

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



HEADTEACHERS MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Carers,



Sixth Form Open Evening Thursday 20th October

Firstly, we would like to invite all students and parents of Years 10 and 11 to attend our Sixth Form Open Evening, Thursday, 20th October. Doors will open at 6pm and there will be a presentation from the Headteacher and Head of Sixth Form at 6.30pm. Parents and students will be able to visit stalls for each of the courses offered at our Sixth Form College, meet the teachers and find out about the content and entry requirements of each course. **We look forward to seeing you there.**

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MR DUFFY
HEADTEACHER

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Sporting Success



We would like to congratulate our Year 10 football teams for their success in this week's Liverpool Sports Partnership tournament. Both teams met each other in the quarter finals, with our 'A Team' then going on to win the whole tournament. They managed to do so without conceding a single goal! Well done to Mr Mulgrew and the boys! See more details of our student's success from Mr Mulgrew on page 3.

Year 7 Dedication Service – Thursday 13th October



Finally, this is our final reminder to Year 7 parents who are invited to join us in person for our Year 7 Dedication Service, which will be hosted by our College Chaplain, Miss Wall, our Head of Year 7, Miss Wishart and the Year 7 Pastoral Team. The service celebrates your child's induction into the Notre Dame family and will begin at 2.15pm next Thursday (13th October). After the service, parents will also have an opportunity to meet your child's form tutor and find out how your child has settled in to life and learning here at Notre Dame. **We look forward to seeing you there.**

**WE WISH EVERY NOTRE DAME FAMILY
A PEACEFUL AND SAFE WEEKEND.**

Mr Duffy

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Nasen Awards Shortlisting

We're delighted to share that we have been shortlisted for Secondary Provision 2022 at the Nasen Awards. Nasen are the leading organisation promoting the advancement of all individuals with SEND. Winners will be announced next Friday on 14th October 2022 in London. **Wish us luck!**



OPENING DOORS



An A Performance from our A Football Team!*

On Wednesday, two sets of our u15 students took part in a 7aside Liverpool Schools Sports Partnership.

Our A team performed fantastically, winning the tournament against Broadgreen Academy in the final. Another point to celebrate, is the fact that the A team did not concede a goal the whole tournament.

We were also delighted with the performance from the college's B team, who celebrated progression to the knock out stages of the competition - only to lose in a respectfully competitive game with our A team!

The final against Broadgreen Academy came down to the wire, after a cagey 0-0 with dreaded penalties, however, it was our A team goalkeeper, **Anthony H** who was the hero of the hour with two fine saves.

Notre Dame competed with many schools across the city, with the likes of Kings Leadership Academy, Gateacre and St Hildas all taking part with more than one team. All our students who took part did themselves and the school community proud displaying our colleges four core values throughout.

Well done all!



Punctuality Reminder

Good punctuality is a key expectation of the school and sets students up for a positive day and encourages good behaviour for learning. Your support in ensuring students arrive to school in a timely manner is much appreciated and therefore, can we politely remind that students should be in the school building for 8.40am and in their form class by 8.45am.

We offer a breakfast club for all students from 8am – 8.40am in the Lower Canteen with a selection of free cereals and bagels on offer.



See our Behaviour Policy Reminder on punctuality below:

Notre Dame Catholic College Behaviour Policy Reminder

Punctuality - Why is it Important?

For students to be successful it is vital that they maximise their learning time. This means being on time to school and every lesson. Good punctuality provides the following benefits:

1. It shows your integrity and **Courtesy**
2. You will be seen as dependable
3. It will build your self-confidence
4. It sharpens your discipline
5. Route to Success



To support students and help them maintain good punctuality we reward them with Class Charts points when they get it right and we have the following detention system:

Staged Approach	Who will the detention be with?	Length of detention
Stage 1 – Form teacher Detention	10 for late to school and 5-minute detention for every late to lesson, with form tutors , the same day.	10 mins for late to school 5 mins for every late to lesson (Maximum of 35 minutes if also late to school and all 5 lessons).
Stage 2 –Detention	Failure to attend stage 1 detention will result in an upscaled Stage Two detention the following night.	1 hour



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OPENING HEARTS

The Value of Community

Our students have focussed this week on the importance and value of a strong community. We welcomed the group Community Spirit into college who held workshops with each year group to talk about different faiths and cultures and how they contribute to our community.



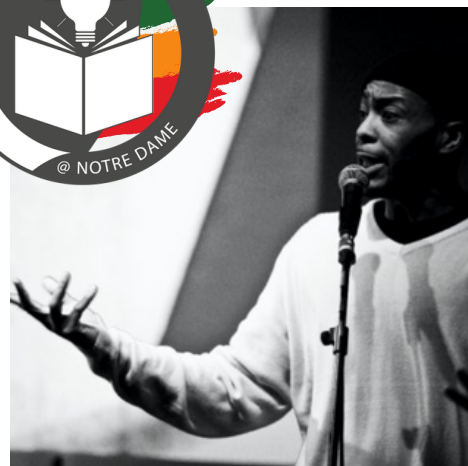
Our Year 7 students also enjoyed sessions with our school Chaplain, Miss Wall, during their R.E sessions this week where they talked about what being part of a community means and welcoming them to our Notre Dame community, which will officially be celebrated next week at their Dedication Service. Students took part in fun activities including a game of 'Heads and Tails' and working as part of a team to present what a community means to them!

NOTRE DAME READING CORNER

Black History Month

As part of our Libraries Black History Month focus, we're delighted to be welcoming poet and inspirational speaker, Kenny Baraka into the college on Wednesday 12th October.

We will be running 4 workshops throughout the morning for students from year 7, 8 and 9. During lesson 5 all students who took part in a workshop will be invited to a final assembly.



A message for Parents/Carers from The ASD Training Team at Liverpool City Council:



The ASD Training Team



Liverpool
City Council

The Liverpool ASD Training Team are providing a series of **Virtual Group Drop in** advisory sessions via zoom.

They are for parents/carers who have any questions or concerns about their child, in regard to pre and post Autism diagnosis. It is also an opportunity to speak with an ASD trainer and other parents.

The sessions will be 2 hours long, you can choose to join anytime within those two hours or stay for the duration. You do not require a diagnosis of ASD to book your place.

Dates:

Tuesday 1st November Time: 9.30 – 11.30

Wednesday 2nd November Time: 1pm – 3pm

Tuesday 8th November Time: 1pm – 3pm

Wednesday 9th November Time: 9.30 – 11.30

If you would like to book onto one of the sessions, please email: asdtrainingteam@liverpool.gov.uk



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SAFEGUARDING UPDATES

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

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

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



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

The Safeguarding Team

Headteacher – Mr P Duffy
Deputy Headteacher – Mrs AM Costello
Designated Safeguarding Lead – Mrs E Brennan

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 Safer Police Officer
Miss H McCullen – Leadership/Alternative Provision
Mrs P Shrimpton – Attendance Officer
Mrs K Sweeney – Special Educational Needs
Miss C Lee Y7, Ms R Glorman Y8, Mrs S Doran Y9, Mrs J Littleboy Y10, Mrs E Garvey Y11 – Pastoral Assistant Heads of Year

www.notredameliverpool.com/safeguarding/