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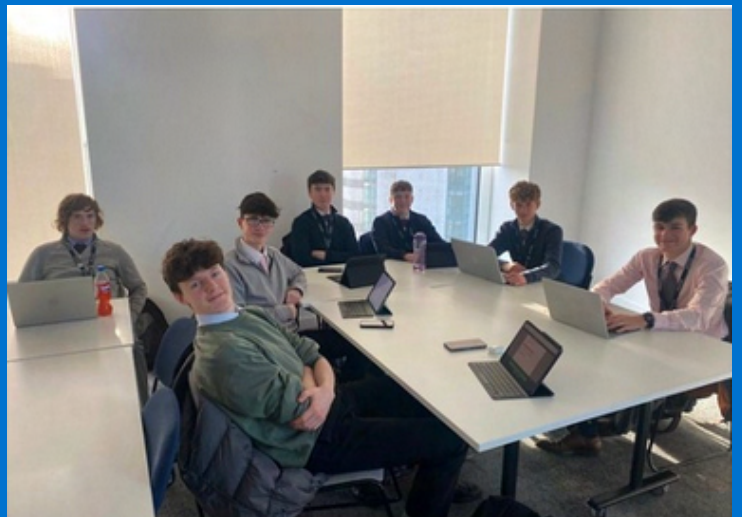
ACADEMIC OPPORTUNITIES



Students from our MedSoc group attended an Aspiring Medics Day organised by The Royal Liverpool Hospital. They had the opportunity to engage with specialists in the medical field and learn more about the experience of clinical careers. A special thank you to RLH and Sharon Morecroft for this enriching experience.

Our Year 12 EPQ students enjoyed an excellent afternoon at Liverpool John Moores University, learning about research and referencing. They learned excellent skills that will undoubtedly assist them with their EPQ and future careers.

Thank you to LJMU for their expertise and hospitality. The presenters commented on how engaged and keen our students are. High praise!



Well done to our year 13s who participated in our 2024 Mock MMI for aspiring medical applicants. A massive thank you to EKV and DW for organising the event!

MINDS

Our MINDS team aim to spread and support mental health awareness throughout the school and support the younger years with settling into life in secondary school.

Tomas Mather, prefect for the MINDS team, offered some insight into the MINDS team's recent well-being activities.

“This term the MINDS team have been busy delivering assemblies to our Year 7 and 8 students, aiming to promote the MINDS drop-in sessions that we run on a regular basis. These assemblies have helped to highlight the importance of mental well-being through offering of a supportive and welcoming safe space for students to feel comfortable discussing their emotions or talking about concerns they may have. The team are now working on planning events to come later in the year, such as a mental health fayre.”



PSG TEAM

One of our PSG prefects, Harry Tabiner, has shared details of PSG's activities over this last term.

“This term the members of the PSG have continued to visit their assigned year 7 forms and host the year 7 hub twice a week. The PSG engage in a variety of activities throughout these lunchtime sessions, and give up their free time to do so. The aim is to provide a safe space for year 7 students to get away from the busy outside space during lunch and to make new friends should they wish to do so, the PSG are there to support them with this. As part of Wednesday afternoon enrichment, the PSG also delivered a wellbeing session for year 7, which involved a variety of interactive activities.

Four members of the PSG, along with Mrs Smith, also attended a meeting at Wallasey Town Hall. They represented our school by participating in the council's discussions relating to Children in care.

The PSG are looking to start their recruitment initiative for the next round of PSG members and will do so in the coming weeks.”



CHARITY + FUNDRAISING

Thank you and well done to our year 12 students who raised over £350 for OddBalls with their Fun Run.



Well done to members of the Senior Prefect Team and our Team Mascot (Buddy the Dog), who embarked on our sponsored walk to the peak of Moel Famau in aid of the OddBalls foundation. Up to now we have raised a staggering £729 through this event, and we would all like to thank everyone who has helped/donated.

ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES



December saw the culmination of 12 weeks of hard work by our Bar Mock Trial Team as they took on Wilmslow, West Kirby and Great Sankey at the Liverpool Heats. In the event organised by Young Citizens UK, students defended twice and prosecuted once and won the verdict in every trial! We are very proud of every student involved for their dedication, professionalism and commitment! Here's to next year!

Another cohort successfully completed their Wednesday afternoon Enrichment placements at Wirral Hospice.

Thank you to all St John's colleagues for their support and enthusiasm for this collaboration and well done to all students for their excellent participation. A final thank you to KSB and Phil for facilitating this project.



PROGRESSION



Amazing work from our Y13 aspiring degree apprentices in a mock assessment centre activity delivered by Joanna from All About Futures. Students engaged in typical tasks such as an in tray exercise and a group presentation. Joanna shared useful information regarding recruiter expectations and valuable hints and tips relating to this stage of an apprenticeship application. We hope our students found this a beneficial exercise, and we wish them luck in securing their dream apprenticeship posts.

13LW were the last form to enjoy their cookery session, delivered as part of our post-18 transition programme. Thank you to KJE for facilitating!



ANTI-BULLYING

Tomas also provided an outlook into the on goings of our anti-bullying team.

“In addition to the work of our MINDS and PSG teams, this term has also seen the formation of our own Anti-bullying and Diversity committee, with its members being carefully chosen through a student led selection event and interview process. This committee will focus on raising awareness about bullying in a new light, as well as celebrating diversity. They now plan to start reforming the school’s anti-bullying policy as well as creating leaflets for upcoming open evenings. As we look into the future, the MINDS and PSG teams will work closely with the committee to ensure that every student feels valued and empowered to speak up against bullying and discrimination.”



MUSIC + DRAMA

Year 12 Music

'IDENTITY'

An evening of Live Music

Weds, 12th March @ 6pm

Futureyard
Birkenhead

Tickets £6 from the music dept

Our A-Level music students will be performing across these venues over the next few months.

Make sure to view the performances and well done to the lads!



MONDAY 28 APRIL - 7:00 PM

**GLADSTONE THEATRE
PORT SUNLIGHT**

MORE INFO

Tickets: £9/£7

Available from the Music Office



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CAREERS

Harry Gillies, our careers prefect, has provided some insight into the department's latest ventures

“Careers have continued our fantastic work into the new year with the continuation of our Hands on Careers club, this half term being based around journalism. Providing students the opportunity to learn about working as a journalist and to have a go at journalistic reporting across several sessions. This was led by our Yr12 Careers prefect George. We have also had the chance to welcome Justin Madders MP, to come talk to students about careers in politics and his own career path.

In the Careers ambassador team itself, we have made great progress on our Growth Sector project, with Careers ambassadors from Yr8 and 9 giving talks on their individual sectors to year 7 forms. Students have also had the opportunity to speak to the Holiday Inn about the visitor economy.

The KS4 debate club has also continued into the new year, working with Glenn from the Royal Institute for Philosophy. They aim to engage in unique discussions and debates about philosophy and the world around us.”



We hope you enjoyed reading this bulletin
and we look forward to sharing details of
future events.



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