

Saint Ambrose College Weekly News Bulletin

@PrincipalSAC Friday 9th February 2024

A Message from the Principal

No technical glitches today so we're back on schedule with the newsletters. A lot of what I would normally write regarding reflections on weekend activities and achievements has been included in the earlier version sent on Tuesday.

When we return after the break we will be in the season of Lent. We hope that the boys will return having made some additional commitments and sacrifice to last until Easter. Lent is also a period of reflection and preparation. This week I have been forced to reflect on the ageing process. A member of staff suggested that I should replace the image of me that you can see on this page of the newsletter because it is no longer an accurate representation. Even when I queried this with other staff, there wasn't exactly a resounding denial. I have taken some heart from Proverbs chapter 16 which states, "Grey hair is a crown of glory; it is gained in a righteous life." As we get older, we take a different perspective on many things in life and hopefully, with the additional wisdom comes added humility and better awareness generally. I hope I manage that better than Gregg Wallace if his recent column in The Telegraph is anything to go by.

Following on from last weekend's Model UN experiences and Catenian public speaking competition, Mr Brady took year 12 students to the 'northern final' stages of the Oxford Union Debate held at MGS on Tuesday. Out of the 48 teams entered, five had the accolade of being credited to be worthy to proceed to the national finals in Oxford. We are delighted to announce that Jack E (team captain) and Qiyi Y will be representing St Ambrose College in the final which will take place in the Oxford Union. We wish the boys every success in the finals.

A meeting of the Trafford Anti-Racist Schools Alliance took place at AGSB on Wednesday. Our students were instrumental in the discussions and ideas and we received feedback that our boys were "extremely eloquent". Students returned and have already held their own meeting to discuss future agendas and ideas continuing the College's anti-racism work. This week's interfaith group meeting finalised the plans for a new interfaith society open to all students to learn about various faiths represented across our student body.

Our ten representatives from years 8 and 9 involved in Mini Dash at The Catholic High School, Chester, also demonstrated their ambassadorial skills, often being first to get involved in

discussions and offering view-points. The same group have been involved in Mini DASH for 18 months as they continue to build an understanding of Catholic Social Teaching. As well as getting to grips with how they can have a positive impact on the world, there are always moments to pause for prayer and reflection.



We have had a particularly interesting

talk this afternoon delivered by Timothy Cho, a two-time North Korean escapee who has endured imprisonment four times in China and North Korea. Since arriving in the UK, Timothy has earned a number of degrees as well as alumni awards from the University of Liverpool and University of Salford. His story is certainly a fascinating one and I have no doubt that those who have listened to him will have been engaged as he spoke passionately about his values which include freedom of faith, expression, speech and opportunity. Thank you to Miss McManus for organising.

Year 12 attended the Young Enterprise Fair on Thursday morning and there are further opportunities for the year 12 students to be stretched with the maths workshop at Bletchley Park today and then then Sixth Form Cambridge Chemistry Competition hosted by Cambridge University tomorrow. Good luck to all involved.

Our school nurse and an early help organisation Early Break came in to school last Friday to speak to our students about the dangers of vaping. The visitors commented how polite and mature our students were. Information has been sent out to parents previously about Trafford online vaping training. More information and work will be carried out and circulated on this issue. If any parents are concerned about this issue or any other safeguarding issue please contact Mr Groves.

Thank you to the staff who organised the year 13 trip to Total Ninja. It was important that they were afforded some 'down time' following the internal exams but it is now imperative that their focus and priorities return to their studies for the 'run in'.

It has been another successful week in sport, the disappointment at Stowe aside (see below). All of our swimming teams won in the gala at Sandbach and the under 15 water polo team joined their under 18 peers in the national finals.



PRINCIPALS MESSAGE

After the half-term we have a couple of important evenings to note in diaries. For year 9 parents and carers we have the GCSE options evening on Thursday 22nd February and for year 13 parents and carers there is an important evening updating on the current situation with progress, intervention, strategies for support and looking ahead to key dates for the end of the academic year. Please keep Tuesday evening of 27th February free (6pm start).

