

Saint Ambrose College Newsletter

30th June 2017



Message from the Principal

'I alone cannot change the world, but I can cast a stone across the waters to create many ripples' Saint Mother Theresa

This week the boys have been involved in a wide range of enrichment activities culminating in a sponsored walk to support our partner school in Freetown, Sierra Leone. We hope to raise between 10 and 15 thousand pounds to support St Ambrose Academy.

Opportunities such as this give the students the chance to see how they can make a tangible, positive difference in the lives of others and I ask that you support them in collecting as much of their sponsor money as possible, for this worthwhile cause; maybe the ripple they send out this week can be more like a wave.

God Bless.

J. M. Keulemans

Dates for the diary

1st July—Open morning

14th July—last day of term
(12.30pm finish)

17th August—AS results

24th August—GCSE results

24th & 25th August—Registration for
6th form

5th September—1st year & 6th form
attend school

6th September—Whole school return
to school

12th September—L6th form induction
evening

20th September—3rd & 4th year
parents' information evening

21st September—1st year meet &
greet evening

Synagogue Visit on Monday

Mr Krause, Mrs Barlow, Mrs Oates and Miss Hart led half of the 2nd Year on a school trip to the Hale Barns Synagogue earlier this week. Pupils at Catholic schools in England & Wales sit an exam on Judaism in the 5th Year as part of their GCSE in Religious Studies and it makes sense that they learn about a faith whose Torah is so similar to our own Old Testament. Upon arrival at the Synagogue, only a short walk from our school, boys were the lucky recipients of a riveting talk on Judaism from the very friendly Rabbi Nicholas Kett, the 'Youth Rabbi' for the Ashkenazi Orthodox Jewish community of Hale Barns. Boys' questions and responses to Rabbi Kett's own questions were on the whole superbly articulated and the Rabbi more than once commented on the intelligence and excellent behaviour shown by our pupils. It became quickly evident that the boys knew more about Judaism than Rabbi Kett knew about Catholicism and indeed upon the culmination of his talk he pointed out sagaciously that the morning had been as much a learning experience for him as for our boys. Following a tour of the Synagogue the boys were given traditional Jewish biscuits as a special treat before making their way back to school. Many thanks to Rabbi Kett and the CST officer at Hale Barns Synagogue for being such congenial hosts and to our boys for being such pleasant and well behaved ambassadors of our school.

D. Krause

Saint Ambrose College

OPEN MORNING

Saturday 1st July

9.30am – 12.30pm

0161 980 2711
st-ambrosecollege.org.uk

Tonight's Rugby Auction

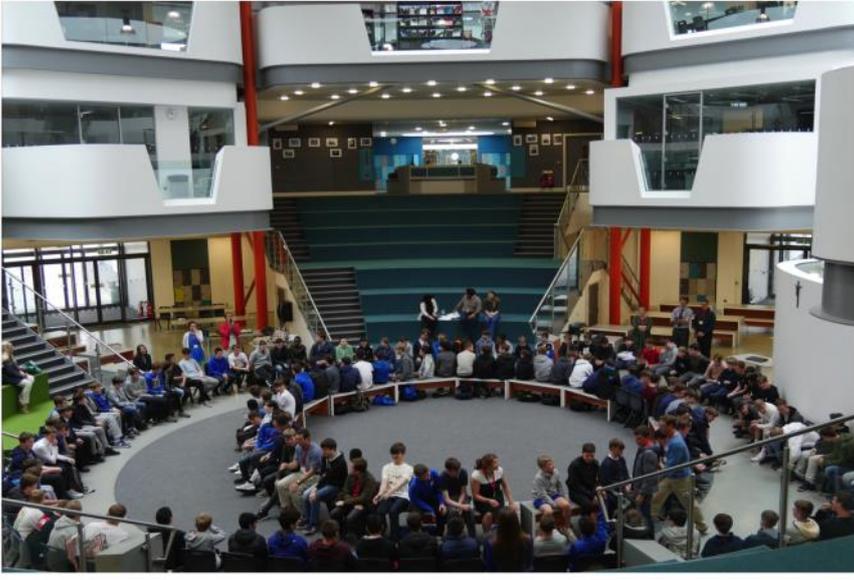
Please support the 2017 rugby tour by placing bids for auction items available tonight at Bowden Rugby Club from 7pm.

