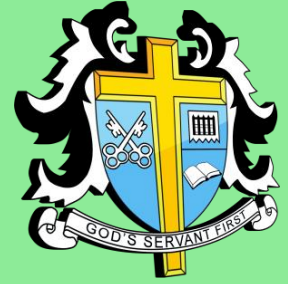




CONTACT

No. 1394 – Friday 23rd June 2017



Dear Parents and Pupils,

Early Closure and INSET Day - A reminder that the school will close at 1:35pm on Thursday 6th July in preparation for the Open Evening. The school will also be closed to students on Friday 7th July for a staff INSET Day.

Early Closure on St Thomas More Day – 14th July – This week, parents should have received a letter via email informing them of the arrangements for St Thomas More Day which this year we will celebrate on Friday 14th July. Our Commissioning Assembly for our new student leaders will take place in the morning, followed by house activities and mini-sports (PE kits will be needed if your son/daughter is taking part in the mini-sports). **Our solemn Mass is to begin at 12:30pm and will finish at approximately 1:35pm, after this time, the students will be dismissed for an early finish.** If your son/daughter uses one of the contract buses to go home, they will receive a separate letter closer to the time with a reply slip for you to sign and return stating how they will get home on that day.

We hope for very warm and sunny weather, in which case could you please ensure your son/daughter has a hat and sun cream.

Our students, as always, are ambassadors for the school and we therefore expect the highest standards of behaviour. Should, however, behaviour in school at any time on this day give us cause for concern, we reserve the right to withdraw them from activities.

Weekly prayer

Lord God,

you gave us your Body and Blood to strengthen us.

*May I always treat the Eucharist with the love and respect it deserves,
and may I always be grateful for everything you have done for me.*

Amen

School Nurse Drop-In Session - The next school nurse drop in session is to be held on the 29th June during lunch time. Please see Miss Worby for more details.

Recruiting Geography Ambassadors now!



Becoming a Geography Ambassador is a great way to represent the school and department. Not only does it look great on your CV and job/college application forms, it will let you support the Geography department and make it even better! All Year 9 and 10 Geography students are eligible to apply.



To apply, write a short letter (a paragraph), addressed to Miss Main, explaining why this role would be suitable for you and what you can bring to the role. You may even want to suggest how you can help us to improve the department. The deadline for applications is Friday 30th June. On this date, the Geography department teachers will read all letters of application and select the successful students. You will be informed early the following week and will be given your very own 'Geography Ambassador' badge!

What qualities do I need to be a Geography Ambassador?

If you are enthusiastic about Geography, then this role is for you, especially if you are considering studying the subject beyond GCSE!

Other qualities we will look for are:

- Organised
- Approachable
- Adaptable
- Good at working in teams

What will I be doing as a Geography Ambassador?

There will be a range of responsibilities that you will have as an Ambassador, including:

- Updating the 'Geography in the News' noticeboard
- Representing the Geography Department at Open Evenings and other events
- Assisting teachers with jobs that may need doing around the department
- Assisting students in younger years with their classwork and Extended Learning
- Promoting Geography around the school



Spanish Club - All KS3 pupils welcome!

Wednesday 13.40-14.05 Spanish Club Mrs Terry and Mrs Foster

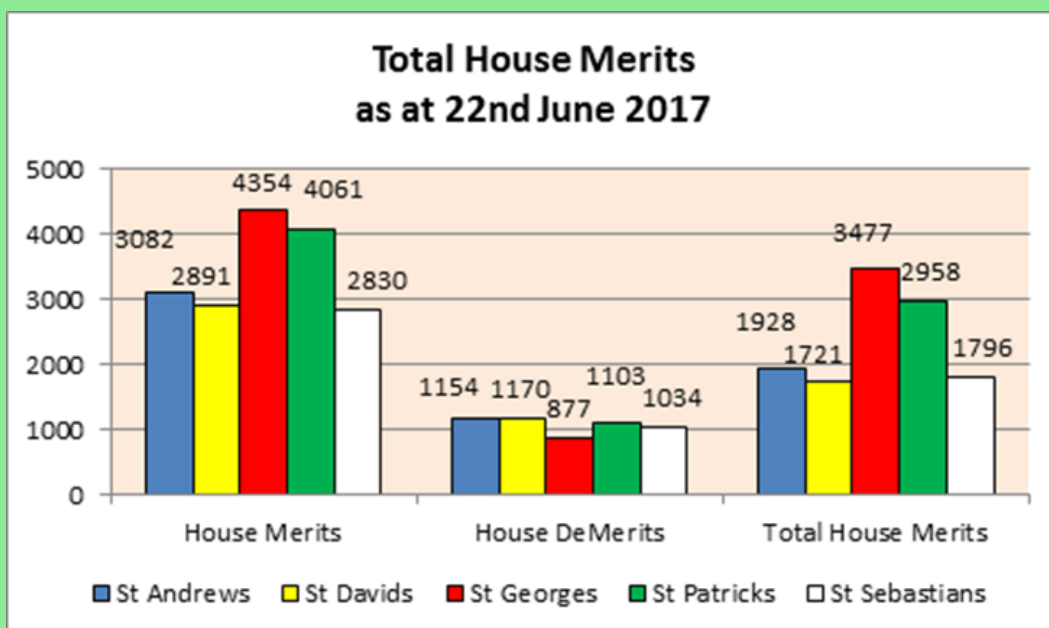
Videos/songs/films plus help with Speaking and Writing.

¡Hasta luego! Also, would you like to practise your Spanish in a friendly and relaxed way? Come & join Señora Terry and Mari-Carmen in MFL2 first half of lunch on Wednesday.

Cleaner Vacancy – We have a vacancy for an afternoon cleaner to work Monday to Friday 3.30pm – 6.00pm 12 ½ hours per week, the rate of pay is £7.50 per hour. Please see the schools website for further details or contact the school.



House News!



SPORTS NEWS AND FIXTURES

DATE	FIXTURE	TIME
26/06/2017	Year 7 Cricket v Shoebury (HOME) 4pm Year 8 cricket v Southend (AWAY) 4pm	4:00pm 4:00pm
27/06/2017	Year 9 cricket v Cecil Jones (GARONS) 4pm	4:00pm
28/06/2017	Year 8 Cricket v Thorpe Hall (HOME) 4pm	4:00pm
29/06/2017	Year 8 Cricket v Shoebury (HOME)	
30/06/2017	Year 7 House Cricket (Sports Hall)	Pds 1-4

EXTRA-CURRICULAR SPORTS TIMETABLE

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8am-8:30am	BTEC Booster Session TR6 (EK)	Athletics: Throwing events Track - Sprints Jumping events	Year 13 A level revision	Athletics: Track - Middle Distance	Athletics: Hurdles
Lunch: 12:45-1:20pm	Indoor cricket – all years		Btec catchup – TR6		GCSE PE Revision – TR6
After-school:	Year 7 Cricket Nets (Sports Hall) 3.30-5.00pm Athletics – Track & Field Years 9 & 10	GCSE PE Revision TR6 3.30-4.45pm	Athletics – Track & Field Years 7 & 8	Years 8 & 9 Cricket Nets (Sports Hall) 3.30-5.00pm	Badminton club

Please note – After-school clubs are subject to change depending on fixtures and staff meetings. The Sports Hall will be out of use from 15th May due to Public Exams