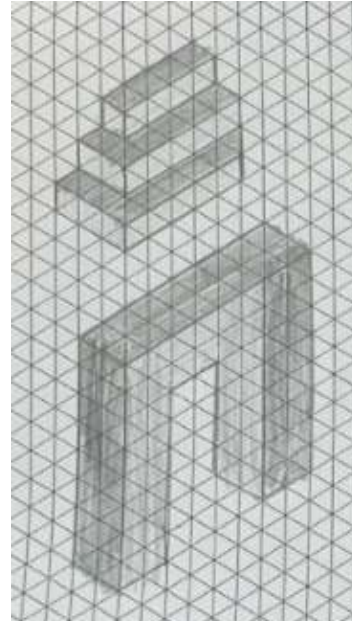
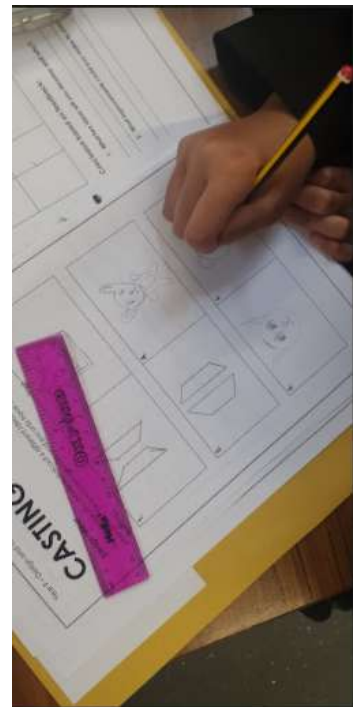
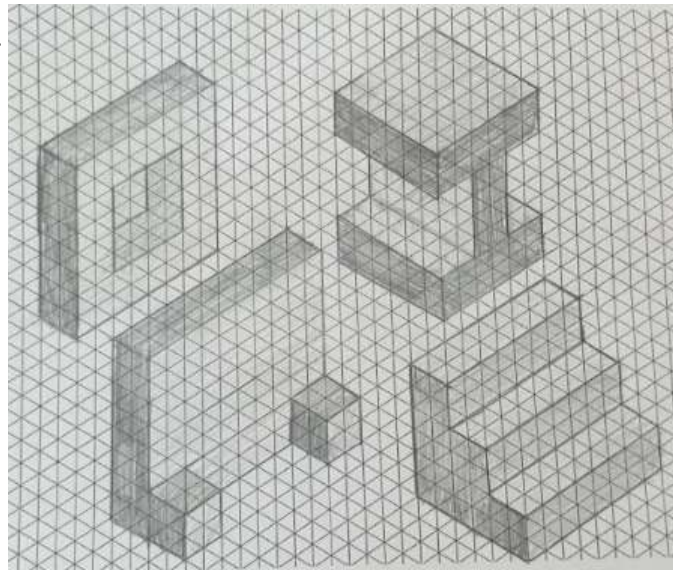
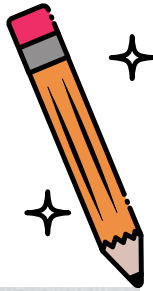
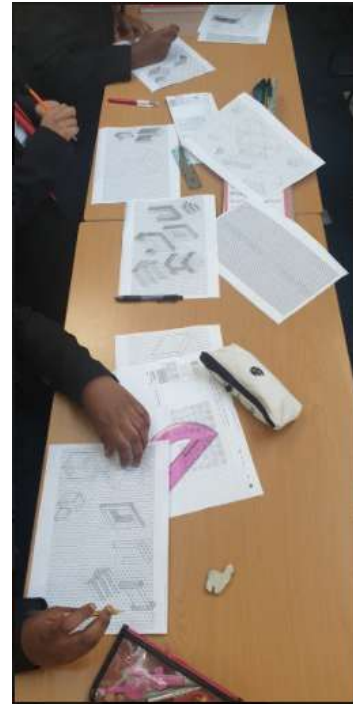
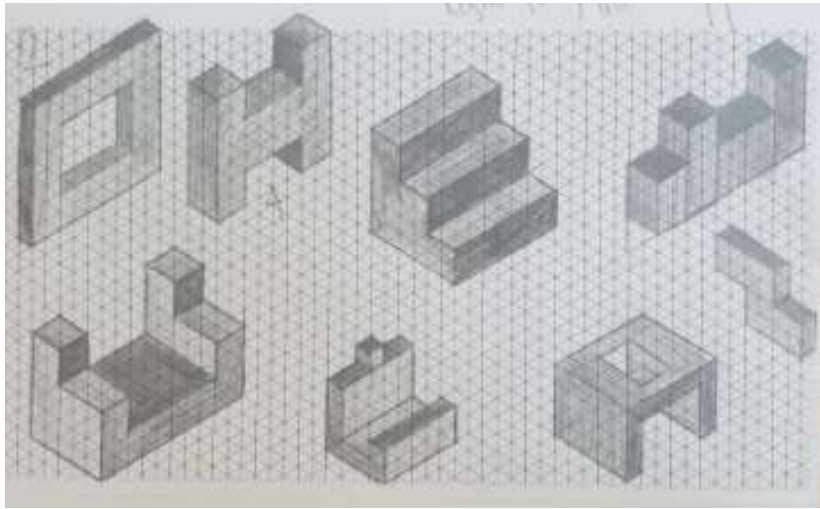
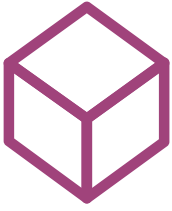
MR WILBRAHAM AWARDED THIS
STAR FOR HAVING A STRONG WORK ETHIC IN PE.

