



# Mount St Joseph Catholic School

*A Community of Learners, Believers and Friends*

Weekly Newsletter: Friday 12th June 2020

Dear Mount St Joseph community,

I hope you and your families are keeping safe and well. Please could I welcome our new members to our MSJ community- our soon to be Year 7s and their families. We are very excited to meet each and every one of you in the coming weeks. Our newsletter this week contains lots of information on what's happening in our community. We are really excited about seeing our pupils and staff perform at our MSJam concert this evening at 7pm, we also have some goodbye messages for our Year 11 class of 2020- (see right for further information on how to watch our virtual concert tonight).

Year 10 students will be attending school in small groups starting on Monday 15th June 2020. All year 10 parents/ carers have been contacted with the details. We are very much looking forward to seeing you Year 10!

There is lots more information for our community to read on our website: [www.msj.bolton.sch.uk](http://www.msj.bolton.sch.uk) and our Twitter page @MSJBolton

Have a lovely weekend,  
Take care and stay safe,  
*Mrs Devany*

## MSJam

**Friday 12th June 2020**



Don't forget to join our Virtual MSJam. Please donate on our JustGiving page to receive a link to watch and enjoy our concert from the comfort of your own home. This will be a fantastic evening and a great opportunity for our students to showcase their musical talents. We've raised over £700 so far for the NHS!!

[Click here to donate and watch the show this evening at 7pm !](#)

## Chaplaincy

This Sunday marks Corpus Christi when we celebrate the body and blood of Jesus Christ through Holy Communion. At this time, as Catholics, we believe that we are uniting with Christ in the Eucharist as it has been transformed into his body and blood through the power of the Holy Spirit, and sharing in one of the most important events in the ministry of Jesus, the last supper.

Remember, the daily prayers are placed on Twitter, you can also contact Mr Houghton on: [haughtonm@msj.bolton.sch.uk](mailto:haughtonm@msj.bolton.sch.uk) if you have any intention for which you would like us all to pray for.



## Year 10 BTEC Enterprise & Health and Social Care

Well done on showing commitment to your studies. You will have an exam in February 2021 that counts towards your final grade. New lessons that will help you to prepare for this exam will go on SMH from Monday 15th June 2020. Please make sure you keep up with tasks on SMH and keep notes from these lessons that can be used for revision later. We are confident your hard work now will maximise your potential in Y11.



You are invited to

**#FutureReady: A Year 10 Virtual Event**

Monday **22 JUNE** 2020

A compact timetable of 3 or 4 days per week

Exceptional personalised guidance & support for every student

Highly qualified & inspirational teachers



Subsidised college bus services covering all nearby towns and villages

A beautiful & safe campus

An amazing array of extra-curricular opportunities

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## Messages From Your Heads of House:

### Mandela

Hello Mandela, I trust you and your families are safe and well. Thank you for all your fantastic efforts in our house competitions so far, it really is great to see how much of a caring community we are. Keep working hard and keep doing us proud. Take care, stay safe and I hope to see you soon. Miss McClean.

### Shakespeare

Hi Shakespeare House! Hope you and your families are all well! Thank you to all those who have been contributing to our community, whether it is making rainbows with messages or volunteering in some way. Please continue to do the best for our community during these unsettled times,. We will all come out of this stronger together if we work as one. All the best to you and your families. Mr. Bamber #goShakespeare

### Jenner

Dear Jenner students,

In these strange times I think it's important that we think about how our house namesake, Edward Jenner, helped during a similar disease outbreak in the late 18th century. He created and popularised a vaccination for smallpox. His favourite saying was, "Don't think; try". That's all I ask you to do at this difficult time is to try. Whether it is trying a new skill, trying to keep up with your school work or trying to help someone. Sending lots of love and positivity to you all! Take care of yourselves and each other. Miss Blenkinship



### Fantastic Friday

This week's Fantastic Friday winners are:

- **Ben in year 9 for winning the MFL competition**
- **Ellegra in year 8 for her fantastic drama work on lockdown TV show ideas**
- **The in-school winner is James in year 8**

Teachers have also nominated the following to receive this week's Headteacher's Award for fantastic work completed at home:

Y7: Sneha P

Y8: Grace W

Y9: Zaina J

Y10: Aaron M

### Home Learning Update

We have completed our first week using the new home timetable – well done everyone. Thank you to our students for all of your hard work here. And a huge thank you to all our parents for your help and support with keeping our students working at home. Years 7, 8 and 9 will now move onto the second week of the two week timetable sent last week. We will continue to post the timetables every day on Show My Homework (SMH) and Twitter. Class teachers will continue to provide the lessons and tasks on SMH for each session on the timetable.

Year 10 will start a new timetable from **Monday, 15th June**. This will be available on SMH and will differ from student to student depending on the groups for students returning to school. There will be some work for each of your GCSE subjects to make sure you are getting as much out of home learning as possible. Excitingly, staff are now beginning to record some of their lessons. Students will be able to listen to their teachers explaining what they have to do and they may even see their teachers via video links. These recorded lessons will be available on SMH from Monday, 15th June. Make sure you are logging on daily to access them. Heads of Year will also be placing assemblies and prayers on the notice board, so please look out for these too.

#### Show My Homework - Top Tips:

Use the calendar function on the Show My Homework webpage. This will allow you to filter the subject and teacher so that you can find your lessons and tasks more quickly.

Check the notice board daily in order to access your timetable for the day, key notices and any assemblies and prayers.