We say goodbye to Mr Howarth today after 12 years of service and commitment. Mr Howarth is an old boy so today will have been particularly emotional. I think it is fair to say that the number of gifts he's received speaks volumes about how much his dedication to the boys has been appreciated. Unfortunately for Mr Howarth, Wednesday's national quarter-final at Stowe wasn't the fairy-tale ending but to have a team competing at that stage of the cup against such prestigious opposition is something to be proud of. I know the team will have been disappointed by how things unfolded but I hope they enjoyed the experience and opportunity.

Since the NFL introduced the 17th regular season game, the Superbowl has fallen on the first Sunday of the half-term break which is perfect. I have draped one of the atrium balconies with Kansas City Chiefs merchandise today in preparation for the 'greatest show on earth'. I was confident in the previous game but not so much for the big one vs the San Francisco 49ers. Nonetheless, with Monday off, I'll enjoy the game and I know dozens of the boys will be tuning in as well.

Finally, we wish our students travelling to Iceland over the half-term a safe and enjoyable trip. In the last 24 hours the third eruption since December has caused some concern in the areas in the Reykjanes Peninsula but Mr McFadden has been adapting the plans and schedule in line with guidance. There won't be any trips to the Blue Lagoon this time round unfortunately.

Have a fantastic half-term break.

Mr D Rainey Principal



REMINDERS

Dates for your diary

9th February	Half term begins
19th February	School resumes
22nd February	Year 9 Options Evening (further information to be emailed)
29th February	Year 9 Parents Evening (email will be sent on 22nd February)
1st March	Careers Day
22nd March	End of term
8th April	School resumes

Term dates for 2024/2025 can be viewed <u>here</u> For more calendar dates please visit our website:

www.st-ambrosecollege.org.uk/calendardates

EXAM INVIGILATORS

Invigilators are the people in examination rooms responsible for conducting examinations in the presence of the candidates. They have a key role in upholding the integrity of the external examination/assessment process. Saint Ambrose College is committed to ensuring that invigilators are effectively trained, briefed in their duties and kept up to date with JCQ and awarding body regulations and instructions regarding the conduct of exams.



We are seeking to employ Exam Invigilators to join the existing team for the upcoming GCE and GCSE examinations at the College. The post will suit applicants who can work as part of a team, have effective communication skills and be reliable and flexible during main exam periods. Full training will be provided so no prior invigilator experience is required.

St Ambrose College is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff, visitors and volunteers to share this commitment.

For more information please see the Job Description on the TES or contact our Exams Officer, Miss McEwan at <u>exams@st-ambrosecollege.org.uk</u>. If you would like to apply to be a part of the Saint Ambrose College Invigilation team please complete the online application by following the link below by the 8th of March 2024.

https://www.tes.com/jobs/search? keywords=saint+ambrose&sort=date&view=List&page=1&displayLocation=Current+location&point=53.3761236%2C-2.3022894&distance=30&selectedJobId=1998844

FAREWELL Mr Howarth











It's with immense gratitude and sadness that we bid farewell to Mr Howarth, who has been an integral part of our school community for the past 12 years, whether in the classroom, on the field, or in extracurricular activities, he has always gone above and beyond to inspire, encourage and support our students during his 12 years here. We wish Mr Howarth the best of luck in his new role in Chile.



STUDENT SUCCESS



Congratulations to Jamie F, Ben M and James M

Who played for Warrington SWPC last weekend in the Lancaster tournament for the Wilson Cup. The team came 2nd overall out of 5 teams, well done boys!





Congratulations to Parshva S -Year 12

who, after a rigorous application and interview progress, has been awarded the position of Jain Student Association

UK, Junior Ambassador. He will be working with the organisation and potentially across local high schools and colleges to raise awareness towards Jainism. Jainism is an ancient religion from India that teaches that the way to liberation and bliss is to live a life of harmlessness and renunciation. Parshva is also working alongside Rishik (also Year 12) to promote their new Hindu, Sikh, Jain and Buddhist Society. An enormous congrats from Miss Yates to the following students for passing their graded music examinations:

Ehidiamen A - Grade 1 ABRSM Piano (Merit)

Hesandu D - Grade 5 ABRSM Theory (Distinction)

GUEST SPEAKER



Timothy Cho

Today, we were humbled to hear the life story of Timothy Cho, who is a two-time North Korean escapee who has endured imprisonment four times in China and North Korea.

