



## **WEEKLY NEWSLETTER**

Friday 15th March 2024

### PRAYER

Lord Jesus,
You came to bring us life in all its fullness.
As we journey together,
May all at SEACA weave together a tapestry of Love, Inspiration, Empowerment and Joy.
May each one of us grow in your likeness,
As we strive to become all you call us to be.
We pray that all at SEACA become 'Strong in Faith' and love others as our patron did.

We make our prayer through Christ, our Lord.

Amen

#### Headteacher's Introduction

Dear Parents, Grandparents and Carers,

I hope this newsletter finds you well. I am thrilled to share with you some updates on the exciting events and activities that have been taking place across the academy this week.

Yesterday, we held our annual SEACA Careers Fair! We would like to say a huge thank you to all businesses who came into school to share their experiences and advice with our young people. All year groups had an opportunity throughout the school day to visit the Careers Fair. Pupils engaged brilliantly with our visitors and really valued the experience. We have such passionate and ambitious pupils at our academy and it is wonderful to see them explore their interests and future aspirations.

A reminder for our Year 8 families - Year 8 Parents' Evening will take place on Thursday 21st March 2024, between 3:30pm and 6:30pm. Your child is welcome to attend with you, should you wish to bring them along. This is an excellent opportunity to meet your child's teachers and discuss their journey throughout Year 8. We look forward to welcoming you into the academy.







# DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

#### Dates for your diary next term:

- Thursday 21st March 2024 Year 8 Parents' Evening
- Tuesday 26th March 2024 New Year 7 Welcome Evening
- Wednesday 27th March 2024 Year 11 written reports issued to parents
- Thursday 28th March 2024 School closes for Easter break

#### Year 11 Mock Exams

Year 11 mocks have now concluded. Well done to all involved. We will communicate the mock results with parents and carers alongside the Year 11 final written report at the end of this term.

Any pupils that missed mocks due to absence will be catching up with them over the next week.

#### **Year 11 Easter Revision Sessions**

Year 11 Easter revision will take place in the second week of the Easter holidays: Monday 8th April – 12th April 2024. Please view the timetable via the link below. A letter has been posted home and also given out in school to pupils.

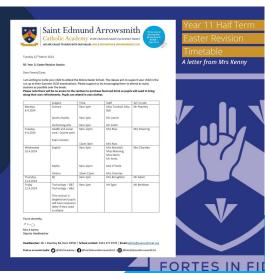
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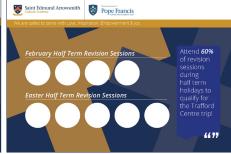


#### Year 11 Rewards for Revision:

Attendance to revision during school time earns money off prom tickets. If pupils attend revision everyday pupils will attend prom for free.

Attendance to holiday revision - There are 9 available dates to attend, there were 4 in February half term and there will be a further 5 revision sessions over Easter break. If pupils attend 60% of the sessions or more they are able to attend the Year 11 reward trip to the Trafford Centre.



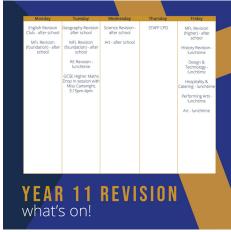




#### **Maths Challenge**

We're encouraging pupils to try our weekly maths challenge! Pick up a challenge card from reception, fill in your answer and include your name and year group on your card. When complete, post your card into the box at reception. Watch this space for further Maths challenges in the coming weeks!





#### Year 11 Revision:

Year 11 are welcome in school from 8am every morning and up to 4pm every evening after school to carry out their private study on the first floor mezzanine. There will be laptops available if they would like to use them.

Miss Cartwright's GCSE Higher Maths Drop In session is new to the Year 11 revision timetable. This sessions runs 3:15pm-4pm every Tuesday. It is an opportunity for pupils to ask for help with any problems they have come across in their independent revision.

