

Newsletter

Friday 6th May 2022

Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

TES Award Nomination



In recognition of Notre Dame's boundless commitment to true inclusion and to meeting the needs of all members of our community, parents and carers may have seen on our Twitter feed that Notre Dame Catholic College have been nominated for a national **TES Award for SEND Provision in a Mainstream Setting of the Year**. We are one of only 4 schools nationally who have been formally nominated for the award. This is fantastic achievement for all staff, students and parents/carers connected to Flourish@NotreDame. Many congratulations to all involved and good luck at the awards ceremony in June!

Theme of the week: Mary, Mother of Jesus



This week's collective worship and assemblies focused on Mary, Mother of Jesus and the inspiration she gave to our Foundress, St Julie, who named her Congregation the Sisters of Notre Dame as an expression of her love for Mary. We also reflected on the inspiration Mary continues to be to us here at Notre Dame as the embodiment of our core values of **Charity**, **Courtesy**, **Courage** and **Confidence**.



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Year 10 Work Experience Launch



On Wednesday, Year 10 heard from Chris at **Elevate education business partnership** who Notre Dame have commissioned to support the College and our students in preparing for and taking in part in a week's face-to-face work experience next year. Every student in the year group will attend a week's work experience in the week immediately after their December mocks. This often proves to be a defining experience for young people as they prepare for examinations and make decisions about their futures. We would like to thank Chris for such an engaging presentation and encourage our students to think about potential work experience placements for December. Further details on this will be sent out to Year 10 students and parents later in the term.

Our Core Values in the Community



Finally, we would like to take this opportunity to encourage parents and carers to revisit the virtual 'welcome back' assembly, that was shared back in January, which can be viewed on the college's YouTube channel [here](#). The presentation explains how we expect Notre Dame students to conduct themselves outside of school. Since our return after Easter, we have received a number of reports of from colleagues on the Jennifer Avenue retail park of anti-social behaviour that falls well short of these expectations and values. Please ensure that your son or daughter comes straight home after school to avoid any anti-social behaviour after school. Thank you as always for your support in this.

Wishing every Notre Dame family a peaceful and safe weekend.

Mr Duffy



RESONATE NEWS

On Saturday 7th May Resonate will launch a Saturday Arts School in partnership with Milapfest which will run every Saturday up to the summer.

Indian dance and music classes will take place with sessions running from 10.00am to 3.00pm.

Please contact Mr Jonathan Dickson for further details—0151 330 5130

Also on 7th May Resonate will run an iCreate Day for the young musicians who attend Resonate Music Studios.

Around 25 students will take part using the Drama Studio. Again please contact Mr Jonathan Dickson for further details.



Extra Curricular

Extra Curricular Timetable Summer Term 2022

DAY	TIME	CLUB	TARGET	ROOM	TAKEN BY
MONDAY	8.45 -9.15am	Lego Therapy/Social Skills	Year 7	Therapy Rm	SEN Dept
	12.30-1PM	Faith in Action	Year 7	Chaplaincy	RW
	3pm – 3:30pm	Year 7 Choir	Year 7	Music Room M1	JH
TUESDAY	8.45-9.15am	Lego Therapy/Social Skills	Year 7	Therapy Rm	
	8.00- 8.35am	Early Morning Music	All Years	Music Room	JH/JMcK
	8.15 – 9.10am	Youth Mental Health	Key stage 3	Thrive Room	Assistant Year Heads
	12.30-1PM	Faith in Action	Year 8	Chaplaincy	RW
	12.30 – 1pm	Ideas Club	7,8 and 9	Computer room	LH
	12.30 -1pm	Career drop in	7,8 & 9	Career Office	GH
	1.30 – 2pm	1804	Year 13	Chaplaincy	RW
	3.00pm-4pm	Badminton	Staff and students	Sports Hall	HMCC
	3.00pm-4pm	Gym	Year 7 & 8	Sports Hall	PMcG/DMcK
	3.00pm-4pm	Science revision	Yr 11	Science Room	Science Dept
	3.00pm-4pm	Computing	Yr 11	Computer Rm	EC
WEDNESDAY	9.45 – 9.15am	Lego Therapt/Social Skills	Year 7	Therapy Room	SEN Dept
	8.00 – 8.35am	Early Morning Music	All Years	Music Room	JH/JMcK
	8.15am – 9.10am	Diversity	All year groups	Thrive Room	JL/SD
	12.30-1pm	Marvel	Year 7/8/9	Rm 43	AK
	12.30-1pm	Faith in Action	Year 11	Chaplaincy	RW
	1.30-2pm	Faith in Action	Year 9	Chaplaincy	RW
	3pm-4pm	Boys Basketball	7/8/9	Court	PM
	3pm -4pm	Gym	Year 9 & 10	Astro	DMcK
	3pm-4pm	Chamber Choir	Year 8 - 13	Music Room	Music Dept
	3pm -4pm	Sociology	Year 13	Rm 90	VP
	3pm-4pm	H & S Care coursework		Rm 45	AC
THURSDAY	8.45am – 9.15am	Lego Therapy/Social Skills	Year 7	Therapy Room	SEN Dept
	8.00 – 8.35am	Early Morning Club	All Years	Music Rm	JH/JMcK
	8.15 -9.10am	Youth Mental Health	Key stage 3	Thrive Room	Assistant Year Heads
	8.30-845am	Meditation	Year 7	Geography Rm	CW
	12.30pm 1pm	Philosophy Film Club	Year 7,8 & 9	RE Room	BD
	12.30pm-1pm	Games Club	Year 7,8 & 9	Chaplaincy	RW & 6 Formers
	1.30pm - 2pm	Games Club	Year 10, 11	Chaplaincy	RW & 6 Formers
	3pm – 4pm	Trampolineing	Year 7-11	Sports hall	JB
	3.15pm -4pm	STEM	Year 7 & 8	Science 86	Science Dept
	3pm – 4pm	Eco Projects	Year 10	DT	IC/RW
	3pm -4pm	Criminology	Year 12 and 13	90	VP
FRIDAY	8.45am – 9.15am	Lego Therapy/Social Skills	Year 7	Therapy Room	Sen TA
	12..30 – 1PM	Eco Club	Year 7/8/9	Chaplaincy	IC & RW

