HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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YOUR NEW YEAR 12 PREFECT TEAM



ALSO THIS WEEK, YEAR 9 HAVE BEEN LOOKING AT SOME OF THE GREATEST VILLAINS OF ALL TIME



# HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

# **Quotation of the week**

"Life is a marathon not a sprint" (unknown).

I like this quotation because the older you get the more you recognise the truth within it. Some people start quickly out of the blocks in life, like a sprinter, they are already charging up the track from an early age, others seem to scarcely get going until they are in their twenties or even older. In my experience as a middle-aged man I can see how as the years go by those who perhaps didn't fly out of the blocks quite so rapidly, but have made sure and steady progress, have managed to catch up those initial high-flyers who seemed to have the whole world at their feet.

# **Covid update**

Living with covid in the background is tough. It is something that is ever-present in our lives and a malign and threatening presence at that. it casts a pall over our lives and can make one feel more tired than usual or even depressed. We are doing our utmost to ensure that school is a happy oasis away from covid and the threat it represents. We are doing this, not by pretending that no threat exists, but rather by ensuring that we are there for the students, teaching them well and aiming to ensure that they have as good an education as it is possible to deliver to them at this most strange and challenging of times. We've had some real positives this week in seeing very encouraging outcomes across Yr 11 in subjects such as maths and RE to complement the excellent speaking and learning assessments that took place in English over the past couple of weeks. The students are working hard and want to be here which is great and the staff are pleased to be able to work with them and to support and push them towards excellence.

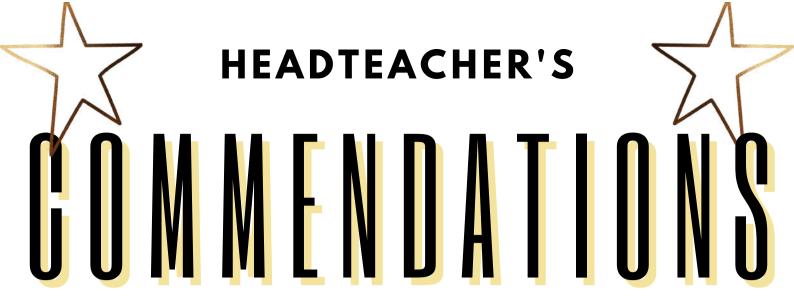
# **University applications**

Students applying for Oxbridge and medicine have to submit their university applications earlier than others and by mid-October at the latest. These are unsettling times for Yr 13 students because they have to make decisions about their future in the context of this pandemic. Some are reluctant to commit to a university course that may only be taught remotely. Others are concerned that they have to pay the same fees as in previous years. We are encouraging all students who are interested in doing so to submit their university applications and then to wait and see what happens. It is better to apply now and leave yourself with future options than not apply at all in our opinion.

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

With best wishes
Dr Stone, Headteacher





The year eleven team would like to commend

# David Owusu

for showing us how much he wants to succeed through sustained hard work, creating exemplary study habits and being a proactive learner. He has set the standard for the year group.

Well done David!

Mrs Sheikh Oomar, Head of MFL, would like to nominate two students

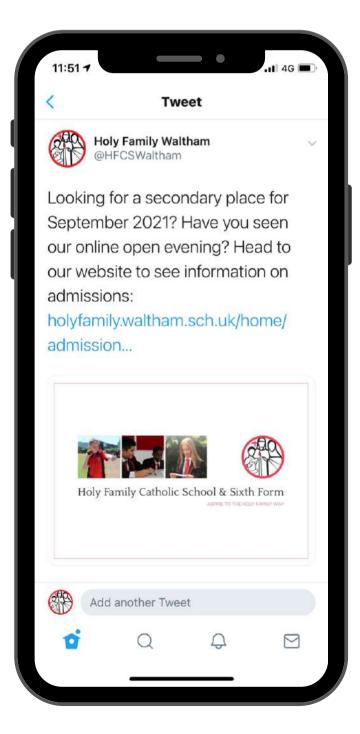
Kira Baranovska and Tara Harker

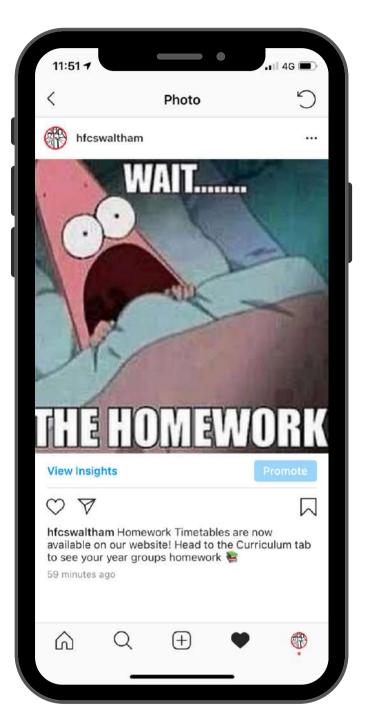
for their excellent work in French since returning to school.

