

# St. Julie's Sixth Form Newsletter



July 2014

# Physicist Of The Year!

**Congratulations to Olivia Kingston in Year 13 who has been named as Ogden Trust Schools Physicist of the Year for 2013/14.**

Olivia was presented the award at a ceremony at the University of Liverpool last week, and thoroughly deserves the award thanks to her hard work, determination, application and talent shown for Physics at A level.



## Tomorrow's Teachers

This exciting programme was launched this term at St Julie's by Mike Ashton from Edge Hill University. The aim of the programme is to offer Year 13 students who might be considering a career in teaching the opportunity to engage in hands on observation and discussion of the various areas that make up a teacher's daily responsibilities.

This prestigious programme requires students to attend placements in a school, with support and input from our partner schools, along with sessions delivered by Edge Hill University. At the end of the programme there is the opportunity to spend a day at the Faculty of Education where they will receive an official Edge

Hill certificate summarising their involvement and achievement; something that will be useful to them when applying to university and attending teacher training interviews.

In addition, students will have a mock interview organised by Edge Hill staff, tour of the Edge Hill Campus and Education Faculty plus bespoke advice on completing UCAS applications, personal statements and skills tests. There will also be the chance to gain general advice and guidance about the various routes into a career in teaching.

In September, an additional Year 12 cohort will be identified to further strengthen the links St Julie's has with Edge Hill to ensure our prospective teachers progress to University with one foot on the Initial Teacher Training ladder.



## A Level Results Day Arrangements

**A level results day falls this year on Thursday 14th August.**

A Level Results will be available between 9.00 am and 11.00am in the Cuvily Dining Room. AS Level results will be available between 10.30am and 12.00am in the Cuvily Dining Room.

If students are not able to attend to collect results in person and wish to send someone to collect results for them, then they must complete an authorisation form available from the website and pass it to the person who will be collecting their results to bring with them on results day. Good luck everyone!



**With UCAS Apply 2015 now having gone live, students and their parents were invited to attend an information evening on Thursday 3rd July to help guide them through the application process.** A wide range of support materials is available to students via the School VLE to assist with completing the application form, writing personal statements and much more.

This was followed by an information evening on Wednesday 9th July for parents of Year 11 applicants to Sixth Form to outline some of the key things that students can be doing to prepare for starting their A Level and Level 3 BTEC courses in September. All subject areas have made available 'Bridging Work' to be completed over the summer break as a means of helping students to familiarise themselves with the demands of their new courses.

On the same evening, parents of students in Years 10-12 were invited to attend a presentation by the Student Finance company, giving advice, guidance and reassurance about the process of applying for and repaying loans to cover university tuition fees.

# Blooming Great Tea Party!

Time for tea? We've had a **Blooming Great Tea Party** to help raise over £600 for Marie Curie Cancer Care!

The event was organised by our Year 12 Students as part of the work that they all undertake in their studies for RE.

Our guests at tea included students from right through the year groups, who as well as choosing from a bewildering array of cakes and tasty treats got to try some fun activities too.



## Year 12 Do The Business

On Tuesday 17th June, all Year 12 students attended the prestigious International Festival of Business, held this year at Aintree Racecourse.

The event was a valuable opportunity for students to learn about a wide range of possible future careers as they start to plan their next steps.

Students were able to speak to representatives from (amongst others) the Liverpool City Region Apprenticeship Hub, the National Careers Service, Life Sciences

and Healthcare, Digital and Creative Industries, Advanced Manufacturing and Engineering, Hair and Beauty (including TV's own Herbert the Hairdresser), the Visitor Economy and the Low Carbon and Construction Sectors.

As you would expect, St Julie's excelled in the many 'have a go' activities - with notable successes in the 'Keepy Uppy Challenge' and the 'Tyre Off and On' challenge!

Feedback from students was very positive, with a range of further events planned to help give them the information, advice and guidance they need and this crucial juncture in their studies.



## Students Reap Rewards of PSHE Day

On the 26th June, Year 12 students enjoyed a great day working with lots of visitors to our school for our latest PSHE day.

Year 12 were involved in a range of different activities, including road safety and safer driving with Merseyside Fire and Rescue Service, an informative UCAS talk from Edge Hill University and an exciting Careers Challenge workshop from Pro Arts. Students were also given the opportunity to have mock interviews and were given feedback; something that will come in use when applying for university or apprenticeships.

Thanks to all of our students who worked hard to make the day a smooth, enjoyable and productive experience.



## Year 13 Leavers' Mass

The Year 13 Leavers' Mass, celebrated by Father Ed Cain, took place on Friday 23rd May. Students gave thanks for their years in St Julie's, remembering all of those who had supported them on their journey through school and sharing pictures and memories of their time with us. The whole day provided a fantastic send off for students as they began study leave before their final examinations.



## BTEC Acoustic Night

Our BTEC Music Performance students have put on a fabulous show with their latest acoustic night!

The set showcased the talents of all students in the group, performing a diverse range of tracks spanning many genres and years!

The audience had a great night, as the students maintained their usual superb standard.