SAFEGUARDING REMINDERS



Important Contacts

If you currently need support for your mental health or well being these are some of the organisations who are happy to listen and help

Anxiety UK

03444775774 (Helpline)

075374160905 (Text)

Childline

0800 1111 (Free 24 hr helpline)

Papyrus Hotline

(Under 35s at risk of suicide or concerned for another)

0800 068 4141

07786209697 (text)

The Mix

(Support & Advice for under 25s)

0808 068 4994

85258 (Text THEMIX)

Young Minds

0808 803 5544 (Parent helpline)

85258 (Free 24hr crisis messenger, text YM)

Young Stonewall

Information & support for young people who identify as LGBTQ

0800 050 2020

Samaritans

Support for anyone who needs to talk

116 123 (Call)

Bullybusters

0800 169 6928

Please refer to the school website for further contact



The Safeguarding Team

Headteacher – Mr P Duffy
Deputy Headteacher – Mrs AM Costello

Designated Safeguarding Lead
Mrs E Brennan – Senior Assistant Headteacher

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads

Mrs J Littleboy – Assistant Head of Year
Mr D McKeon – Leadership – Director of Behaviour
Mr A McVerry – Leadership – SENCO

PC P Wood – school's safer police officer
Leadership/ Alternative Provision – Miss H McCullen
Attendance Officer – Mrs P Shrimpton
Special Educational Needs – Mrs K Sweeney
Pastoral Assistant Heads of Year – Ms R Glorman Y7, Mrs Doran Y8, Mrs E Garvey Y10, Miss C Lee Y11

If you feel a child is at risk

(suffering harm, neglect or abuse)

Any member of the public can contact

Careline on 0151 233 3700 or

Merseyside Police on 0151 709 6010

CRISIS DROP-IN'S

Across 3 Community Hubs



YPAS North Hub
Croxtale Road West,
L14 8YA

YPAS Central Hub
36 Bolton Street,
L3 5LX

YPAS South Hub
Lyndene Road,
L25 1NG

See website and social media for times

We can support you through times of crisis

- STRUGGLING WITH YOUR MENTAL HEALTH?
- YOU OR YOUR CHILD ARE IN A CRISIS?
- FEELING LONELY & ISOLATED?
- NEED A LISTENING EAR?
- NEED A SAFE SPACE?

Liverpool CAMHS
Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service
02022



<https://ypas.org.uk/services/whats-on-calendar/>

Childline - www.childline.org.uk

Childline is available to you if you have any concerns about:

- Bullying
- Abuse (physical, sexual, psychological, emotional, neglect)
- Your body and self esteem
- Your feelings
- Friendships
- Sexual advice
- Home life and families
- School

You can ring them on 0800 1111 or message them online here <https://www.childline.org.uk/registration/>

There are loads of resources available for you to download and read as well <https://www.childline.org.uk/info-advice/>



Domestic Abuse/Violence

Please remember, in an emergency dial 999 for immediate assistance.

You can call 999 without speaking then pressing 55, or tapping or coughing into the phone.

This will enable police to respond

Women's Aid

0808 2000 247 (24 hr helpline)

Men's Advice Line

0808 801 0327

Worst Kept Secret Helpline Merseyside

TOTAL TRUST IN TUTORS?



You may look to a tutor to assist in improving your child's educational development. If this is the case we have put together some guidance around choosing a tutor and supporting you into keeping your child safe after school.

Do's...

- Do** check the tutors qualifications
- Do** undertake background checks, including reference from last employer
- Do** speak to other parents who provide recommendations
- Do** ensure the sessions take place at your home and are visible to you
- Do** make sure you and your child feel comfortable with the tutor
- Do** challenge any practice you feel is inappropriate or harmful
- Do** make sure any communication from the tutor goes through you and not your child
- Do** do maintain boundaries - tutors are professionals you are paying for a service

Don'ts...

- Don't** assume the tutor has had background checks
- Don't** ignore if your child says they are not happy with the tutor
- Don't** leave your child alone with tutors whilst you are out / not around
- Don't** accept the tutor's word; ask to see evidence of qualifications
- Don't** allow your child and tutor to have each others their personal number / email / social media
- Don't** allow your child to meet the tutor outside of sessions
- Don't** accept practice or behaviour from the tutor that you feel is harmful, unsafe or unprofessional

Don't accept that a DBS check means someone is safe to work with children, if something does not feel right you should check or report:

- Communicate with your child
- Share information with the Local Authority Designated officer (LADO)
- Report concerns to the police

liverpool.gov.uk/SafeAfterSchool



Liverpool Safeguarding Children Partnership

With Thanks to Rochdale Safeguarding Children Partnership