# SOCIAL MEDIA CATCHUP



# **@HFCSWALTHAM**







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# Virtual Open Evening 2020

At Holy Family we provide academic success with excellent progression to leading universities including Oxford and Cambridge. Strong pastoral care is at the heart of our school. Our students are effusive about the extra-curricular opportunities provided to develop their leadership and community involvement.



Our Open Evening for prospective year 7 students will be a virtual one this year and you will be able to see our video messages, tours and information on applying to Holy Family from the 24th September 2020 via our website.

'Teachers are focused on achieving positive outcomes for students and have high aspirations for them. They have created a nurturing climate where students can excel.' Ofsted 2018

# **Chaplaincy Corner**

October is **Black History Month**. The history of the Church is full of many ethnic Catholic saints, who received recognition for great deeds or meritorious conduct. Many lost their lives in defence of the faith. Many were also honoured for their contributions to the Church and their community.



Feast Day 8 February

Saint of the week is St Josephine Bakhita. Born in Sudan in 1869, she was kidnapped at the age of 9 and sold into slavery. In 1882 she was sold to the Italian Consul and this event transformed her life.

She received from her masters, kindness, respect, peace and joy. Eventually she was entrusted to the Canossian Sisters and her next fifty years were spent witnessing God's love.

She died in 1947, and in 2000, she became the first African woman to be canonised in modern times. She is the first person to be canonised from Sudan and is the Patron Saint of the country. St Josephine is also the Patron Saint of modern slavery and human trafficking survivors.

Friday is CAFOD (Catholic Agency for Overseas Development)

Harvest Fast Day, and this is a harvest like no other. In the poorest communities around the world, lack of clean water to wash and stay healthy has made it even more difficult than it already was to get enough nourishing food. For them, the pandemic has been an emergency on top of an existing emergency.

If you are able to make a donation, you can donate via the <u>CAFOD website</u>

£2 delivers 2 x soap and face masks to a vulnerable family £10 delivers a temporary community hand washing station



God of love, peace, and unity,
we thank you for welcoming us all just as we are;
for making us equal as your children from all corners of the earth; and for giving us your
blessings as your children;
and for making us belong.

We pray that you help us realise that we are all made in your image, and we need to bring peace to all your creation as one people who belong to you.

Amen

Stay safe - Mrs. Grierson, Chaplain

# SENNews

Dyslexia

This week we celebrate National Dyslexia Awareness week.

What do you already know about dyslexia?



These are some common myths we hear all the time:

- 1. People with dyslexia are not smart
- 2. People with dyslexia cannot learn to read or write
- 3. People with dyslexia see things backwards
- 4. People with dyslexia are lazy and should try harder

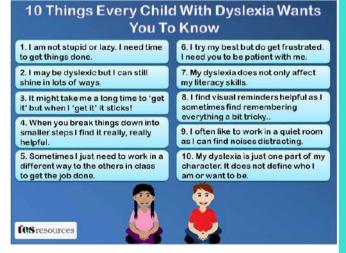
None of these are true! In fact, many dyslexic individuals are extremely bright and creative. They can be terrific readers with the right intervention and instruction. Dyslexia is not a vision problem. It has to do with how the brain makes sense of what is seen. People with dyslexia learn differently. When they are asked to learn in a way that does not work for them it can take more time.

Many people with dyslexia are famous, it doesn't have to limit your life in any way. Walt Disney and Will Smith are two examples.

Your challenge
is to find
10 more
celebrities with
dyslexia.

I don't'suffer'
from dyslexia,
I live with it and
work with it. I
suffer from the
ignorance of people
who think they
know what I can
and cannot do."

