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The Year 8 Away-days kick started again in January, held at the wonderful seminary in Womersley. Here is a reflection of the day from a student:

On 6th February 8 Edmund went on their Away-day to St. John's Seminary. It was a great day filled with fun activities. The focus of the day was Human Rights. As a special treat, one of the young seminarians came and talked to us about his journey into priesthood. We spent break on the muddy field, good thing we had a spare change of shoes! On the bus ride home, everyone was buzzing with all the fun we had!

Ella Williams – 8 Edmund



In January, our Year 11 students went on a Reflection Day to St. Pius Church in Guildford. We were very fortunate to use this wonderful space, starting the day with a liturgy in the Chapel. The theme of the day was 'Vocations' 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.

The day was a perfect escape, a time to reflect before the busy GCSE exam period. The students were able to take a step back from their busy schedules and to re-connect with their friends and teachers. **The Chaplaincy Team**

Awayday



"Have you bought your bamboo coffee cup yet?"



On a damp, chilly evening in January, three Year 10 students set out to represent All Hallows at the annual Rotary Club Youth Speaks Competition. Hannah Williams, Tom Sowden and Anthony Bedale planned and delivered an excellent set of

speeches about the terrible amount of plastic waste we are generating and what we can do about it. Hannah as Chair introduced the topic and the main speaker – Tom, who delivered his impassioned speech with confidence and vigour. He then responded well to a tricky question from the judging panel, before Anthony delivered the vote-of-thanks. Although the All Hallows team did not win the competition, the three students did incredibly well and were a up against very tough competition from several other local schools.

Thanks to Mrs O'Boyle for accompanying the students.

Rotary Club Young Writer Competition

Congratulations to Emily Bonser 8E, Alex Beal 10A, Katy Nguyen 10P, Anwen Holmes 10C, Jude Mallari 7E, Lili Cooney-Smith 10C, Ethan Baxter 10E, Ollie West 9A, Ben Higgins 10P and Daniel Cryer 10E whose entries have been shortlisted in the Rotary Club Young Writer competition.

Students were invited to write a story or poem entitled My Inspiration and All Hallows submitted over 180 entries from across the school! These students have had their work shortlisted by the Rotary committee and two winners will be selected shortly to go forward into the regional round of the competition. Good luck!



On Thursday 7th March, All Hallows will be celebrating World Book Day across the school in order to promote reading for pleasure.

Year 7 students have been invited to dress up as specific book characters and they will also be participating in the All Hallows Great Book Exchange. Year 8 students will be creating a book tree of their favourite titles and various other competitions and events will be taking place on and around the day.

All students will also be given a World Book Day voucher to put towards a new book. Please do support your son/daughter by ensuring that they always have a reading book, modelling reading at home and talking about books regularly.

*****JANUARY 2019 DRAW*****



WE ARE EXCITED TO ANNOUNCE THE JANUARY PRIZE WINNERS

1st PRIZE – £78.30 to Ms A Thomas, Purton

2nd PRIZE – £39.15 to 'Anonymous', Bracknell

3rd PRIZE – £13.05 to 'Anonymous', Aldershot

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for a Standing Order form. Entries cost £1 each. The monthly prize pot will be half the proceeds, the remainder will go towards our first project to install more outside seating for our students.

February 1st prize is currently over £90—there's still time to join!

JOIN THE ALL HALLOWS LOTTERY TODAY AND YOU COULD BE OUR NEXT WINNER!



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HAIRSPRAY—THE MUSICAL!

The wheels for this years school production 'Hairspray', are already in motion. At the end of January we held our first set of auditions; we can safely say there are definitely some 'superstars' in our midst! So a big thank you to the 200 students that turned up, hopefully by the time news.com goes to press, you will already know whether you have gained a part in the musical.

Tickets for the production will be on sale towards the end of the Summer term.

Music and Drama team



Christmas in January

At the very start of this term, a coach-load of Year 11 students travelled up to London to see A Christmas Carol at the Old Vic Theatre – and what a magical experience it was! With snow falling from the rafters, choral bell-ringing and carol singing, the show left us all with a lovely warm festive glow.

All the students thoroughly enjoyed the theatrical interpretation of their English Literature set-text, starring Stephen Tompkinson as Scrooge, even though there were a few alterations to the story. Most impressive were the free mince-pies and



tangerines during the interval, and the Christmas lunch that was transported from the balcony to the stage (two floors below) via slides made of tablecloths: potatoes, oranges, apples all tumbled to the ground; sprouts were literally parachuted in and a huge roast turkey flew down a zip-wire! A very merry Christmas Carol it was!



Love and Marriage!



Year 10 students learning about the Sacrament of Marriage, and taking part in a mock wedding and enjoying a wedding breakfast too!



'Love and marriage,
love and marriage...'



A HUGE thank you to the entire All Hallows' community for collecting over 7000 items for the Farnham Foodbank this Advent!

We smashed our target!



Invigilators Needed!



