



## Easter message from Mr Doyle



A very warm welcome to the Easter holidays from all of us at All Hallows. After the snow a few weeks ago, we are excited to put the hats away and greet the arrival of some warmth, blossom and general outdoor-iness!

We are delighted with our Lenten appeal, which (at the time of typing) has raised over £7k in just over 5 weeks, with more yet to come. Year 7 have stormed it with over £2,000! Congratulations to them, the tutor team and Mrs Fox on such a sum, and thank you to everyone who has put their hands in their pocket to support our charities.

Our highlights this term come from a wide range of areas of school life. Firstly, our Year 11 and Year 13 examinees have made a terrific effort this term. They have worked so consistently and so positively, especially during the cold weather, that

they deserve an extra mini-egg; maybe 2! We hope that they will capitalise on what they have already achieved and really give it a good last burst until their exams finish. Will Year 11 hit 100% exam attendance this year again..?

On another note, our Year 9 footballers had another great run in the national tournament, getting as far as the quarter final stage this year. Well done to the boys and Mr Marker. We are also fortunate to have had a real boost to our chaplaincy, with our new Gathering in Faith Together (GIFT) team. These volunteer students were commissioned in January by Bishop Philip Egan to help us grow in our faith, as a community, to have an active role in the Catholic life of the school and have spoken at assemblies, staff meetings and governor meetings. They have also had a big impact on refreshing our liturgies.

Have a happy and holy Easter.



## Message from the Chair of Governors

As the term draws to a close, the Governors would like to take this opportunity to send a short Easter message to our All Hallows community of parents, pupils, staff and the Diocese.

It is our intention that, over the coming months, the Governors will become a more visible presence around the school and at the many functions that take place during the year.

As Governors, our role is to ensure that we have in place a clear vision and strategy, as well as accountability for our educational and financial performance.

We are also struck by the words of Pope Francis, as we go about fulfilling this role:

"If our schools are not a space where another humanity is being created, where another wisdom is taking root, where another society is being created, where hope and transcendence have a place, then we are losing out on making a unique contribution to this historical moment."

We would like to wish all of you a very happy and peaceful time over the Easter period.

On behalf of All Hallows School Governors  
Guy Stephens

## Taster Day sees all Year 11 students enjoying life in the Sixth Form

### Year 11 Taster Day

Year 11 students had a taste of what life would be like in September when they joined us for a day last month. They tried out A level subjects, enjoyed the small class sizes and the excellent teaching together with enjoying the facilities in the Sixth Form building. Special thank you to the Year 12 and 13 students who spent the day helping our Year 11 in lessons.



### The Sixth Form Lenten Challenge

The £10 pound challenge was given to all tutor groups in the Sixth Form and a range of activities have happened during the last 5 weeks. To date over £1200 has been raised and more money is still coming in. Well done all.



Thank you to all students who supported our Charity events, especially the Lip Syn, which raised £612.00 on the day!!

Wishing **Miss Redmond (soon to be Mrs Brennan)** all the very best for Saturday 7th April when she gets married in Ireland. We look forward to hearing all about the big day!



## Thank you to all our Senior Students for working so hard this year

Hannah and Zac will be stepping down from their position as Head Girl and Head Boy as they concentrate on their A Level studies. They have been fantastic



### Election of Senior Students will take place after Easter.

Application letters are in and students will be interviewed by Mrs Fanshawe and Mr Carney.

Thank you to all applicants, the standard of applicants is high and we are looking forward to listening to how these group of students will make **OUR** Sixth Form even better.



Well done to Toby and Mia, Chairs of the School Council for a very successful Lenten Appeal— final figures are not in yet but a new record for the school!!







## Scenes from The Spring Concerts

The Music Department have had another busy and productive term, with three very different concerts taking place.

Just before the February half term we had our Chamber Concert for Soloists, featuring performances from each year group it was fantastic to see how much progress the students have been making within their private instrumental lessons.

Secondly our end of term Spring Concert was met with a packed Auditorium and featured over 150 performers. With a wide variety of instrumental and vocal groups on show it was a fantastic evening. We also said thank you and goodbye to some of our Year 11's as well as the five Year 13's who have shown so much

commitment over their time at All Hallows. Having taken part in over 50 concerts during their time at All Hallows, we wish them the very best as they move onto University.