After his parents fled North Korea, he became a homeless member of the "enemy class," a group comprised of families of regime defectors deprived of opportunities.

Since arriving in the UK, he has earned a BA in International Relations and Politics from the University of Salford and an MA in International Relations and Security from the University of Liverpool.

In 2023, Timothy received the Alumni Awards from the University of Liverpool and the University of Salford, as well as the Ministerial Award from the South Korea Ministry of Unification. He served as an aide to Fiona Bruce MP for Congleton in 2018-2019 and currently holds the position of Secretariat of the UK All-Party Parliamentary Group on North Korea. Timothy also serves as an Open Doors Spokesperson for Korea and a CREDO Ambassador for persecuted people worldwide.

Additionally, he ran for election three times in the UK's Local Council Elections in May 2021, 2022 and 2023. He regularly speaks at conferences in the UK and internationally,



including the 49th and 52nd United Nations Human Rights Council Sessions, where he addresses human rights, political and religious persecution in North Korea and other nations. Reflecting on his past,

Timothy shares, "Living in totalitarian North Korea, I didn't know who I was, what choices I had, what I loved, or what my dreams were. The past 15 years of living in democratic Britain and pursuing education have helped me discover my identity, passions, and the values I stand for - our intrinsic democratic principles of freedom of faith, expression, speech and opportunity.

Thank you to Mrs McManus for arranging for Mr Cho to deliver his presentation to Year 12 & 13's today.





Gaelic Football

Training has started for year 7—9 and will continue every Wednesday after school on the Astro 3:45-4:45pm

<u>Handball</u>—continues after school on Tuesdays 3:45-4:45. <u>Indoor Cricket</u>—continues on Monday 3.45-5.15

Head Injury Risk Assessment

There has been a lot of discussion on the news about concussion and direct links to dementia etc in contact sports. The RFU have a very useful video which I would recommend all parents to watch outlining what we should do if we suspect a potential concussion. You can find this on <u>https://keepyourbootson.co.uk/rugbysafetoolkit/headcase/</u> and is appropriate for all contact sports.

Shin Pads

Parents and students are reminded that shin pads are required to participate in football in PE and Games lessons.

KUKRI Online Shop - This is now CLOSED

Personalised rugby shirts The Kukri Shop will be opening again shortly. If you missed the first opportunity to order a personalised rugby shirt please contact the College via email <u>office@st-</u> <u>ambrosecollege.org.uk</u> to be added to the waiting list. As advised KUKRI will only reopen the online shop when there are a minimum of ten orders. We do have some older style reversible Games shirts available to purchase as a replacement. The shirts are £10 and have various sizes available.

200 Club—now even easier to set up via your on-line banking!

Parents are reminded of our 200 Club which has monthly draws to raise money for School Sport. The Direct Debit mandate can be found on the School website and parents are encouraged to support the Sports Committee who run this. For £10 a month parents can win £100 with three bumper prizes of £200 in Summer and Xmas draws, The school receive half of the monies collected and use this to support our extensive Sports programme.

School sports Website:

The vast majority of fixtures are available to view on : <u>http://</u> www.sacsport.org.uk/?id=332

THIS WEEKS RESULTS

<u>Water polo</u> See separate report <u>Indoor Athletics</u> See separate report

<u>Games lessons for Year 7,8,9,10 this half term inside –</u> <u>all students will need trainers</u>

A reminder - kit is as follows:

Games lessons: Hooped rugby shirt, rugby shorts, games socks, boots. (shin pads when on football)

PE: lessons, white polo shirt or blue PE shirt, blue shorts, white socks , trainers. (for some outside sports your teacher may ask you to bring your games kit)

Swim lesson: house swim jammers, towel, hat, goggles.