-Erica Cook, Learning Ally member



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.** 

# What to expect this Black History Month at Holy Family!



Posters of prominent black figures around the school

A special history lesson uncovering an untold moment in black history

A virtual talk from a speaker (tbc.)

Two 30 minute sessions on an element of black history in form

The launch of a
brand new extracurricular club
exploring the concept
of race, identity and
history starting
Monday 5th October





# GLAUDIA JONES

life fighting for tolerance her to become a founder Claudia Jones spent her Born in Trinidad in 1915 and equality, which led Notting Hill Carnival. of the much-loved

discovered politics and joined People (NAACP) and later the the Advancement of Colored district of Harlem. There she American Communist Party. the National Association for She migrated to New York as a child, settling in the

racial justice in London's courageous leader" who had led the struggle for her as a "vigorous and the African-American Claudia Jones died in actor and singer Paul 1965. At her funeral, Robeson described black community.

She was arrested, declared un-American Communist witch-hunts of the 1950s. Claudia was targeted in the antiand deported to Britain.

who settled in the UK after the Second She arrived alongside the Windrush World War.

posters, Claudia made it her mission to stand up for the Caribbean community. Met by "No blacks, no dogs, no Irish"

rioting filled the streets Bank Holiday weekend for five nights over the black community and of Notting Hill in the attacking London's Tension rose when racist gangs began

> A carnival of the best of African racial hatred through culture – and dance in particular.

Claudia set about tackling this

your pupils to write an article about

brave and groundbreaking people or about what it takes to stand up

ind stand out.

setting up a community newspaper

community. Imagine the class is

100,000-strong Caribbean

What would go in it? How would

pupils tell people's stories? Ask

became a mouthpiece for London's

major black newspaper, which

Indian Gazette, Britain's first

Claudia Jones founded the West

1959 at St Pancras Town Hall in Caribbean talent took place in London. The event ran for six years and grew in popularity, moving to the scene of the riots, Notting Hill, in 1966.

generation, migrants from the Caribbean

summer of 1958, lasting

# education national NEU.ORG.UK

# esson ideas

# VIGOROUS + COURAGEOUS

The National Education Union is asking teachers to help create a more positive critical for children and young people to be at their best and for teachers to be able to teach with confidence and approach to migration. Belonging is excellence.

schemes of work and resources which Our Migration Story has lesson plans, information-for-teachers/teachingwww.ourmigrationstory.org.uk/ are free to use and modify. Visit esources.html

structure, materials and shape can be ound at mynottinghillcarnival.com/ music, dance and fantastic costumes Get vour class into the carnival spirit by designing a headdress – ideas on The Notting Hill Carnival takes place nake-your-own-feather-headdress over the August Bank Holiday and oursting with life, it features food howcases the best of Caribbean culture. Colourful, vibrant and

courageous? Can pupils come the bravest person they know are brave? Ask your students and get them to tell their Why was Claudia Jones classmates the story.

# COURAGE

up with other people they think to take a minute to think about

visit neu.org.uk/black-history-month these figures or Black History Month, For more information about any of

## STUDENT OF THE WEEK:

# TIFFANY MURTINHAL

MS PRADA HAS NOMINATED TIFFANY FOR STUDENT OF THE WEEK AS
SHE HAS BEEN VERY POLITE AND HAS BEEN HOLDING THE DOOR OPEN FOR THE
REST OF THE FORM.

# CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS ON STARS RECEIVED LAST WEEK:

NEVAN BYFIELD PRICE AND VICTORIA SZLACHTA
WERE AWARDED STARS FOR THEIR EFFORT AND ACHIEVEMENT IN SPANISH

REBECCA KWAJA, MICHA RUSSELL AND NA<mark>TALIA SAS</mark>
WE'RE AWARDED STAR FOR OUTSTANDING WORK ON AN INSPECTOR CALLS IN
DRAMA

## BEN IRAKOZE

WAS AWARDED A STAR FOR CREATING A NEW WORD EXTRATERRESTRIAL-FUSMIGONIGAL - TO DESCRIBE THE GERM THEORY IN HISTORY

# WALTHAM FOREST SCHOOLS U14 LEAGUE WINNERS 2020 HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC SCHOOL

OMARU KING (CAPTAIN)
CHRIS NDALA
LYAN WILHELMS SANDOVAL
QUINTIN ATA GYAMFI
QUINCY ATA GYAMFI
JORDAN MUKONDE
ETHAN DUFFY
KING DAVID BOACHIE
MICAH RUSSELL
JOHN SHOTIKARE
EMMANUEL KYERE

