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Faith, Hope & Love

by James Kibble, Executive Headteacher

This line from St. Paul has been our guide this week. As we were coming towards the end of the academic year and starting to worry about how we were going to get everything done before the holidays, suddenly an incident of such enormity struck that it caused us to completely re-evaluate our priorities. The events of this week have been challenging in the extreme and it can be difficult to make sense of how to move forward but once again, we have discovered that when we live in **hope**, trust in **faith** and follow the example of Christ by acting with compassion and **love**, some sense of order can be re-established. As I have said in my updates throughout the week, the children have responded brilliantly to everything they have had to face; they have acted with dignity, maturity and sensitivity, they have looked after one another and demonstrated real resilience to cope with adversity. The staff have continued to be super-human in their efforts to support the children whilst keeping things "normal" and coping with their own emotions. As for you, the parents and friends of the school, we couldn't have asked for more warmth, encouragement and affirmation – I don't know how we would have got through the week without you.

On a practical note, if you didn't receive the latest update from the school, it included an information sheet on all the places that students and parents can go to over the summer holidays for support if they are struggling as a result of this week's events. A copy of this information sheet can be found on the homepage of the school website. Please do continue to remember those who will be struggling this holiday in your prayers.

The rest of this half term seems like a long time ago now but we were keen to finish the year by remembering some of the good things that have happened. We hope you enjoy reading something of what makes Salesian such a great community school in the following pages.

With all best wishes for a peaceful summer,
Yours in hope, faith & love.
James Kibble

Gospel Reflection

[Luke 10: 25-37](#)

2018-19: Carry on building the Kingdom!

We finish the year with one of the most famous parables from the Gospel. The Good Samaritan would have been seen as the least likely of those passing by

to stop and help the man in distress. Not only did he stop to help but he did so completely selflessly despite the fact that there appeared to be no gain for him in doing so.

Acts of authentic Christian, loving kindness such as helping those in distress are the practical steps we can all take every day to building the Kingdom. There are no shortage of opportunities to reach out and help others on a daily basis, no matter who you are, where you are, how busy you are, or indeed, what you may already be struggling with personally.

Any decent Catholic school will have already established a culture of selfless help for those in need. The challenge is to ensure that those leaving the community - as some students and staff inevitably do at the end of the academic year – go out and spread this culture wherever they go.

Reflections on the Eucharist:

- 📖 What have I achieved that I am proud of this year?
- 📖 How will I stay alert to opportunities to provide selfless aid when I step out into the world?
- 📖 How have I moved closer to God this year?

Parent Survey Results

Thank you to all those parents who took part in the recent survey; the results are laid out below. We will follow up with our response to the additional comments made, next term.

Question	Score
My child is happy at school	94%
My child feels safe at school	97%
My child makes good progress at school	94%
The school provides my child with a strong Catholic education	97%
My child is well looked after at school	96%
My child is well taught at school	97%
My child receives appropriate homework for their age	88%
The school ensures that its students are well behaved	96%
The school deals effectively with bullying	95%
The school is well led and managed	98%
The school responds well to an concerns I raise	92%
The school provides me with valuable information about my child's progress	90%

Transforming Practice

We recently achieved a further two accreditations for transforming practice namely, Climate for learning

and Professional Learning under SSAT's Framework for Exceptional Education.



The Framework for Exceptional Education is a self-review and planning tool incorporating SSAT's 30 years of experience in school improvement. Co-developed with a group of high-performing schools and reviewed by leading academics, the framework supports schools in quality-assuring their work and sharing effective practice.

To achieve accreditation as transforming in practice, Salesian School, Chertsey was reviewed by another high-performing school and an independent moderator from SSAT. SSAT's Chief Executive, Sue Williamson comments "for a school to be accredited for transforming practice is a real credit to their team and the quality of the work that they are doing."

Kerry Gray, our most recent moderator, said "Enlightening minds and uplifting hearts are the school motto and this is lived and modelled on a daily basis both in classrooms and generally around the school. High education standards along with a sound moral and religious education is at the heart of Salesian."

James Kibble, said "Everyone at the school is delighted to have gained this prestigious accreditation. We all work exceedingly hard here to ensure that every child receives the best possible education and this can only happen when standards of teaching are exceptional. These are challenging awards to achieve and they are a testament to the exceedingly high standards we set at Salesian and a reflection of our very special and quite wonderful school community. We look forward to plenty more achievement and celebration in the future!"