Mr M Fitzsimon Director of Sport

SPORTS REPORT



INDOOR ATHLETICS

On Friday 2nd February, the Year 7s competed in the Sale Harriers Manchester indoor athletics invitational, held at the Eastlands Regional Arena, Sportcity. It would be a lot of the boys first taste of athletics, as we don't start teaching it in Games lessons until after the Easter break. This can make picking the teams quite challenging! However, all the boys selected performed at their best and once



again were up there competing with some of the best sprinting schools in the Manchester area.

Cormac K (800m), Chiebuka M (60m), John Joe McE (200m), Wesley A (60m), Ajay H-C (200m), Caelan M (High Jump), Eben Y (Long Jump) and Elwyn A (Shot Putt) were the boys representing the school. Individually, there were medals for Caelan, Chiebuka and Eben, coming away with bronze, silver and gold medals respectively. The overall consistency of the team put us in strong contention for the overall title. However they just missed out by a single point, becoming the 3rd Ambrose indoor athletics team in a row to miss out by the smallest of margins!

Mr Aspinwall

WATER POLO - U15 ESSA CHAMIONSHIP SEMI FINAL

On a miserable day of sleet, snow and rain the journey down to Northampton wasn't a pleasant drive and seemed to take forever. But that didn't dampen our u15 team. They were ready to take on the teams in our draw KES Birmingham, Northampton Boys and MGS. They started with a 4-1 win over KES with goals from Andrew Stephenson Matthew Wilson 2 and Jude Eagling. Next up Northampton who had just beaten MGS 7-5. We looked strong and disciplined from the start with Andrew



Stephenson scoring 4 goals in the first half. Followed by second half goals from Jude Eagling and a 5th from Andrew Stephenson. Final score 6-1. Our last game was against our Northern rivals Mgs who beat us in the u13 semis last season. St Ambrose were fired up after Mr Moffatts final games team talk. What a great performance from everyone with a 5-2 win with goals coming from Andrew S 2 Jude E, Sam O and Matthew W. 3 wins out of 3 and topping the table. The second place spot for the final went to goal difference with all 3 teams winning 1 game each. MGS took it with a -3 goal difference. An excellent whole team performance with the defence Logan M, Jamie F, Oscar P, Gabrielle M on fire only conceding 4 goals in the whole tournament. The boys on the wings were outstanding, constantly swimming with quick turnover breaks Sam Ollier, Ben M, Matthew M, Jude E and Matthew W. The centre forwards we on form with Andrew S and Adam K getting the better of the oppositions defence.

Congratulations to all the boys on your outstanding performance throughout the day. Keep training as a team and this could be our year. Good luck in the National Championship Final to be held at Haberdashers in London





U18 ESSA Plate Semi Final

A massive well done to our U18 team for their impressive 3 games, winning them all to top the table.

10-1 win against St Bede's St Josephs.

8-0 win against Bedford

5-3 win against Bedford Modern after coming back from 3-0 down in the first half and then winning with an excellent run of 5 goals in the second half.

An excellent team performance with a mixture of year groups in the U18 team. Good Luck in the plate final to be held at Eton College in March.

Year 9 – Andrew S, Jude E, Logan M Year 10 Matthew M, Matthew W, Oscar P Year 11 Charlie C, Antonia P Year 12 Daniel C, Dylan M, John W, Finian E

<u>Swimming Gala Tuesday 6th February away to Sandbach</u>

Congratulations to the swimming team with all year groups topping their individual tables and every team winning their relay races. We have been unbeaten this year in the school team swimming. Well done and thank you to all the team captains for their hard work getting teams together. An outstanding team effort and thank you for all the boys that took part.

U13 Water Polo match V Bolton grammar (friendly)

It was great to see our U13 water polo team playing together in a tough game against a very clinical Bolton team. Bolton 13 St Ambrose 8. It was a good game in preparation for their ESSA tournament next half term.





SCHOOL NEWS

WOLRD BOOK DAY

Back by popular demand, we are pleased to announce this year's St Ambrose *Book Swap*, which will take place on **Thurs**day **7**th **March** to mark



World Book Day. This is a great opportunity for your son to recycle books that he has finished with and to find something new to read. We are also hoping that this event will create a 'buzz' about books, generating lots of conversations about reading among the boys.

