

## Important Notices and Upcoming Events

### Attendance

Late Detentions on Friday's after School. A reminder to all parents that these are for lateness to school registration and lessons:-

- Student late twice in one week 40 minutes
- Three lates in one week - 1 hour
- Four lates in one week – 1 hour and 20 mins
- Five lates or more in one week – 1 hour and 40 mins
- Gentle reminder please report your child's absence on a daily basis.

### How to Report Student Absence

Please remember that ANY **student absence** needs to be reported on a **daily basis** by

- ⇒ telephoning 020 8695 2100 - Option 1 or extension 105
- ⇒ emailing [attendance@bp.lewisham.sch.uk](mailto:attendance@bp.lewisham.sch.uk) or [cordreys@bp.lewisham.sch.uk](mailto:cordreys@bp.lewisham.sch.uk)
- ⇒ Or text (by replying to a text we have sent you previously)

Please ensure that you speak clearly, leave the student's name, form and the reason the student will be absent. You must also remember to send a letter with the student on their first day back explaining the absence for the records.

### 2016/2017 Term Dates

#### Summer Term 2017

Tuesday 18th April  
to Wednesday 19 July  
(Half Term is from 29th May to 2nd June)

### 2017/2018 Term Dates

#### Autumn Term 2017

Monday 4 September to Friday 20 October  
(Half Term is from 23 to 27 October)  
Monday 30 October to Wednesday 20 December  
(Christmas Holiday is from  
Thursday 21st December to Monday 1st January)

#### Spring Term 2018

Tuesday 2nd January - Friday 9th February  
(Half Term is from Monday 12th February to  
Friday 16th February)  
Monday 19th February - Thursday 29th March  
(Easter Holidays is from Friday 30th March to  
Friday 13th April)

#### Summer Term 2018

Monday 16th April - Friday 25th May  
(Half Term is from Monday 28th May to  
Friday 1st June)  
Monday 4th June - Friday 20th July

### Upcoming Events:

#### July 2017

10th - 19th July - Year 10 Work Experience  
19th July - Last Day of Term  
12.35pm finish

#### September 2017

4th September - INSET DAY



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## Head of School's News

Please note that we finish the academic year next week on  
Wednesday 19th July at 12.35pm

### End of term

As the 2016-17 academic year draws to a close we reflect on all of the amazing and exciting events that have taken place throughout the year. It has been a joy to see the enriching activities that our students have been involved in. There have been a huge number of trips which have included fantastic locations all of the world and many opportunities to showcase the talents and hard work of all students in the school.

We would like to say thank you to all of the parents who have supported at all of the Music, Drama, House and Sports events. Your support is always appreciated and helps to bring a vibrant and positive atmosphere to all occasions.

We wish our Year 11 students all the very best with their GCSE results on the 24<sup>th</sup> August which can be collected from 10am to noon on that day.

### THE NEW ACADEMIC YEAR IN SEPTEMBER 2017

Monday 4th September – Staff only  
Tuesday 5th September - Year 7 and 11 ONLY 8.20am  
(The day will finish at 12.30)  
Wednesday 6th September - All students normal day  
Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> September - All students normal day  
Friday 8th September – All students normal day

### Start of term organisation

A reminder to all students that upon their return to school in September, they are expected to have the following basic equipment with them in every lesson: 3 black pens – biros not felt tip, a pencil, ruler, rubber, your exercise book, your planner and pencil case. Eating, chewing and drinking, other than water, are not allowed in lessons. Each department will expect you to always record your homework in your planner and complete it to the best of your ability and by the deadline set.

I would like to wish everyone a lovely, peaceful and safe summer holiday.

Keep safe and God Bless

Mr Ronan Head of School

**Attendance & Punctuality**

**Attendance**

Please see inside the back page for information on how to report your child absent.

**Punctuality**



Tutor Groups with highest attendance	%	Year Group Attendance	%
7MR	99.29%	7	97.93% ★
8CD	97.78%	8	96.54%
9EM	99.23%	9	97.72%
10PJB	98.80%	10	97.81%
Year 11	Study leave	11	Study leave
Overall school attendance for this week			97.96%
<b>ATTENDANCE MATTERS</b>			
Last Week's attendance			97.97%

Year 7 Tutor Groups	Lates	Year 8 Tutor Groups	Lates	Year 9 Tutor Groups	Lates	Year 10 Tutor Groups	Lates	Year 11 Tutor Groups	Lates
7CC	11	8CB	6	9AD	19	10CBR	9	11CH	
7DM	12	8CD	12	9CE	11	10GL	3	11EP	
7JJ	8	8LM	7	9CM	16	10JS	4	11EPR	
7MMA	8	8SC ★	2	9DA	8	10PJB	8	11EW	
7MR	9	8TB	12	9EM	17	10SD	9	11JY	
7SY	15	8VC	16	9MA	11	10SS	3	11PJ	
<b>Total</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>Total</b> ★	<b>36</b>	<b>Total</b>	
<b>Total Number of Student Lates: 236 (Last Week's Total: 165)</b>									

**Attendance Awards**

**Achieved 100% Attendance:**

**Best Attendance overall: Year 7**

**Punctuality Awards**

**Achieved 0 Lates: ~**

**Best Punctuality overall: Year 10**



The Year group that gets the most "Best Overall Attendance" and "Best Punctuality awards" over this term will get 5 house points for every student.