Josie Jeffery (Asst Headteacher)

Warm Welcome to our 2019/20 Year 7s

It was great to welcome the Year 6 students into Salesian on both 2nd and 3rd July ahead of the next academic year. As a cohort, they were a fabulous bunch and we are most excited to welcome them into our school community. Over the course of the two days, the students got a taste of what it is like to be a student at Salesian. The students heard about our founder Don Bosco as well as getting involved with an investigation in Science as to who poisoned Mr Kibble, playing dodgeball and much more. However, a

favourite for many was the opportunity to sample the food in our school canteen!



Being a community centered school; it was great getting a chance to welcome parents in on the Tuesday evening to discuss how we can work together over the coming years. We aim to ensure all the young people in our care are able to leave happy and healthy young people having reached their potential and we have no doubt our next cohort of Year 7s will get an equally great deal.

Kate Honeywood (Asst Headteacher)

Post 18 Options



On Thursday 27th June, our Year 12s spent the day learning about how to write the perfect personal statement/cover letter for their applications to University/the world of work. Students rotated around school writing a different paragraph with a different teacher and learning about what will set them apart from other candidates. In addition, they also signed up to UCAS and started to think about their future post College. In the evening, our Year 12 parents joined their children to listen to two inspiring talks from The University of Surrey and Weir Training Apprenticeships. We also had a number of our student alumni come in to give our current students and parents a variety of talks, which included Applying to Oxbridge, The Application Process, Apprenticeships and Medicine. The students had an insightful day, which has given them lots to think about for the future!

Pippa Clarke (Head of Year 12, Geography Teacher)

A-Level Biology Field Trip

Our 47 Year 12 A-level Biologists recently visited Juniper Hall Field Centre near Dorking for a day of field studies. We were fortunate to have perfect weather conditions enabling us to make the most of the learning experience. Students developed essential practical skills, which they could use in the field and the hands-on work helped the students appreciate the significance of the techniques.

During the morning, students investigated the effect of Abiotic factors on the Distribution of Water Invertebrates (such as Swimming Mayfly Nymphs) in the River Tillingbourne. Then in the afternoon, they applied previous Succession knowledge when they carried out a Succession study on Mickleham Downs, which is a SSI (Site of Special Scientific Interest).

The field centre staff were really impressed by the enthusiastic and intelligent responses of many of our students who were great Salesian ambassadors.

Carol Burke (Biology Subject Leader)

Year 12 Geography Trip



On Tuesday 2nd July, all Year 12 Geographers visited Stratford to see first-hand the impact of Regeneration in the area. Brian who was an expert on the area, having lived in East London for 67 years, guided us. An ex-deputy head and geography teacher knew everything and everyone! It was fascinating to hear his point of view on the changes in and around Newham over the years. We started by walking around Old Stratford, followed by lunch in Westfield Shopping Centre and then continued with a guided walk around the Olympic Site and Hackney. I recorded that we walked over 23,000 steps in total! Brian spoke about the impacts of the new (and very expensive housing) as well as the demographics of East London and how it has changed over time. We had a fabulous day and came away with a greater knowledge.

Pippa Clarke (Head of Year 12, Teacher of Geography)

Year 12 Graphics visit Lightbox Museum

On Tuesday 2nd July our Year 12 Graphics/3D students visited the Lightbox museum in Woking to view a couple of their current exhibitions. Students enjoyed the 'Parallel lines: drawing and sculpture', as well as the 'annual Art and Design showcase'.

They looked at example A-Level work from Photography, Fine Art, Textiles, 3D, Product design and Graphic design students in the local area.



They left feeling inspired and enthused to continue with their own personal investigation projects worth 60% of their final A-Level grade - and we are excited to see their work in next year's exhibition here at Salesian.

Emma Alighieri (Head of DT)

Year 12 Business Trip



On 8th July, 36 of our college students currently studying Business Studies, Economics and Enterprise

and Entrepreneurship visited the Mini Factory in Oxford. The students, in small groups were given guided tours by staff, some of whom have worked for BMW Mini for over 30 years! They were shown the production process and told how the factory has changed over the years with cars now manufactured mostly by robots. The students enjoyed seeing how the robots worked together to develop the cars and how the employees were also involved in the production process. They were able to see how some of the content they have previously learnt in the classroom is established in industry, which enabled the topics to come to life for the students.