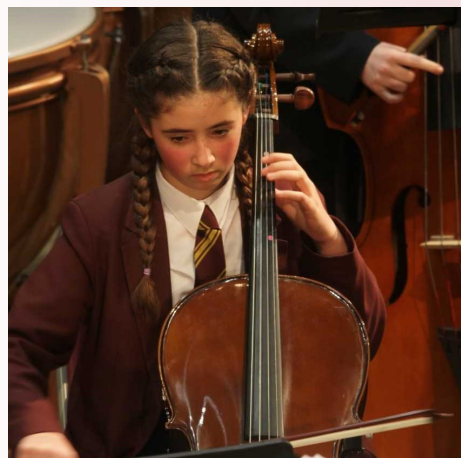
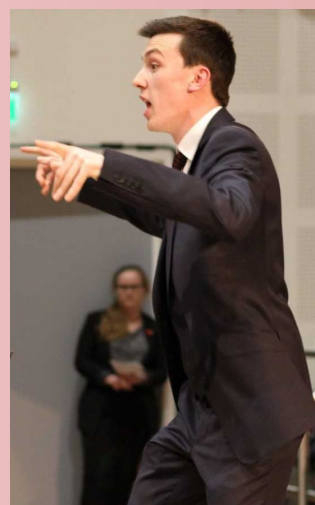


Finally, last week we started a new partnership with Ash Manor School. We hosted a joint concert of contemporary music which featured performances

from Show Choir, Pop and Funk and Rock Band. The concert was a great success, and both schools sounded incredible, especially when they came together at the end for a joint performance of Fleetwood Mac's 'The Chain'. We look forward to building on this in the future with them.

A huge thank you, not only to the students, but Miss Myatt, Mr Blake and Mr Arthan and all the peripatetic staff who help to make these events possible.

**By Mr Fisher, Head of Music**



## Year 11 Reflection Day to St Joseph's Catholic Church Guildford

In January and February, Year 11 students went on a Reflection Day at St. Joseph's Church in Guildford. We felt very privileged to be invited to celebrate Mass when we arrived, with many of the St. Joseph's congregation present. The theme of the day was 'Vocation' and Mrs Houghton-Neave devised some fantastic team building activities, bringing out the competitive spirit in many of us, as well as a lot of fun and laughter!

It was very interesting to listen to the Year 11 Tutors and other members of staff speak about their career experiences, the hurdles they overcame, as well as celebrating success through hard work and perseverance. At the end of the day we all participated in a meditation, led by Mrs Houghton-Neave. It was very relaxing; especially after all the mock exams we had sat. Some student's even fell asleep and were snoring!

The day was a perfect escape, a time to reflect before the busy GCSE exam period. We were able to take a step back from our busy schedules and to re-connect with our friends and teachers and also think about our life journey ahead of us.

**By Year 11 Students**



*Year 11 Students and Mrs Lattimore in a hula hoop "group hug!"*

## SECOND HAND UNIFORM/ PE KITS

If you would like to purchase any second-hand items, please go to the School Shop for availability.



## Year 9 Reflection Days

Just a reminder that Year 9 students will be starting their reflection days this term at St. Lucy's Convent with 9 Alban attending on Wednesday 18th April.

## Year 9 Mentors

Year 9 students are invited to apply to be mentors to our September Year 7 intake. Application forms will be available from Mr Corrigan after the Easter break.

## Year 10 Assessment Week

Year 10 students start their assessment week on Thursday 12th April. Students must please remember to bring with them every day: revision materials, journals, clear pencil case, all equipment especially calculators and coloured pencils, exam card, exam timetable. FULL SCHOOL UNIFORM AS NORMAL



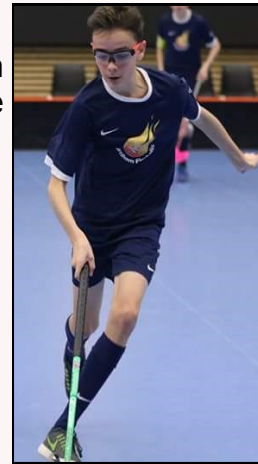


## Floorball Heroics!

**Floorball** is a type of floor hockey with five players and a goalkeeper in each team. Matches are usually played in three twenty-minute periods.

**Ben Grafham** of 10S took part in the Storveta Cup in Uppsala, Sweden during January representing Farnham Fireballs Floorball team, the *first ever* British team to take part in the world's biggest floorball hockey tournament.