<http://www.st-ambrosecollege.org.uk/library/client/website/PE/Auction%20Brochure%20June%202017.pdf>

E-mail:
mrphowarth@st-ambrosecollege.org.uk



The Missionaries

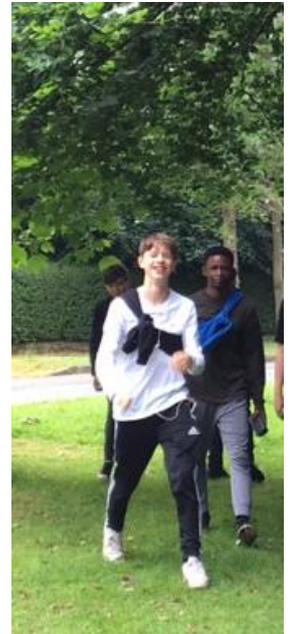


The Army

Manley Mere



French trip

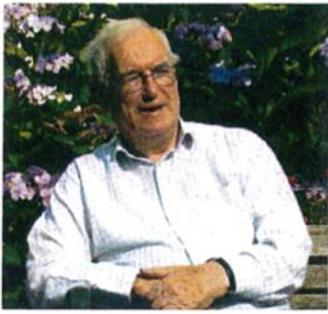


Sponsored Walk

Brother Gerry

Earlier this week we were informed that Brother Gerry Bownes has sadly passed away. Below is a photo of Brother Gerry relaxing in the gardens of Woodeaves and an overview of his long and distinguished vocation with the Christian Brothers, courtesy of Brother George Gordon, one of our Foundation Governors and the Community Leader at Woodeaves.

Our Lady of Perpetua



Pray for us

Br. Edward Gerard Bownes

Born : 22 February 1933, Laganboy West, Ballyhaunis, Co. Mayo.
Educated : Laganboy N. S., Ledsham Juniorate, University (England).



MISSION

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| 1952 : Twickenham, England | 1973 : Liverpool, England |
| 1954 : Bristol, England | 1978 : Bath, England |
| 1957 : Gibraltar | 1980 : Crosby, England |
| 1964 : Bristol, England | 2008 : Woodeaves, England |
| 1966 : Plymouth, England | 2017 : St. Patrick's Baldoyle |

SAPA News

We have no more scheduled events for the 2016-2017 academic year. Please visit our website or follow us on social media and you can catch up on the last year's news!

Next Meeting

We've had our final meeting for the academic year 2016-2017. The next meeting will be held at the beginning of the Autumn term. Please look out for the exact date in September.

Keep up with SAPA on:

E-mail - chair18@sapa.org.uk

Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/SAPAnews/>

Twitter - <https://twitter.com/StAmbrosePA>

Website - www.sapa.org.uk

SAPA Chair

Vatican Seeks Understanding of Youth Concerns

To involve young people in preparations for the Synod of Bishops on Youth in 2018, the Vatican has released the long-awaited online questionnaire YOUNG PEOPLE, THE FAITH AND VOCATIONAL DISCERNMENT to better understand the lives, attitudes and concerns of 16- to 29-year-olds around the world. The questionnaire - available in English, Spanish, French and Italian - is open to any young person, regardless of faith or religious belief. To complete the survey click on the link above and choose your language in the top right drop-down menu.



A group of St Ambrose students are planning to participate in the 2017 tough mudder challenge. Although not representing the school, we would like to commend the students for their efforts to support Whizz kids charity as it demonstrates their commitment to support others. If your son is aged 16 years or older and would like to express his interest to participate, please e-mail: 11gods-marktom@st-ambrosecollege.org.uk for further information.

Whizz-kidz
move a life forward

Manchester United V's Arsenal



28th April 2018

To support fund raising efforts for the Sierra Leone Immersion trip and to be in with a chance of attending one of the biggest matches on the football season calendar, please e-mail:

mrscclements@st-ambrosecollege.org.uk

to purchase raffle tickets

Helpful links

School office: office@st-ambrosecollege.org.uk

Pastoral concerns e-mail: Pastoralsupport@st-ambrosecollege.org.uk

Twitter: [@StAmbroseColl](https://twitter.com/StAmbroseColl)

SAPA website: www.sapa.org.uk/

For St. Ambrose current vacancies please visit: <http://www.st-ambrosecollege.org.uk/1126/info/vacancies/>