LAUREN DANIEL:

LAUREN HAS TWO STARS,
ONE FROM MR MCGLYN IN ENGLISH FOR IDENTIFYING
DRAMATIC IRONY
AND FROM MS PRADA FOR FANTASTIC EFFORT IN SPANISH.

D&T ASSEMBLED

Year 9 have been showing their drawing and designing talents this week in Design & Technology





Yr 7 History Club



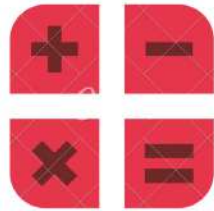
Do you like history?



Could **you** solve a medieval murder?



Come to **L07** on **Wednesdays 3:30-4pm** to investigate the crime scene and catch the killer



HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC SCHOOL

ADULT MATHS CAFE

For adults who want to update their functional skills or work towards a GCSE in Maths.

Online sessions on Zoom
Every Tuesday: 7.00-8.00pm
To register please contact Mr McCollin or any other Maths teacher.

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Simon Singh's Parallel Maths Project

A great opportunity to stretch and challenge
your brain every week!

Earn points and badges.

Register and start straight away: Parallel.org.uk,
code: qzl15u

Welcome to the Parallel Maths Project!

Be challenged, get curious, do maths.
Stretch your brain every week.

Dr Simon Singh, author of the No. 1 bestseller *Fermat's Last Theorem* and *The Simpsons and Their Mathematical Secrets* has created a set of weekly maths challenges – just 15 minutes of interesting, fun and challenging material that goes beyond school maths: mystery and history, activities and oddities, puzzles and problems. (After Christmas, the challenges will take a bit longer.)



For more details please see Ms Atakan

Virtual work experience

Click below to find out more or email

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THE EXPERIENCE PROGRAMME

Our mission is to give all young people access to the top. By connecting our national network of schools with industry leading employers, we open young people's eyes to the possibilities ahead of them.

Our programme is run through a simple, safe-guarded portal, giving students access to opportunities, schools an easy way to manage their work experience and employers the chance to diversify their early talent pipelines and meet their social mobility goals. Sign up today.

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OUR IMPACT



2500+

2500+ students have taken part in placements with us since the Experience programme launched and our work is growing every year



140+

We work with employers from across industries and sectors to give students access to opportunities they wouldn't otherwise be able to access



95%

of students felt they were better prepared for work after completing work experience placements or attending insight days through us



90%

of employers say we've helped them to reach students who lack access to their industry and who they wouldn't have been able to reach otherwise

Duration: 26th October to 30th October 2020

Application Deadline: 2nd October 2020

Age: 14+



HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC SCHOOL & SIXTH FORM
WE ARE SEEKING TO EXPAND OUR EXAMS TEAM

EXAM INVIGILATORS NEEDED

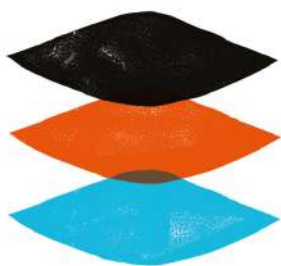
IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN BECOMING AN
EXAM INVIGILATOR AND ARE FREE DURING
THE SCHOOL DAY PLEASE GET IN TOUCH
FOR FURTHER DETAILS