If your son would like to take part, all he needs to do is bring in a book/ books that he is willing to swap/donate. Books will be collected during form time from Monday 19th February by VI Form helpers who will boys issue with a ticket, which will enable them to select a book of their choice from the available selection on the day itself.

We would ask that donated books be in reasonable condition and ideally be appropriate for children in your son's own year group. Exchanged books may be kept forever so please make sure your child does not donate any book that they will want back.

Thanks in advance for all your help and support in making this event a success.

Mrs Hill

CATENIANS PUBLIC SPEAKING COM-PETITION

The Catenians Public Speaking Competition was held on Sunday in central Manchester

Well done to Josh C and Teni O both



Year 12 who performed well and received excellent feedback from the judging panel.



ICE CityZen Challenge

ICE – the Institute of Civil Engineering – held a six-week challenge before Christmas for our Year 12 and 13 Physics students. Teams of up to 4 students completed four online tasks and then met with our Civil Engineering mentor, who works for National Highways on bridge and motorway projects. She gave advice ahead of them planning and recording their video project. This was a 4 minute video of an infrastructure project they would like in their neighbourhood, such as an extension to the Metrolink system or building a tunnel under Manchester city centre to smooth out traffic! All who participated have received a very nice certificates with the videos being judged by March, with the possibility of prizes and a trip to London to visit the ICE centre as the top level prizes. Congratulations to all who participated and make sure you log it on your Unifrog account!

Dr. Gardener Head of Physics





DRAMA DEPARTMENT

School Show

As you may be aware from our October Newsletter, and notices on classcharts, <u>plans for this year's school show (July) are</u> well under way.

Following an assembly last July in which students heard about the challenges faced by refugees and asylum seekers, many felt they wanted to do more to raise awareness/ offer support towards difficulties faced. Therefore, this year's school show aims to be part of a bigger advocacy project to raise awareness towards the plight of refugees and asylum seekers. It is an exciting and original performance, created by everyone involved.

Since September, boys across all age groups, have participated in a weekly lunchtime Drama club, Thurs 12:45-1:35pm, experimenting with ways of dramatising the experiences of refuges. Some have made short films, wrote poetry and scripted material.

When we return after half term students will have the following special opportunities:

Thurs 22nd Feb, 12:30-1:30pm, Drama Studio

Dr Richard Simpson will share his experience of supporting asylum seekers to dispel myths around obtaining refugee status and provide insight into the realities facing displaced people.

Tues 5th March, 12:30-2.30pm, Drama Studio

Theatre Company Box of Tricks will lead the first of three drama workshops designed to explore theatrical techniques used by industry experts to shape research and verbatim interviews into performance moments.

Thurs 7th March, 12:30-1:30pm, Drama Studio

Brother Ger along with invited refugees will share their lived experiences.

Tues 30th April, 12:30-2.30pm, Drama Studio Box of Tricks workshop 2 Tues 21st May, 12:30-2.30pm, Drama Studio Box of Tricks workshop 3 Thurs 11th July: 2pm, 6.30pm, Fri 12th July: 6.30pm, Lecture Theatre Performance

It is not too late to get involved. Anyone who would like to take part should come along to our next rehearsal Thursday 12:45pm in 2310 (the Drama studio), students do not have to be studying Drama to participate.

Additionally, I would like to welcome contributions/ participation from families. In particular students would really like to hear from anyone willing to share their, or their family's experiences relating to asylum seeking, or the challenges and opportunities of starting a new life in a new country. We are able to protect anonymity and provide open ended questions to respond to. If you would like to get involved please email Mrs Taylor: mrsltaylor@stambrosecollege.org.uk

Likewise if your son/ ward would be interested in taking part in the project but not as a performer he should email Mrs Taylor.



When was the last time you went to the theatre?

As we know there are many virtues of watching theatre. Theatre teaches us how to express ourselves effectively. It helps develop our ability to communicate our thoughts and feelings to others, improving our relationships. It can promote empathy, improve understanding, tap into our imagination and give us new and creative ideas. The experience of being in the same physical space as hundreds of strangers experiencing the same live event where we can see real human emotion and expression in front of our very eyes is very different to watching a film or TV show. In fact, back in Ancient Greece, attending the theatre was not just a source of entertainment but a civic duty. Citizens would be paid a full day's wages to go to theatre to improve their concentration and see the consequences characters' dealings with the ethical, moral, and spiritual issues of the day.