Year 11 revision for core subjects runs at lunchtime Monday – Thursday. Sessions for pupils will be by invitation from the departments for Year 11. This will be based on revision needs of pupils identified by staff. These groups will change as gaps in knowledge are closed and other cohorts are then identified. The revision days for the departments are as follows:

Monday - Science, Tuesday - RE, Wednesday - English, Thursday - Maths



#### This week's theme for Prayer and Liturgy is Eternal Life

Eternal life is not just about living forever but is also about living a full life forever.

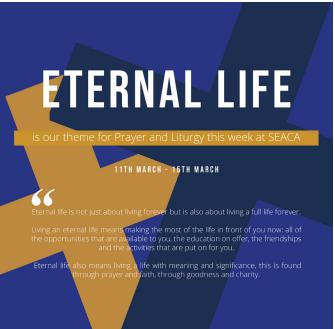
Living an eternal life means making the most of the life in front of you now: all of the opportunities that are available to you, the education on offer, the friendships and the activities that are put on for you.

Eternal life also means living a life with meaning and significance, this is found through prayer and faith, through goodness and charity.

#### Co-curricular Timetable

Please take a look at our updated co-curricular timetable. We have lots of new additions that pupils can attend both at lunchtime and after school.





#### A Message from Mrs Lanceley

The academy has received some funding which can be distributed to families with children attending SEACA. Please contact Mrs Lanceley at n.lanceley@seaca.pfcmat.org or phone the academy on 0151 477 8770 to discuss support. Examples of what we can help with are below, but please contact if there is anything else we can support with.

- Energy bills
- Water bills
- Food
- Clothing
- Washing machines
- Fridges freezers

#### Activities in the Academy

We have had lots going on in the academy this week! As you're aware, last Thursday was World Book Day and we celebrated in school with a variety of activities planned by our English Department. This week, we crowned the winners of our competitions and awarded them their prizes!

Also this week, the academy hosted our annual SEACA Careers Fair. We would like to say a huge thank you to all businesses who came into school to share their experiences and advice with our young people. All year groups had an opportunity throughout the school day to visit the Careers Fair. Pupils engaged brilliantly with our visitors and really valued the experience. We have such passionate and ambitious pupils at our academy and it is wonderful to see them explore their interests and future aspirations.

KS3 have been celebrating British Science Week in their Science lessons this week. The theme this year is 'Time'. Pupils have been engaging in a range of activities from testing their reactions times, to investigating how to accurately measure time without a stopwatch in the lab. The Science Department would like say a huge well done to all pupils!











# Attendance Absence Procedures at SEACA

Text messages are sent daily to parents/carers if a pupil is absent.

**First day** - Head of Year will contact home to complete first day calls.

**Second day** - Head of Year will contact home to complete absence support calls.

**Third day** - Home visits are conducted by the Attendance Team to offer support and encourage a return to school.

During and after the above time scales there will be regular communication with parents/carers.

#### Ten days of absence (Child not seen)

- Our safeguarding protocols reiterate the importance of contact with an absent child and parent/carer during a sustained period of absence.

To meet our Attendance Safeguarding Procedures (Statuary Guidance KCSIE 2023), SEACA will endeavour to support families to confirm a home visit to see the child. If the home visit request is unsuccessful, we will liaise with the Schools Safety Officer.

Please contact the Attendance Team if you require help or support to improve your child's attendance.

- 0151 477 8770 option 1
- seaca-attendance@seaca.pfcmat.org



# ATTENDANCE MATTERS!

SEACA-attendance@seaca.pfcmat.org

100% = 0 days of learning missed.

95% = 9 days of absence. 1 week and 4 days of learning missed.

90% = 19 days of absence. 3 weeks and 4 days of learning missed.

85% = 28 days of absence. 5 weeks and 3 days of learning missed.

80% = 38 days of absence. 7 weeks and 3 days of learning missed.

75% = 46 days of absence. 9 weeks and 1 day of learning missed.

If attendance falls to 90%, a child is likely to be missing 1 out of every 10 words they read or that are spoken by a teacher.