EPHRAIM BOAKYE

JAMES CANLAS

CHRISTIAN MUNGANGA

MYGLOR YAMBUYA

SHANJAI PERATHEEPAN

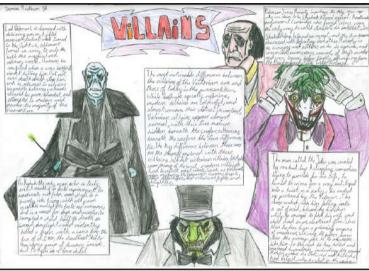
JUSTIN JOHNNY-CARRIERE

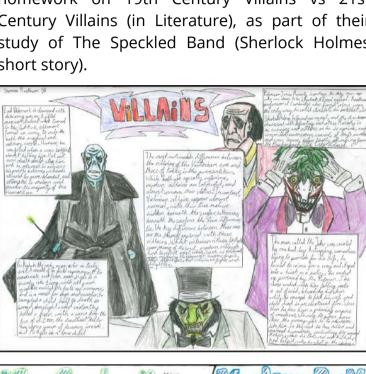
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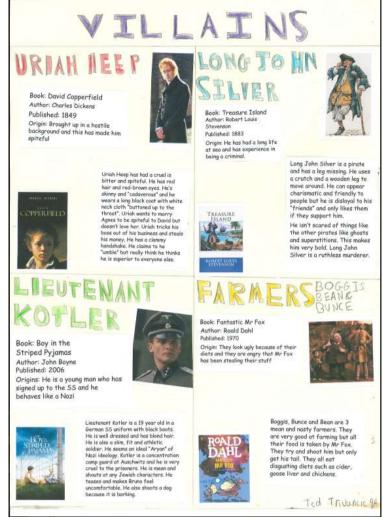


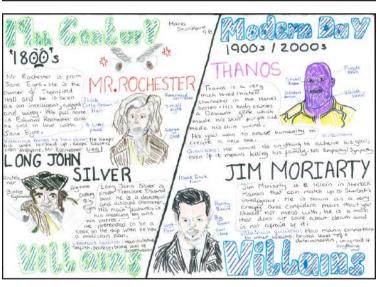
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Incredible work showcasing year 9's research homework on 19th Century Villains vs 21st Century Villains (in Literature), as part of their study of The Speckled Band (Sherlock Holmes short story).