Dates for the Diary

Upcoming theatre trips: Sat 24th February, HOME MCR: *Bluebeard* (directed by Emma Rice, Wise Children) Wed 6th March, Chester Storyhouse: *The Nature of Forgetting*

Exam performances:

Yr11 Showcase 17th April 6-8pm Drama Studio, tickets only, (limited places, free of charge, available from Mrs Taylor) Yr11 Practical exam 18 &19th April (all day Drama studio) A-level showcase, 24th April 12.35-1.15pm Drama Studio, tickets only, (limited places, free of charge, available from Mrs Taylor) A-level practical exam 26th April (all day Drama Studio)

Recommended shows to see with your family

Tess – Ockham's Razor (Lowry Theatre, 14-17 Feb) *The Boy at the Back of the Class* (Lowry Theatre 26 March, other dates also available)

Free theatre

Prefer to watch from the comfort of your home?

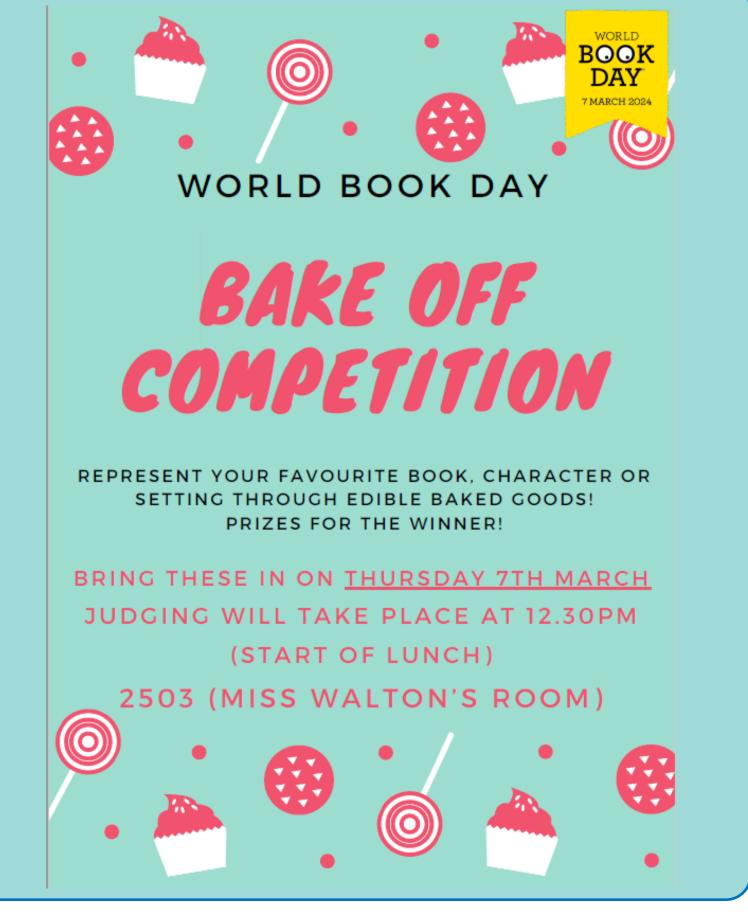
Please make use of our subscriptions to watch recorded shows at home, there are plenty of family favourites including The railway Children, Treasure Island and Peter Pan to choose from:

Digital theatre plus:

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ST AMBROSE PRESENTS... Bake Off Competition



Vitam Impendere Vero- Live Life by the Truth



ST AMBROSE COLLEGE



EVERYBODY WELCOME! Monday Lunchtime 1:00-1:30 3205



ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE EMAIL: 18Rishiknair@st-Ambrosecollege 18Parshvashah@st-Ambrosecollege





PLACES WHERE KIDS EAT FREE (OR FOR £1) DURING FEBRUARY HALF TERM 2024



ASDA

Kids eat for £1 All Day, Every Day at Asda cafes, with no adult spend required.

