Newsletter

Friday 17th June 2022

Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

Year 6 Parents Information Event



We would like begin this week's newsletter by thanking all parents and students who attended our Year 6 Parent Information Event in preparation for children joining us in September. It was fantastic to see so many parents on the evening, which included presentations from Mr Duffy, Mrs Thomas and Mrs Brennan — there was even a recorded message from the Head of Year, Miss Wishart, who was on a training course in Coventry!

We do hope parents and pupils found the presentations useful. Any parents who were unable to attend the event can find all supporting presentation slides and information booklets on the new Year 7 Transition page on our college website.

You can view this page here: Year 7 Transition Information





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Year 6 Transition Day & Year 10 Remote Learning Day – Friday 8th July

Staying with transition into Notre Dame, we would also like to remind parents of next year's Year 7 cohort, that their full transition day at Notre Dame is on **Friday 8th July** – it will be here before we know it! To support in the logistics of this day, we are asking Year 10 to learn from home on this day. All Year 10 students will be set work against their normal timetable for that day. Work will be set on ClassCharts with clear instructions on how and when to submit that work. Thank you as always for your support with this.

Communication with home



Finally, we would like to take this opportunity to remind all Notre Dame parents and carers of how to stay connected with us. For whole school broadcasts, including this newsletter, download the Parent App onto your smart phone and allow push notifications. To keep up to date with your child's performance in school and to liaise with a teacher regarding your child, please use our Class Charts App and to keep up to date with life and learning at Notre Dame, follow us on Twitter @NDEvertonValley. All other information can be found on our college-website.

Wishing every Notre Dame family a peaceful weekend.

Mr Duffy



TES AWARD - SHORTLIST!

Flourish at Notre Dame Catholic College has been shortlisted for one of the most prestigious national awards in the Education sector.

TES (formerly the Times Education Supplement) Awards have shortlisted the Flourish Team at Notre Dame Catholic College for the SEND Provision in a Mainstream Setting of the Year.



Flourish at Notre Dame Catholic College is the **ONLY** Enhanced Resource Based Provision offered within a mainstream setting in the city. Enhanced Provision, is providing specialist Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND) education within a mainstream setting for students who have an Educational and Health Care Plan (EHCP) in place.

It essentially bridges the gap for students who may fall through the gaps of not being fully ready to enter a mainstream school setting independently but are also not meeting the criteria to enter a specialist school.

We were delighted to learn the Flourish programme had been shortlisted for one of the most prestigious awards in the education sector.

Mr McVerry, Assistant Head Teacher and SENCO Lead at Notre Dame Catholic College, will be representing the college at the awards alongside members of our Flourish Team.

He said: "We are delighted to have received this recognition for the work we do through Flourish. Students within our Flourish programme are taught to the same Key Stage 3 curriculum as all our students scaffolded to support their needs within their own specialist classroom environment, surrounded by highly trained specialist staff. They have access to a sensory room, opportunities to have specialist teaching in subjects such as Music, Science, P.E and use the local area to build upon core life skills such as going on shopping trips to the local area of Great Homer Street."

The TES Awards ceremony will take place on <u>Friday 17th June</u> at the Grosvenor House Hotel in London where the winners of the SEND Provision in a Mainstream Setting of the Year will be announced.

WISH US LUCK!

Read more about the Flourish Team Shortlisting here.