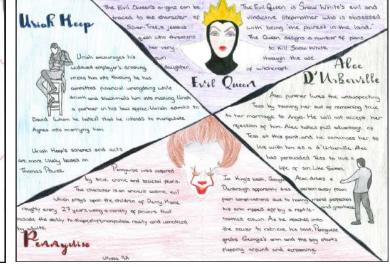






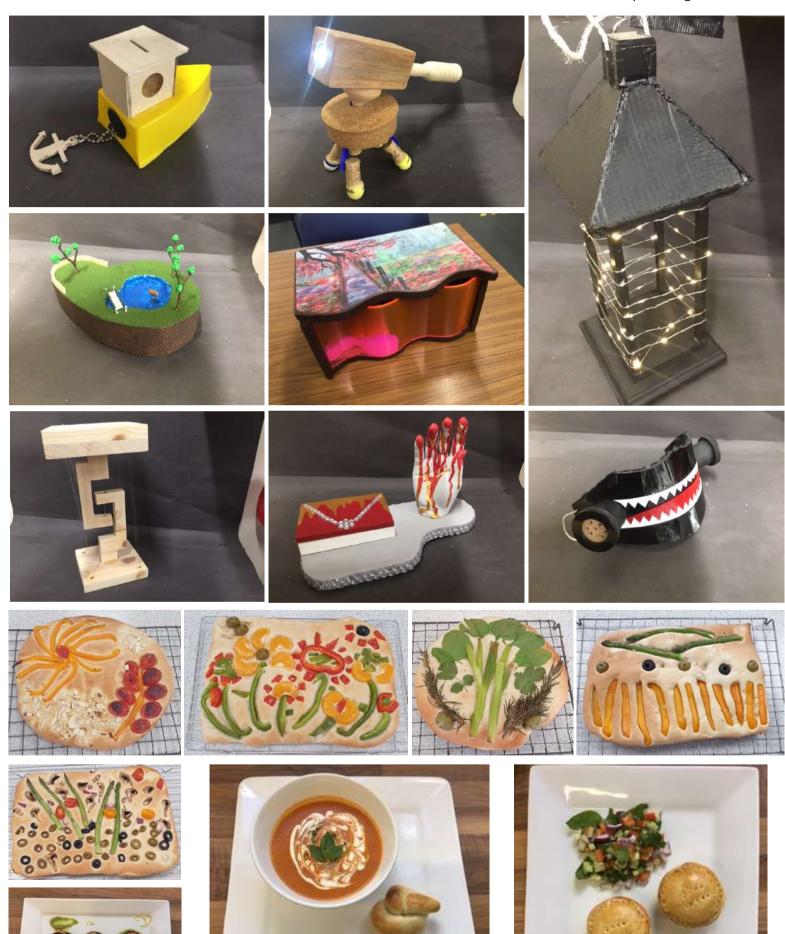






# D&T ASSEMBLED

Year 12 have been honing their skills with 'Project Anything'.
Year 7 are still creating fantastic focaccia.
Year 11 have begun preparing for their exams by practicing British Starters

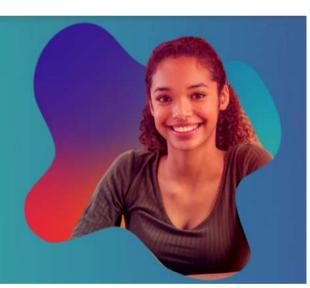




# Virtual work experience

Click the opportunities to find out more or email **Mr Fidegnon:** 

j.fidegnonedoh@holyfamily.waltham.sch.uk





# **VWEX: The Office of** Communications- Ofcom

Ofcom



# Insights into Infrastructure and the Built Environment

SCS Railways (Skanska Costain STRABAG Joint Venture)



# VWEX: An Insight into the **Construction Industry!**

HOCHTIEF Murphy Joint Venture (HMJV)



# Willmott Dixon Management **Careers Virtual Work Experience - Future Leaders** Wanted (National)

Willmott Dixon



# Hawkins Brown Virtual Work **Experience in Architecture**

Hawkins Brown



## Information

Minimum Age 16

Duration 5 Day/s

Industry

Telecoms

Department(s)

Television. Telecoms, Regulation, Quality Assurance, Operations

Closing Date

09/10/2020

# Information

Minimum Age 15

Duration 5 Day/s

Industry

Construction

Department(s)

Transport

Closing Date 09/10/2020

## Information

Minimum Age 15

Duration 5 Day/s

Industry

Construction

Department(s)

Youth Engagement, Risk & Compliance, Quality Assurance, Environmental, Engineering, Design, Community Engagement, Business

Closing Date

12/10/2020

# Information

Minimum Age 14

Duration 5 Day/s

Construction

Department(s) **Building Management** 

Closing Date

16/10/2020

## Information

Minimum Age 14

Duration 5 Day/s

Industry

Architecture

Architecture

Closing Date

16/10/2020

# Sixth Form Year 12 Prefect Team

Congratulations to our newly appointed prefects!

The students went through an intense application and interview process to secure their role as a prefect. The Sixth Form team were extremely impressed with the quality of applicants this year. So much so that they appointed extra prefects as the competition was simply so strong!

We look forward to seeing their contributions to the school.



Dejaine Quildon-Parke 12R, John Pereira 12R, Adeyemi Ademola 12A, Gabriel Lagrata 12P, Angelica Sabarias 12R, Pascal Marimootoo 12I, Samantha Munyambuga 12I, Rohan Farquhar 12S, Kya Brown 12A, Abiola Kushanu-Oniru 12P, Tanya Cannon 12A, Teni Balogun 12A, Alexina Yevu 12E, Kia Speary 12E, Jennifer Ganesharajah 12S, Teshawna Barnett 12A, Angel Foster 12S, Juno Vimalenthiran 12E, Jayden Lemonius 12I, Victoria Kofoworola 12P

# SPACE TO DISCUSS CONCEPTS OF RACE AND IDENTITY

# DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION SESSIONS

Open to all 6th formers, this extracurricular club will culminate in the undertaking of a summer research project that will be presented in the autumn of 2021