For more information on Farnham Fireballs please contact [www.fufc.net](http://www.fufc.net).



## ALL HALLOWS ON TWITTER!

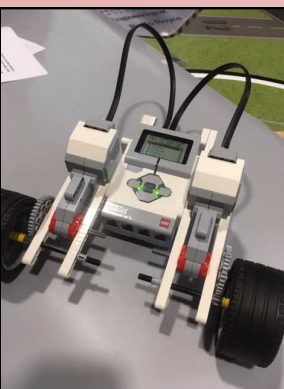
<https://twitter.com/allhallows>

In case you haven't yet seen it, please do take a look at our twitter feed - we've been very busy!!

We're trying to get past **1000** followers (currently at 994), so please 'follow' us, and ask your friends and families to do the same!

## Tomorrow's Engineers Robotics Challenge

At the start of the challenge we had no idea what we were doing, however, with the help of our teachers we got there! We learnt about building and programming our robots; we then started to build a speed robot. Mr Somerville helped us learn about gear systems and what worked best.



Before the competition, it was a bit of a mad dash but we finished in time! At the beginning of the day we won the speed challenge, this boosted our confidence for the rest of the day.

We did well during the presentation as we were able to think on our feet. At the end of the day we had some time to relax and built paper airplanes for our last challenge.

We would like to say a big thank you to our teachers Mrs Bocket and Mr Palterman for putting up with us and helping us on our robotic journey.



By Alison Moore 9S & Harriet Spreadborough 9S



## CHAPLAINCY TEAM



The celebration of Palm Sunday last weekend, the Last Supper today, the Crucifixion and Death of Jesus on Good Friday and his Resurrection on Easter Sunday make this the most important week in the Church's year. This is Holy Week, a time to remember that Christ suffered and died on the cross for our sins. Christ's death means that we are

guaranteed forgiveness of sin when we accept Jesus as Lord.

As parent and carers, please speak with your children about Holy Week and the celebration of Jesus' Resurrection on Easter Sunday. We know with great joy that the Lord rose again so let's celebrate the Good News of hope and happiness that Easter brings us!

We wish you all a happy & holy Easter!

**Free School Meals** – Information regarding eligibility for Free School Meals and an application form to download are now available on the school website.

**LOST PROPERTY:** Un-named lost property is stored in the Welfare department and disposed of at the end of every half-term. Named items will be returned to the students.

## CONGRATULATIONS TO....

Please email major achievements (include a photograph) to: [news.com@allhallows.net](mailto:news.com@allhallows.net)

Jacob Grafham, 12SS who achieved 4 County qualifying times in all four strokes and competed in these and the relays at the Surrey Age Championships at the London Aquatics Centre in February representing Farnham Swimming Club.

Matthew Grant, 9E who won a bronze medal representing All Hallows at the British Judo Championships this weekend. Matthew won five out of his six fights, only losing to the gold medallist in an earlier round.



## IMPORTANT NOTICE

### ATTENDANCE—ABSENSES DURING TERM TIME

In accordance with Local Authority guidelines All Hallows Catholic School cannot authorise holidays during term time. Please be aware that should you request a leave of absence for your child/children which is not authorised, the Educational Welfare Service may be informed and a Penalty Notice may be issued.

Attendance has a direct effect on learning and achievement and we all want the very best for your child/children.

## Dates for your Diary

### SCHOOL RESUMES FOR ALL STUDENTS

Thursday 12th April

### YEAR 10 EXAMS

Thursday 12th April—Wednesday 18th April

### 9A AWAYDAY

Wednesday 18th April

### 9C AWAYDAY

Wednesday 25th April

### 9E AWAYDAY

Wednesday 2nd May

### BANK HOLIDAY

Monday 7th May

### 9J AWAYDAY

Wednesday 9th May

### YEAR 12 STUDY LEAVE

Monday 14th May - Friday 25th May

### GCSE & GCE EXAMS

Monday 14th May -

Friday 22nd June

### 9M AWAYDAY

Wednesday 16th May

### 9P AWAYDAY

Wednesday 23rd May

### YEAR 11 FINAL DAY

Friday 25th May

### YEAR 13 FINAL DAY

Friday 25th May

### HALF TERM

Monday 28th May - Friday 1st June



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