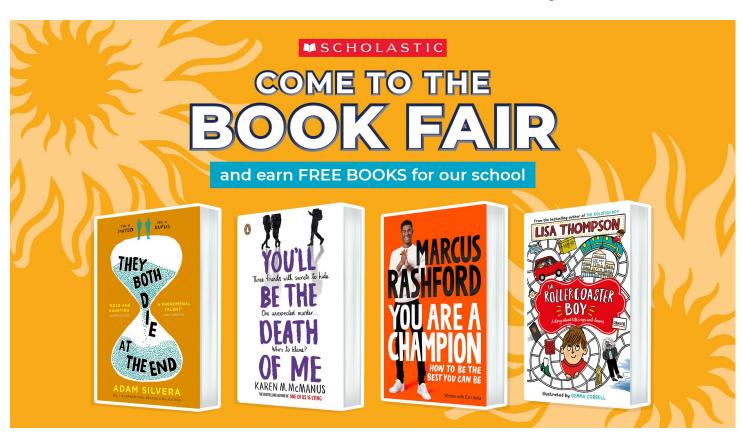
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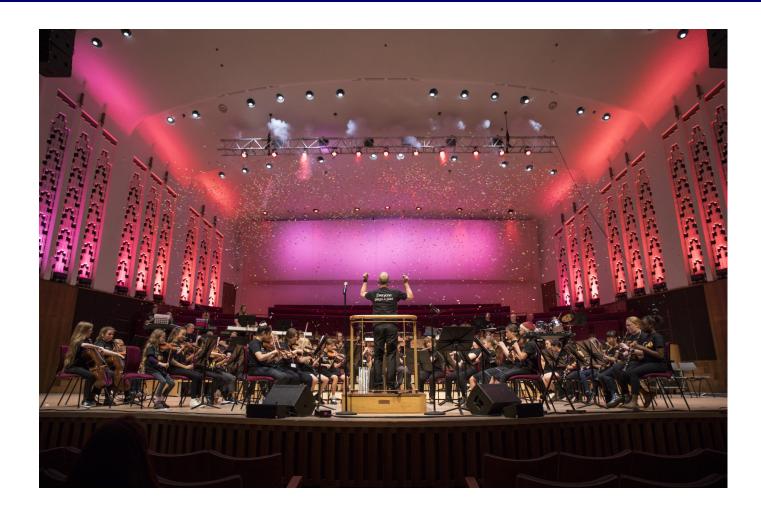
We're delighted to welcome Miss Dennis, our new librarian to our Notre Dame family. Miss Dennis has hit the ground running, already organising her first Book Fair event which will take place at the beginning of July.

Miss Dennis will be posting updates through the <u>@NDCCReads</u> Twitter account! Why not giver her a follow alongside our official Twitter page <u>@NDEvertonValley</u>.

SAVE THE DATE: 6th—13th July



RESONATE IPLAY EVENT



Resonate ensembles from across the city including Mersey Brass and the Resonate Youth Philharmonic Orchestra will be performing at the Liverpool Philharmonic Hall on

Friday the 24th June 7.00pm start.

Tickets available from the Liverpool Philharmonic Box office. www.liverpoolphil.com

Notre Dame Catholic College is the home to Resonate, which is Liverpool's Music Education Hub and operates as a gateway for Liverpool's young musicians, meaning over 13,000 pupils in Liverpool have regular access to outstanding music opportunities.

Resonate is funded by Arts Council England to support schools in delivering high quality music lessons and to enable every child in Liverpool to access learning a musical instrument, in 2018/19 Resonate worked with almost every school in the city and a total of 17,653 young people.

SUPPORT WORKSHOPS

There are a number of workshops during the month of June, offering support and information for parents across the city, all to be held online every Tuesday and Thursday evening between 6.00pm and 8.00pm.

Please see the information below:

21/06/22 - IDVA service - Understanding Domestic Abuse - BOOK HERE

23/06/22 - We Are With You - Drug and Alcohol Awareness - BOOK HERE

28/06/22 - Vauxhall Law Centre - Renting - Know your rights - BOOK HERE

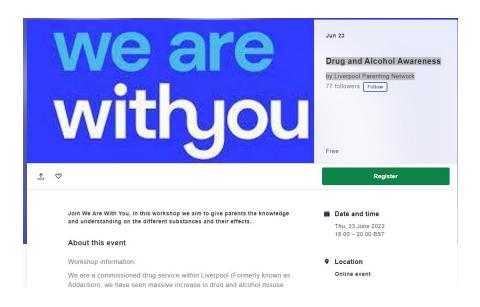
Drug and Alcohol Awareness by Liverpool Parenting Network.

Online parenting course taking place on 23rd June, 6-8pm.

Liverpool Parenting Network are completing a session for parents around substances, their effects and how to support young people who are using them.

Full details of this event can be found here:

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/drug-and-alcohol-awareness-tickets-301468629787



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 F Brennan – Senior Assistant Headteacher

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads

Mrs J <u>Littleboy</u> – 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



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

Liverpool CAMHS



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