St. Julie's Catholic High School

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Welcome to Our Summer Term Newsletter.

We are about to enter a new era in the life of St Julie's

Catholic High School. In just a few short weeks we will take possession of our bespoke, traditionally designed school.

Being in a conservation area in Woolton Village the school has been designed to complement its surroundings, reduce the impact of its activities on the natural environment and provide state of the art facilities for a 21st century education. However, we have not lost sight of our heritage as we have much to learn from our past and we take it forward with our new students for a bright and positive future.

We are also delighted to report that our latest Inspection by the Archdiocese of Liverpool found that the school was Outstanding in all areas. This is a brilliant achievement and accurately reflects the type of education that St Julie's Catholic High School provides.

For more information visit our website at: www.stjulies.org or come and join us at our Open Evening on Thursday 29 June 2017 from 3.30 pm to 6.00 pm.

'Open House' **Event Draws A** Crowd

On the 10th June we welcomed back over 500 former students and staff members for a nostalgic look around our old building before it closes.

The event was a wonderful chance to catch up with some of our alumni and see what they're up to now.

Among our visitors were an advisor to the UN and an Olympic Athlete! We're looking forward to sharing some of their stories with you and having our alumni members engaging with our students in creative and inspiring ways in the future.



For September

We hope you've all had the opportunity to see how well our new school building is progressing. Inside the building we have a hive of activity as contractors are making great progress on fitting out the internal spaces ready for occupation in September. Kier have been in regular contact further visits as the building nears completion. with us throughout the build and we're confident that

students will be delighted with the new building when they start the new Academic Year. We've already had some tours of the building for staff and students and will be looking forward to increasing the frequency of



Foundation Day is always a highlight of our calendar, and this year's celebration at Liverpool Hope University was no exception.

The theme this year was 'people on the move' in recognition of our transition to a new building.

We looked at how the Sisters moved around the world, and through each of the countries that they visited. We learned some more about Sister Maureen's work in Nigeria establishing a brand new school at which students will wear the same uniform that our students wear. Finally we looked at the arrival of the Sisters in Liverpool and how they moved throughout the city before opening our school in Woolton.

This year we extended our Foundation day celebration to include our annual awards ceremony in the evening, where in the presence of parents, carers, staff, governors and many of the Sisters of Notre Dame, we gave deserved recognition to the skills, talents and very hard work of many of our students.

Our special congratulations go to the recipient of the final and most prestigious award of the evening, the Spirit of St. Julie award, which was presented by Sr. Margaret Walsh SND to Megan Lester in Year 12.



We're thrilled to report that former student Jodie Comer's rise to fame has taken a well earned boost with a BAFTA nomination for her work on the hard hitting BBC3 Drama 'Thirteen'.

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St. Julie's hits the READING standard reading!

> St. Julie's have received a visit from the Reading Quality Mark assessment team. We are delighted to announce that we received a Gold award! Mrs Wells, the assessor, was very pleased with the opportunities that pupils have at St. Julie's to read for pleasure. Reading is at the centre of our school culture as it is a vital skill to secure excellence in academic life and in future

Year 4 and 5 Open Evening: Thursday 29th June 3:30-6:00pm



Athletes Continue Winning

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Our athletes are continuing a phenomenal year with another competition win.

The junior athletics team have chalked up a victory in the first round of the English Schools athletics competition at the Oval in Bebington.

This win qualifies the team for the North West of Enlgand regional final on the 14th June in Wigan. We're still waiting on the overall result from the Merseyside Catholic Schools athletics tournament from which we brought back 44 medals, and this comes after Year 7 and 8 were crowned Sports Hall Athletics Champions despite not having access to a Sports Hall all year!

It is to the credit of our PE staff and the competitive spirit of our students that we've been able to continue to achieve such remarkable results despite having limited resources this year. We've a lot to look forward to next year!

Are you getting our weekly newsletters?

Each week we send out a newsletter to parents by email filled with the latest news stories and useful information for parents. You'll only receive it if we have your email address, so please contact the school office if you wnat to add or update any contact information.



Scholars' Programme Stretches and Challenges

Earlier in the Spring we launched our Scholars' Programme to enrich the high level learning opportunities available to our students. The launch took place at Liverpool Hope University with a keynote address from the Vice Chancellor and Rector, Professor Gerald Pillay.

Through a range of strategies we've been able to get our students engaged with PhD tutors and guest lecturers such as eminent mathematician Professor Peter Giblin from the University of Liverpool.

As well as learning new skills, students in the programme are gaining insights into the wider world including access to Oxbridge Courses, high demand courses such as Medicine and business and commerce with Lloyds Finance.



Don't Miss Our Open Evening Events!

If you're considering St. Julie's as a school for your daughter then be sure not to miss out on our forthcoming open evenings.

On Thursday 29th June from 3:30-6:00pm you can meet our staff and students to find out what being part of the St. Julie's community means. Then on Thursday 5th October we'll be proud to invite you into our new home for a look around!



Good Luck Year 13!

We've waved an emotional farewell to our most senior students as we celebrated the Year 13 Leavers' Mass.

The service is always a poignant one with tears and laughter, and is a wonderful occasion to share memories as we look towards the future. The service also includes the symbolic

handing over of gowns from the current 1804 Society to the incoming society formed of students currently in Year 12.

We give all of our departing students our

best and warmest wishes in all that lies ahead for them, including their results day in August that we're planning to have in our brand new building! We look forward to a very successful day.

Our latest charitable donation has seen six pupils from Year 7 spending £423 in Tesco on provisions for the Hope+ Foodbank.

The money was raised in an incredible effort from Gabriella in Year 7, and this is just the latest kindness in a fantastic year for fundraising at St. Julie's.

Our mission statement calls us to make fairness, care and compassion central to the life of our Catholic learning community. In an Archdiocesan



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inspection this term, inspectors commented on how impressed they were that our students own the mission statement and live it from the heart.

There is surely no better

demonstration of this than the total fundraising this year of £3,034 which has benefited charities such as Zoe's Place, Macmillan, Marie Curie, Children in Need and Hope Foodbank.

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