



Mount St Joseph Catholic School

A Community of Learners, Believers and Friends

Weekly Newsletter: Friday 16th May 2020

Dear Mount St Joseph community,

I hope you continue to be safe and well.

Following the Prime Minister's announcement last Sunday, there has been a lot of media speculation about the reopening of schools. As you will be aware, secondary schools are being asked to "offer some face-to-face support to supplement the remote education of year 10 students who are due to take key exams next year".

We are carefully following the advice from the DfE and are now waiting for further guidance and clarification from the government before we form our action plan. We will share this with you as soon as possible so you know what our school's reopening will look like in practice and any concerns can be shared.

The school is still open for vulnerable students and the children of key workers.

As always, I would like to thank you for your continued support. The work that students are producing is fantastic! As I have previously informed you, staff continue to work in school on a rota and are also working from home. If you require any further support or information, please contact the school office Monday– Friday between 8am-4pm.

We pray to St Joseph to keep all our community safe and well,

Take care and stay safe,

Mrs Devany

Home Learning

Just a reminder to all pupils - there has been a lot of work placed on Show My Homework - some of which have very long deadlines. You are not expected to complete **every** piece of work - please do not feel you are expected to. Your teachers have set work to make sure you have things to do but you do not have to do absolutely everything.

Look at what your teachers are setting each week and try to do those tasks or send your teachers a message asking them which work you should prioritise. This may mean some tasks set previously may not be completed - please do not worry about this.

If you are struggling or unsure, message your teachers who will happily help you or send an email to homestudy@msj.bolton.sch.uk



Competitions and Challenges

There are lots of competitions running on the department Twitter pages at the moment. Make sure you have a look and join in! @MSJBolton

Technology Department — 'bright idea challenge', 'Design and Spacesuit' Challenge for 2024 when they plan to land the first woman on the moon.

Food— Vegetarian challenge, Monster food challenge

PE— Design a sports kit

Mental Health Awareness Week

Next week is Mental Health Awareness week. The theme this year is 'Kindness'. Teachers will be sharing lots of information and activities on departmental Twitter accounts. There is more information on the Mental Health Foundation website if you would like to read more about this.

<https://www.mentalhealth.org.uk/campaigns/mental-health-awareness-week>



Year 11

Information for students with an offer from Runshaw College

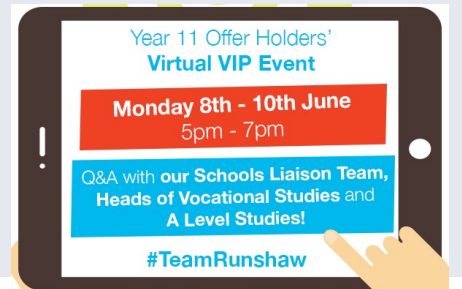
Runshaw College have asked that the following information is passed on to relevant year 11 students:

[Virtual VIP Event—Monday 8th to 10th June from 5pm to 7pm.](#)

Year 10

We are continuing to keep in touch with local colleges regarding taster days. Bolton Sixth form have advised that unfortunately their taster days for Summer 2020 have been cancelled. They have shared a PowerPoint Presentation and asked that we share this with our Year 10 students. You can find the PowerPoint [here](#).

We are continuing to correspond with all colleges and will share any Information with you as and when we receive it.



Fantastic Friday

Due to the Bank Holiday last week we did not include the winners of Fantastic Friday on last week's newsletter. The winners of last week's Fantastic Friday were **Andrew in Year 8** and **Kacie in Year 7**. **Samuel in Year 7** was the winner in school!

This week's winners are **Anna in year 9** and **Eryk in Year 8**. The winner in school is **Megan in Year 8!**

Well done to all of our winners and all of our students who are continuing to complete the amazing work!