**NB:** Lateness to school twice in one week will account for an after school detention on the Friday of that week—see back page for more information.

Failure to attend a Friday Detention may result in a Saturday Detention being given.

**Faith Matters continued...**

**Southwark Diocese Youth Ministry Residential Retreat Opportunities 2017-2018**



We have limited dates available for Residential Retreats at St Vincent's, Whitstable, next academic year. Bookings are open for schools and parishes for young people aged 11-18 with our in-house team providing the retreat programme. Please contact Jean for more details on 01227 272900 or email [jean@scys.org.uk](mailto:jean@scys.org.uk)

**Thank you!**

As this academic year draws to a close we would like to thank all the parish and school catechists, staff, parents and leaders who brought groups to St Vincent's and Aylesford Priory. We've had a wonderful year with so many extraordinary young people. Our gap-year peer ministry team are also moving on too; Ben, Dani, Martha, Freya and Bethan are all off to pastures new. We give thanks for their service and ministry this year. Please join us in praying for their happiness and fulfilment in the future.

We pray for all those young people moving on to new challenges and opportunities in the coming months.

Wishing you a restful and happy Summer Holiday!

**Lost Property**

There is an amazing amount of coats, jumpers and other items of uniform including sports kits, as well as pencil cases which have no identification on them in Churchdown and Winlaton.

There will be a table in the reception area with lost property from Monday 17<sup>th</sup> July until Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July. If these items are not claimed Wednesday they will be sent to charity.



**Please label your child's items,** and if anything is lost encourage your child to claim his/her property by Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July.

Thank you.  
**Administration Team**

Faith Matters continued...

Have a safe and enjoyable holiday



The Pope starts off his holidays with a packed schedule

It's summer in Rome and the Pope also takes time off to go on holiday...in his own way. His vacation is, in fact, just a more relaxed period of public activity. The Pope is still working from Casa Santa Marta.

His schedule has not changed. He still wakes up at five in the morning. However, Pope Francis will use these weeks to focus more on reading, prayer, and study. He will probably also prepare several speeches for his next trips.

Wednesday general audiences will not be celebrated throughout the month of July. However, Pope Francis will say the Angelus prayer from his window in the Apostolic Palace.

He will receive visits and groups in the Vatican but his schedule will not be as intense as it is the rest of the year.

However, this month of July will be different from other years. From the 27th to the 31st, Pope Francis will travel to Poland for the World Youth Day closing ceremonies. It will be an important trip during which he will also visit the concentration camp in Auschwitz-Birkenau and the Sanctuary of the Divine Mercy.

August will start off with another trip for the Pope, although this time it will last only one day and he will not leave Italy. Pope Francis will visit Assisi to commemorate the 800th anniversary of the Pardon of Assisi. Pilgrims that visit a Franciscan church or any of the parishes of Assisi in the first two days of August have the possibility of obtaining plenary indulgence.

The Wednesday general audiences will be resumed in the month of August, but they will be celebrated in the Paul VI Audience Hall, to avoid the intense summer heat.

In September, the Pope will celebrate daily mass with pilgrims in Casa Santa Marta and he will return to his daily routine.

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Whether you are travelling abroad, or travelling in the UK or simply staying at home and enjoying a rest, be safe and have a wonderful summer.

Faith Matters

Saint of the week: St. Vincent de Paul. 19th July.

Born: 24 April 1581

Died: 27 September 1660

Founded the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, following the Gospel values and teachings of Jesus in the Parable of the Sheep and Goats.

The aim of the SVP is to tackle poverty in all its forms through the provision of practical assistance to those in need.

The concept of need is broader than financial hardship, so visiting people who are sick, lonely, in prison, or suffering from addiction is also a significant proportion of our work. The essence of our work is person-to-person contact and spending time with people is their greatest gift.

Every Catholic Parish has an SVP group working to help those in need.

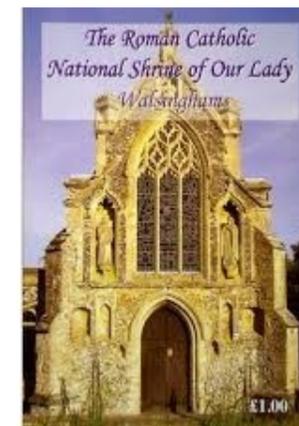
Their 10,000 volunteer members, motivated by their faith, are committed to meaningful and long term befriending. Inspired by the message of the Gospels they seek and find those in need and offer them sincere friendship. They visit them in their homes, in hospital and in care homes on a regular basis and offer additional practical support such as food, furniture or financial help where needed. They also organise trips and events for older and isolated people.

They offer friendship and practical help to all and visit, without regard to faith, ethnicity, status or sexual orientation. Our core friendship service is complemented by additional areas of activity – community support projects (including community shops, furniture stores and advice centres), youth work, holiday provision and overseas aid.

What will you do?

If you are looking for some worthy cause and volunteer work, contact your parish group and offer your help.

What do all these churches have in common??



These churches are in holiday destinations throughout the world, but what is important is that they all celebrate Mass in the same way and in the order in which we celebrate Mass in the UK.

This means that wherever you take a holiday, whether Mass is celebrated in Dutch, French, Swedish, Spanish or Arabic, you will still be able to understand at what point you are in the celebration.

Local parishioners will always welcome you into the congregation and make you feel at home. So be adventurous and find a local Catholic parish, and make your faith matter home and away.