CONTACT: MRS RUSSELL
EXAMS OFFICER

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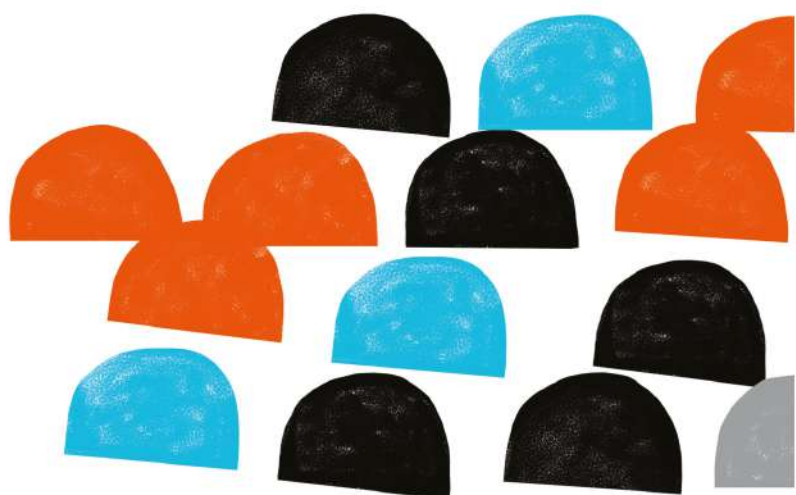
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NATIONAL POETRY DAY 2020



See It Like a Poet



1st OCTOBER 2020



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**DO YOU HAVE ANY SCHOOL
LIBRARY BOOKS AT HOME?**

**PLEASE RETURN OVERDUE
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**LOST BOOKS - THERE IS NO NEED TO
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THE LRC STAFF KNOW.**

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THE BEST FILM YOU CAN
UNDER LOCKDOWN USING
JUST YOUR IMAGINATION
- LAUREN



DURING THESE TIMES, IT'S
THE SMALL OR LESS OBVI-
OUS THINGS THAT BECOME
IMPORTANT TO US, WHICH
TRULY ARE MAGICAL TO
CAPTURE
- CHLOE



WE'RE LIVING IN A UNIQUE
TIME, EVERYONE SHOULD
BE ABLE TO CAPTURE IT
USING INSPIRATION FROM
WHAT'S AROUND THEM
- SHOLA



3 STEPS TO HELP US CON-
NECT WITH OTHER FILM-
MAKERS USING WHAT WE
ALL HAVE IN THE
PALM OF OUR HANDS
- MONDAY



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Radio 1's Christmas Presenter Search

Between Boxing Day and New Year's Eve, Radio 1 would love to give some new aspiring radio presenters a chance to broadcast on the network.

If you have already hosted on a community, hospital, student or local radio station and you know your way around a radio desk we'd love to hear from you.

You must be passionate about youth culture and music, and someone who feels they are genuinely ready to host a show on the station.

If you think this is you, please tell us a bit about yourself and upload a demo of no more than 5 minutes so we can hear how you would sound on Radio 1.

[Click this page to find out more](#)

***You must be aged 18 or over at the
closing date of
20th September 2020.**



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FULL GUIDE TO THE
SCHOOL UNIFORM**



**HOLY FAMILY
CATHOLIC SCHOOL
& SIXTH FORM**

YOUR SCHOOL UNIFORM EXPLAINED

Years 7 & 8

**All students must wear
a school blazer, white
shirt and school tie.**



**Girls must wear either
the red checked kilt
or school branded
trousers**



**Boys must wear black
formal school trousers**



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**All school uniform items can be obtained
from Speedstich and Carolina's Outfitters**

Do you have any uniform to donate?

UNIFORM DONATIONS

We are asking for donations of our current school uniform which your child may no longer need or have outgrown that is still in good and wearable condition. This can range from the list below:

Years 7 & 8

Blazer



Trousers



School Tie



GIRLS
RED CHECKED KILT
or
SCHOOL BRANDED
TROUSERS

Years 9, 10 & 11

Blazer



Trousers



School Tie



GIRLS
BACK KILT
or
SCHOOL BRANDED
TROUSERS



PE Kit



PLEASE DROP ANY DONATIONS TO EITHER
SCHOOL OFFICE - MANY THANKS