We wish to appoint Examination Invigilators on a casual basis to cover examination periods throughout the academic year invigilating both GCSE and internal examinations. You will be required to work as part of a team committed to achieving the best possible outcomes for our young people and be willing to support students through the provision, supervision and monitoring of examinations. You will be

employed on a casual basis (start and finish times to be agreed with the Examination Officer) but will need to be fully flexible during the exam period. Examination schedules will be provided prior to the exam period.

Our team works well together to help create a positive working environment to support our students during their exams. You must be reliable, punctual, be able to relate to other invigilators, staff members and students in a calm manner. Full training will be provided. DBS checks will apply.

Please contact Mrs Myers on 01252 319211 or m.myers@allhallows.net

PARKING PROBLEMS OUTSIDE SCHOOL

We have received numerous complaints from our neighbours about a minority of parents who cause major problems through careless driving or inconsiderate parking when dropping off or waiting to collect their children; in particular **Woodbourne** and **The Running Stream Public House car park**.

As a school we value the maintenance of good relationships with the local community and would ask all parents to support us. Sometimes cars obstruct driveways, park illegally close to junctions, or make it difficult for the school buses to manoeuvre safely.

Our local councillors and the neighbourhood police officers have asked us to draw attention to these problems and they will be taking action to enforce the law.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Attendance



ATTENDANCE—ABSENCES 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.

The penalty is £60 if paid within 21 days of receipt of the notice, rising to £120 if paid after 21 days but within 28 days of receipt of the notice. If the penalty is not paid by the end of the 28-day period, the Local Authority will prosecute the recipient for failing to ensure the regular school attendance of their child under section 444 Education Act 1996. Please be aware that each parent is liable to receive a Penalty Notice for each child who incurs unauthorised absences, for example, if there are two parents and two children, each parent will receive two Penalty Notices.

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

CHAPLAINCY TEAM



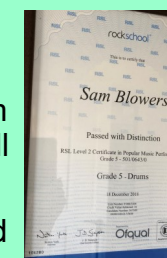
This half term has been a busy one for the Chaplaincy Team. Just before Christmas we delivered over 7000 food items to the Trussell Trust in Farnham, ensuring over 220 families had food over the festive season. The GIFT Team are currently working on a

competition in which they will pitch their plans to refurbish the Chapel area so that our school and wider community can benefit from a multi-purpose prayer space. Please keep them in your prayers. We are also now preparing for Lent, watch this space as we will soon be announcing who we will be raising money for! We wish all of our wonderful students and staff a restful half term break.

CONGRATULATIONS TO....

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

Sam Blowers, 9J who passed his Grade 5 drum exam with a Distinction just before Christmas. Well done Sam!



Caitlin Smith, 11J who came 5th out of 34 girls aged 15-21 at the recent World Champions Modern Dance Competition held in London.

Abi Stanford, 8S who competed in a recent dance competition and came 2nd in Modern Group and 1st in Ballet Group.

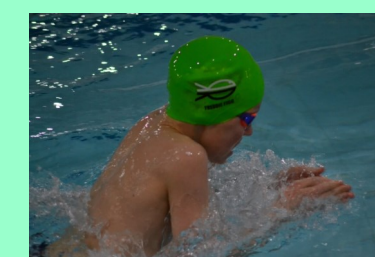
Cora Vanoli, 8S who competed in a recent dance competition and achieved outstanding results in a variety of dance disciplines.

Cooper Bradshaw, 8S who passed his weapons handling test at Cadets and can now fire at the range!

Ben Wigley, 8S who achieved a grade 1 on the cello with a merit and was only 2 points off gaining a Distinction!

Adison Amano 8S, Tom Corns 9H and Anwen Holmes, 10C who took part in the Geographical Association 'Worldwide Quiz' at Gordon's School, Chobham. All Hallows were placed 9th out of 17 schools, well done!

Luke O'Mara, 8P Emily Legge, 7S and Freddie Figg, 7P who competed in the recent Hampshire County Championships. **Luke** won an individual bronze in 200m Breaststroke and **Emily** achieved a bronze in the medley relay and a 5th place in the 200m breaststroke, 6th in the 100m breaststroke, 7th in the 50m breaststroke and 7th in the 100m backstroke and 10 out of 11 races were personal bests. Well done Luke, Emily and Freddie!



Dates for your Diary

8M AWAYDAY
Wednesday 27th February

ASH WEDNESDAY
Wednesday 6th March

YEAR 11 INFORMATION EVENING
Thursday 7th March
18.00 - 19.00

8S AWAYDAY
Wednesday 13th March

STAFF INSET DAY
Thursday 14th March

YEAR 11 INTO 12 TASTER DAY
Friday 15th March

8H AWAYDAY
Wednesday 20th March

YEAR 9 PARENTS' EVENING
Thursday 21st March
16.30 - 19.00

8P AWAYDAY
Wednesday 27th March

SPRING CONCERT
Thursday 28th March
19.00 - 21.00

YEAR 8 PARENTS' EVENING
Thursday 4th April
16.30 - 19.00

LAST DAY OF TERM
Friday 5th April - 12.15pm Finish



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