Charlotte Greenwood (Teacher of Business Studies & Economics)

Year 12 CERN Trip



When we arrived in Geneva on Friday - still slightly tired from arriving at Gatwick for 6am - the first thing we did was find somewhere to eat lunch and inevitably ended up in a McDonald's in some vague attempt to sample the local cuisine! After checking into our hostel, we then went down to Lake Geneva, a short 5-minute walk away, and spent a couple of hours swimming or reading at the shore. In the evening, we all ate dinner at the hostel, before having a little time to explore the area, and perhaps head to a bar. The next morning, we headed to the United Nations building. This was one of my personal highlights of the trip, as we were taken around the meeting rooms and shown various artistic donations from countries all around the world; not to mention the building was magnificent. After this, we headed for lunch, before getting on a tram to the main purpose of the trip - CERN. Standing for "Conseil Européen pour la Recherche Nucléaire", this research centre is internationally used for investigating the fundamental particles which make up our universe. Upon arrival to the conference room, we were briefed on the mechanics, and the history of the LHC (Large Hadron Collider), including the discovery of the Higgs Boson back in 2012. Being taken around CERN and being shown the first cyclotron used was nothing short of fascinating, especially since a large part of what we saw related directly to our A Level Physics. One of my personal favourite parts of the exhibition was the bubble chamber, in which we got to see the tracks left by collisions happening in real time. After making our way back into Geneva, we once again headed out into the town in the evening, venturing to the bars along the lake. On the Sunday, our final day, we walked past the famous Geneva fountain to the old town, exploring the park and market before heading back to the airport.

Year 12 Student

Belgium Battlefields Trip

On 22nd June, a group of year 8 and 9 students were lucky enough to go on a captivating World War 1 battlefields and war graves trip to Belgium and the Somme in France.

We set off early on the Saturday morning and before we knew it, we were in France, having taken the Eurotunnel; which was a new experience for me. Once we had arrived in Belgium, we went to the Passchendaele Memorial Museum, where we were

immersed into the life of a World War I soldier, as within the museum there was a recreated dugout and trench that we could go through.

On the second day, Tyne Cot Cemetery had an overwhelming impact on every student. The place was filled with beauty and peace, as well as a sombre tone, commemorating all those young, innocent men and women who had died for us.

Later that day, our evening was spent at the Menin Gate in Ypres, witnessing the Last Post Ceremony. This allowed all of us to remember those who had died, and as a school leave our mark of remembrance by laying a wreath at the gate.

The Somme was our destination on the final day. We were able to see the battlefields and the Thiepval Memorial, which was a stunning piece of architectural commemoration, lined with the names of fallen soldiers. The day was also a journey of personal remembrance for me as Terry, our amazing tour guide, was able to locate the grave and names of two of my Australian relatives who died in the battle of the Somme, and I was able to pay my respects.

We returned home via the Bray Dunes, a beach location that played a significant role in World War Two's Dunkirk evacuations, where we were able to take in the stunning coastline and reflect on all we had seen.

Emma Stokes (Year 9)

Year 7 to Marwell Zoo

On a very hot and sunny 4th July the whole of Year 7 set off to Marwell Zoo. Students explored the zoo in their tutor groups drawing upon knowledge they had learnt in a previous science lesson in preparation for the trip. The main focal point of the day was to consider the adaptations of the different animals in order for them to survive in their natural habitats. Two of the highlights of the day were watching the giraffes being fed and the meerkats enjoying the sun! The students did a fantastic job of this and were incredibly knowledgeable by the end of the day! The day was of course finished off at the gift shop before heading back to school.

Miss Barclay (KS3 Coordinator & Asst Head of Year 10)

Piano Masterclass with Richard Meyrick



On Monday 1st July, we welcomed back world-renowned concert pianist Richard Meyrick. Four of our students were fortunate to play and as ever, he built an immediate rapport with them, making them feel at total ease. As musicians, we never stop learning; participating in a masterclass is a fantastic way to build upon skills and knowledge through advice from a true professional, and our students were lucky to receive help and guidance from such a prestigious musician. This is all possible due to a piano scholarship scheme generously funded by Sir Harvey and Lady Allison McGrath, who are passionate about supporting young musicians. Thank you to Richard and to our students Sophie Mitchell and Ethan Chong-Monserrate (Year 10), Henrique and Gabriela E Silva (Year 9) for playing and listening so well to Richard's advice.