TESCO

Kids eat free with a purchase of 60p+ from From Mon 12th - Fri 23rd February 2024

SAINSBURYS CAFES

Kids eat for £1 with the purchase of an adult hot main. From 11:30am every day.

BEEFEATER & BREWERS FAYRE

Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!

THE REAL GREEK

Kids under 12 eat FREE every Sunday for every £10 spent by an adult

GREENE KING PUBS

Kids Eat Free all-day with the purchase of an adult's meal. Deal, Monday-Friday, between Mon 12th – Friday 23rd February 2024

TRAVELODGE & PREMIER INN

Buy 1 Adult Breakfast from just £8.99 & up to two kids eat breakfast for free

SIZZLING PUBS

Every Monday to Friday, 3 - 7pm, kids' mains are £1 with every adult meal.

TGI FRIDAYS

Kids Eat Free When 'Stripes Rewards Members' purchase a full priced adult's main meal (App needed)

IKEA

Kids get a meal from 95p daily from 11am

MORRISONS

Spend £4.49 and get one free kids meal all day, every day.

GORDON RAMSEY RESTAURANTS

Kids under 8 eat FREE all day, every day at selected Gordon Ramsay restaurants

PRETO

Kids up to age 10 eat free all day, every day with paying adults at Preto in Half Terms

YO! SUSHI

From Mon 12th - Fri 23rd February 2024 kids eat free with every £10 adult spend

BELLA ITALIA

Children eat for £1 with any adult main. The offer is valid 4-6pm Mon to Thurs.

WHITBREAD INNS

Two kids under 16 eat for FREE with every adult breakfast purchased

DOBBIES GARDEN CENTRES

At Dobbies, for every adult breakfast or lunch purchase, kids eat for FREE. Every Day!

TABLE TABLE

Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!

PAUSA CAFE @ DUNELM

Kids get 1 mini main, 2 snacks & a drink FREE with every £4 spend after 3pm

HUNGRY HORSE Kids eat for £1 on Mondays

FUTURE INNS Under 5s eat for free with any adult meal.

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Please see an *amended* Intervention timetable below which your son can access by dropping in. If your son is struggling with any aspects of his studies, please encourage him to attend the sessions available to assist with his independent revision.

Mrs Hart Achievement Mentor

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>
Before School					Computing (During Form Time by invitation) Mr Sweeney
	RE 1pm Miss McCrory	PE GCSE 12:30pm Mr Fitzsimon	Geography 12:45pm Mr Donnelly	RE 1pm Mrs Wheelan class only	English 1pm Mrs Hill
Lunchtime	RE 1pm Mrs Wheelan Week 1/ Mr Groves Week 2 English 1pm Mrs Hill	Drama 12:30pm Mrs Taylor Geography 12:45pm Mr McFadden		History 1pm Miss Edwards Computing (Week 1 Only) 12:30pm Mr Sweeney	
	Chemistry Clinic 12:30pm Mr Elwell	RE 1pm Miss McCrory Music 12:30pm Miss Yates	-		
After School			History 3:45pm Mr Brady Maths 5-6pm (TEAMS) Miss Donegan	Geography 3:45pm Mr McFadden RE (From Feb Half Term) 7-8pm (TEAMS) Miss McCrory	

Art and DT Workshops are available for drop in throughout the week both at lunchtime and after school

St. Ambrose College Careers Day 2024



St. Ambrose College is looking for employers and further/higher education providers to deliver and promote careers within their companies for our Careers Day 2024

- St. Ambrose College is a selective school and one of the top performing schools in the country
- St. Ambrose College has a wide range of high achieving students and future talent from across Greater Manchester, that are keen to learn about possible career paths and the world of work

We would like companies and providers to to:

- Send representatives to run a stall to promote the company and possible careers with the company and pathways into employment
- Students will rotate with a new year group each hour (5 hours in total)



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DATE: Friday 1st March 2024

START TIMES:

Year 7	Period 1	9.15 - 9.40			
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Year 8	Period 1	9.45 - 10.10			
Year 9	Period 2	10.15 - 11.15			
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Year 10	Period 3	11.35 – 12.30			
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Lunch Break					
Year 11	Period 4	1.40 - 2.35			
Post 16	Period 5	2.40 – 3.35			
		5100			

Benefit to Companies:

- Links to one of the top performing schools in the country
- Access to high achieving learners and future talent
- Positive Social and Corporate Responsibility exposure

EVENT INFORMATION:

For each session, students will register with their classroom teacher before being escorted and accompanied to the sports hall for the duration of the session by teaching staff. Members of the Senior Leadership Team will also be present throughout the day.