Wednesdays via Zoom @ 4:10pm

Sign up HERE

Contact Mr Sayer for more information mr.sayer@holyfamilycatholicschool.co.uk

Autumn Term
Race
Racism
Ethnicity
Gender
Sexuality
Class
Capitalism
Culture
The West
Colourism
Religion

Spring Term
Where should we start black
history?
Africa's ancient civilisations
Impact of these civilisations
Inseperable history
Black radicalism 1600-present
Approaches in black history
Post colonial Africa?
Decolonising education

LET'S TALK ABOUT RACISM

Summer Term
Black Feminism
Black political activism
Black conservatism
Music
Film
Art
Summer projects

Every Monday

@ 4PM
VIA GOOGLE MEETS
CODE: WKCCH2R

PARENTS WELCOME

FOR MORE INFO EMAIL: MR.SHAH@HOLYFAMILYCATHOLICSCHOOL.CO.UK



# Families in London needed for nationwide 'Tutored Childhoods' study

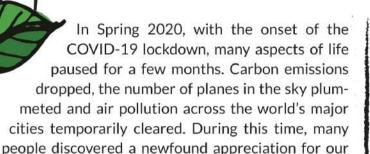
Researchers from Loughborough University are looking to speak with families in London about their use of private tuition — including those who don't use private tuition. One parent and one young person (Years 10-13) from each participating family will be interviewed individually. This will take place at a time that is convenient for you and will be done remotely (via phone or video call - whichever you prefer) due to the ongoing coronavirus pandemic. Each individual participant will receive a £25 gift voucher. If you would like to learn please contact Sam Whewall via S.Whewall@lboro.ac.uk or 07384 344216. more about the study or if you are interested in taking part,

# All eyes to the FUTURE









local green spaces and natural environment.

# The challenge:

Can you design an innovation that will help to ensure a green future?

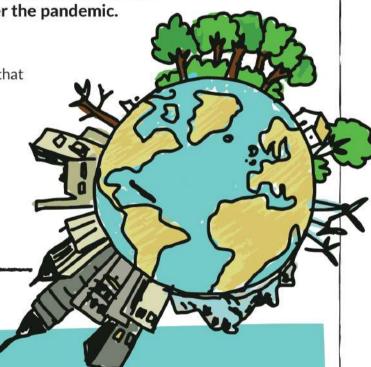
# What is a green future or a green recovery?

A green recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic has been discussed a lot. It means focusing on environmentally friendly and sustainable ways of achieving economic growth again after the pandemic.

# A green recovery could include:

- Ensuring that carbon emissions are lowered and that action is taken against climate change
- More investment in renewable energy
- More investment in sustainable transport
- Focusing on protecting nature, wildlife and biodiversity in both urban and rural areas

Put simply, it would mean ALWAYS thinking about the future of our planet when making decisions.





The deadline for the competition is 16th October.

The best 5 entries from each school will be sent to Groundwork and prizes will be awarded to the best 50 entries overall.

The competition is open to all Key Stage 3 students.

All competition entries should be submitted on the competition entry form.

You can complete the entry form by hand or electronically.

For more information or an entry form please email Ms. Nordon ms.nordon@holyfamilycatholicschool.co.uk





# 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

DIRECT COMPANIES YOU CAN FIND A JOB WITH ADMIN/PROPERTY/EDUCATION/CONSTRUCTION INSPIRATIONAL GUEST SPEAKERS

20 20

# CREATING YOUR FUTURE

A WORKSHOP ENABLING YOU TO FAST FORWARD YOUR FUTURE
CAREER GOALS, INCLUDES:-

- How to create the best CV
- How to be in demand at work and in your industry
- How to market yourself in a digital world
- How to interview so you get the job you really want
- How to find enjoyment in your job

zoom event

OCTOBER 24TH 2020 10AM-2PM

FAST FORWARD YOUR FUTURE GOALS

JOBFAIR@EDUCATESTAFFING.LONDON

I was looking for something exactly like The Maths
Cafe For Adults, the teachers explain things
thoroughly and there's no assumption that you'd
know something already, no question or answer is
too silly and they start from the very beginning of
each topic which I appreciate very much as I find
mathematics very difficult and daunting.I'm hopeful
that I'll gain a better understanding of maths so I
can help my child when she gets to school age &
maybe if I get an even better grasp I'd like to resit
my G.C.S.E's!
Here's hoping!





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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