



Mount St Joseph Catholic School

A Community of Learners, Believers and Friends

Weekly Newsletter: Friday 3rd July 2020

Dear Mount St Joseph community,

I hope you and your families are keeping safe and well. We are fast approaching the end of the academic year and what a year it has been! I would like to thank our students, staff, parents and carers for your continued support at this time; it makes me immensely proud to work alongside such a wonderful community. We have been so impressed and proud of the resilience our students have shown at this difficult time and we look forward to seeing them all again back in school.

Tonight would have been the Year 11 Prom at The Holiday inn, we are truly disappointed for the Year 11s that we can not celebrate with them tonight. Year 11, we promise that once we can, we will have the celebrations you deserve. We have put together a short leavers' liturgy and some messages from our staff- see link on parent/ carer email.

We contacted parents/ carers earlier this week to invite our Year 7-9 students into school for one face to face session before the end of term; we are looking forward to seeing our students over the next two weeks. Your child's form teacher will be contacting each family in our community including our new Year 7 intake before the summer break.

Please do not hesitate to contact the school if you have any questions or concerns- 01204 391800

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

Have a lovely weekend,
Take care and stay safe,

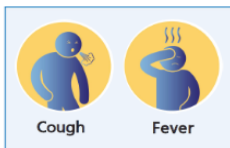
Congratulations Shakespeare House

Mr Bamber is walking even taller than usual this week owing to the fact that Shakespeare has clinched victory in our amazing Virtual Sports Day. Representatives from each house competed in events such as sock-keepie ups, press ups and shuttle runs. Full results of each event were posted on Twitter. Thanks to Mrs Ingham and the fabulous PE department for organising.



CORONAVIRUS

Do you have either
of these symptoms?



Please go home and self-isolate for seven days,
or 14 days if you share your home with others.

This week we have even more fantastic new information on our website, including our welcome evening presentation. There are also welcome letters from form teachers, current students, head prefects, Mr Caunce and Mrs Devany. If you have any questions, please email caunce@msj.bolton.sch.uk

Year 6 Transition Update

Year 6 Transition Information



Fantastic Friday

This week's Fantastic Friday winners are:

Mitul in Year 9 and **Khushi** in Year 7

The in school winner is: **Samuel** in Year 7

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

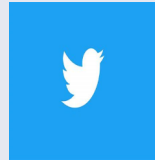
Y7: **Liam** for his hard work on SMHW and completing fantastic work

Y8: **Demi** for engaging with the reading programme

Y9: **Dylan** for completing a significant amount of homework and his motivation.

Y10: **Alina** for her outstanding work

And a huge well done to some of the **year 6** students who will soon be joining us, especially **Safa** for her British history project and **Sajad** for completing lots of work at home; both of St Michael's in Great Lever.



Survey: Premium Banking

Don't forget to complete the survey to help us improve our rewards system. Use this link:

[https://](https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/7PRCM8J)

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Home Learning Update

Our fantastic students in years 7-10 have successfully completed another two-week home learning timetable – well done to all! Recorded lessons are proving to be very effective, with many of our students saying they enjoy them and are learning more. Year 10 have also completed another positive week in school with even more pupils joining us for sessions this week. A new two-week timetable will be sent home today and be live on Show My Homework from next week 0- make sure you check out your new sessions.

We have successfully trialled some live lessons this week using Microsoft Teams – which has been very exciting! We are hoping to do more live lessons next week. Students involved will be sent an invitation with a time and how to log on included. However, students need to make sure they read the User Agreement that was sent home last Friday and set for homework this week before they can be invited to attend any live lessons. Please read through the document and message Miss Reynolds on Show My Homework or send an email to homestudy@msj.bolton.sch.uk to say you have read it and understood the terms of the agreement.

Make sure you are submitting your work on Show My Homework or emailing your work to your teachers. Keep working hard everyone!

From our Chaplain

Today is the feast day of St Thomas, the dedicated but impetuous follow of Christ. He is most famous for his unwillingness to believe that the other Apostles had seen the risen Lord on the first Easter Sunday earning him the title of "Doubting Thomas".



Thank You Mr Ainscough, Mr Algie and Mr Shaw for looking after our building



Virtual Assemblies

The wellbeing theme for this week has been "social justice". This is incredibly topical right now, with communities fragmented and the BLM movement taking centre stage. If you haven't already, check out our assembly over Show My Homework.

Next week's theme is "