During the session students will have the opportunity to gain information and ask questions to a range of employers, employees, apprenticeship providers and FE and HE institutions.

If companies have stands/displays that they would like to bring to market and promote their company we would welcome this alongside any literature about the company and employment pathways.

Please contact the following if you would like to take part in helping support the future generation of talent from St. Ambrose College:

Careers: careers@st-ambrosecollege.org.uk

<u>St Ambrose College, Hale Rd, Hale Barns, Altrincham, WA15 OHE</u> Tel: 0161 980 2711





Monday 17th June – Friday 21st June 2024

Work Experience for Year 12

During this week, Year 12 students will have the opportunity to participate in a work experience program. Students are encouraged to organise their own placements at workplaces of their interest. We strongly recommend that students begin making inquiries and arrangements for work experience as early as possible to ensure a valuable and enriching experience.

If you or any contacts you may have are interested in being a delegate and presenting at our careers & Future Pathways Fair, we would be delighted to welcome new employers. Please reach out to us at the contact address provided below.

We will continue to share further information and updates with you throughout the year. Should you have any immediate questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us at <u>careers@st-ambrosecollege.org.uk</u>.

Kind regards, Mr. Gunning and the Careers Team





WEBINAR FOR PARENTS



Are you a parent with a child at a Trafford School? Join our webinar for information on vaping!

Commissioned by Trafford Council's Public Health Team, a smoking cessation and vaping service for young people has been established.

In partnership between the School Nurses Team and Early Break, this webinar will offer parents information on the facts around vaping, the risks, how behaviour may be impacted and how to manage this at home. It will also give you the chance to ask questions and know where to get support if you would like support for your young person.

We will be running free webinars on the following dates:

Wednesday February 28th at 7pm

Thursday March 28th at 7pm

Please click on the link for whichever webinar you wish to join. If this does not work, please email <u>info@earlybreak.co.uk</u> who will be able to share the event with you or if you have any further questions.

See you then!

Early Break and School Nurses Team



ATTENDANCE

The School Day

Please can we remind all students to ensure they are on-site by 08:55, all boys should be in their form rooms at 09:00 for registration.

All students should enter the building using the student entrance **not** Main Reception (this is only for late arrivals). Students who have two or more late marks in one week will receive an after-school detention.

Parents/Carers – please do not use the College car park as a drop-off point at the beginning or end of the day. This is for the safety of our students.

For further guidance please refer to our Attendance Policy available on the website: <u>St Ambrose College (st-ambrosecollege.org.uk)</u>

Medical Appointments

If your son has a medical appointment please try and make them after school or if not as close to the end of the school day as possible. Please give advance notice of appointments in writing attaching copies of medical letters/appointment cards and email them to attendance@st-ambrosecollege.org.uk

PASTORAL/WELL-BEING ISSUES

Please contact your son's form tutor in the first instance and they will resolve or pass on as required. For urgent matters relating to safeguarding or pastoral care, please contact Mr Groves, our Designated Safeguarding Lead: mrpgroves@st-ambrosecollege.org.uk

ONLINE SAFETY

Students' online safety is important to us. We encourage parents to visit our website for advice and guidance <u>Saint Ambrose College - Online Safety (st-ambrosecollege.org.uk)</u>

Useful resources can also be found by visiting:

https://www.internetmatters.org/parental-controls/

https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/

https://parentinfo.org/

https://www.lgfl.net/online-safety/default.aspx

More general advice and information about the latest apps is available from Net Aware <u>https://www.net-aware.org.uk/</u>