Annual Scholars Dinner



On Thursday 4th July, we welcomed new members to our Scholars choir for next year, and said farewell to those who are leaving us. The students tucked into their pizza and pasta dishes while we reminisced about all the wonderful things Scholars have achieved this year and what we look forward to about next year. We welcome Abbey Jones, Louise Tack, Tippi Tidbury, Anna Bachanska, Lorna Chinyani, Erin Vellucci and Jaimie Kollmer. Good luck and farewell to Alex Poole, Thomas Fry, Sam Williamson, Katie Ansell, Anna Richardson, Eleanor Hegarty and Caragh Thornley. We are happy to say we are keeping Chris Rice who becomes 'Mr Rice' in September as a member of staff at Salesian!

Darcey Wynter (Acting Head of Music)

Music Academy Trip

On Friday 5th July thirteen current and prospective GCSE and A-Level Music students were fortunate enough to attend a performance of Engelbert Humperdinck's opera 'Hansel and Gretel'. A short bus journey took us to Grange Park Opera, within the beautiful grounds of West Horsley Place in the Surrey Hills. The company very kindly reserved picnic seating within our very own marquees and some of the best seats in the house (£135 face value) all complimentary!



The performance of the traditional German fairy tale was fantastic and all of the students enjoyed it immensely. The students represented themselves and the school impeccably and made the most of this wonderful opportunity to see a live opera performance with live orchestra.

Max Goldberg (Teacher of Music)

Year 7 French Trip

The day started bright and early at 4am; 2 coaches, 8 teachers and 81 students met up outside the school gates. I was on coach 1 with Miss Nelson, Mr McCann, Mrs Mourelle and Miss Sornum. As I boarded the coach, I remember looking round and seeing many people fast asleep! We set off at around 4:45 toward Folkestone to catch the Eurotunnel. After a long hour and a half journey (which didn't seem that long as we were all sleeping, well most of us) we arrived at the Eurotunnel terminal.

Our early arrival at the terminal meant we had a bit of free time to get some breakfast and look around although, my friend Krzysztof thought it would be a better idea to buy a rubber duck instead! Meanwhile, my friends and I enjoyed a nice Starbucks and a panini for breakfast.

When our hour was up, we got back on the coaches and made our way toward the tunnel. After some

brilliant maneuvering from our coach driver, we boarded the train. Mr McCann told us that there was usually a café or a restaurant where we could sit at one end of the train. We searched every carriage looking for this phantom café – which we later found out was never actually there!

As we alighted from the train, those of us who had never been to France (including myself) got our first look at France. We were greeted by a bunch of cargo storage containers and pylons.

It was at this point when our two coaches split, coach 1 went off to the creperie while coach 2 went to Bolougne old town.

Upon arrival at Pain Show, (the creperie) we were welcomed by the owners of the shop. They showed us how to make crepe batter and we all got a chance to whip the egg white. Thanks to Jamie for tipping them over his head to see if they were ready! We then all enjoyed our delicious crepes with a topping of chocolate spread.

After we had finished our crepes, we set off for the old town. We climbed the hill and entered through the gate into the town. It was filled with little brick streets and small shops. Everyone took this opportunity to spend their money. Some people bought berets; some bought sunglasses; some even bought keys that would give you a small electric shock! Krzysztof tried very hard to find another rubber duck to accompany his English one, but he was unfortunately unsuccessful.

We then made our way to Nausicaa, where we met up with the other coach. We saw jellyfish, stingrays, very colourful fish and even sharks! Everyone was trying to get photos of everything! We then saw a seal lion show, where we watched sea lions jump from cliffs and dart through the water. It was amazing!

Now it was time for our final stop, the hypermarket. Everyone was really excited to spend their money. When we arrived, we found that the hypermarket was not dissimilar to a shopping centre in England. Even so, people were still eager to see all the shops. People bought all things from French chocolate to pyjamas and even potatoes! Again, despite his efforts, Krzysztof was unable to find a French rubber duck.

By this point, everyone was pretty much exhausted. We all wearily got back on the coach and got the Eurotunnel back to England. Everyone had a great day but we were still happy to be back home!

Gemma Gilmore and Krzysztof Bachanski (Year 7 students)

Dieppe Trip

On Friday 28th June, myself, Miss McEvoy, Miss Vardapin and 23 excited Year 9 students set off for France to spend four days in the beautiful Château de Chantereine in Normandy. We had a long but enjoyable journey to reach our destination taking the ferry from Dover to Calais and afterwards stopping at Boulogne to visit Nausicaa, Europe's biggest aquarium. It was a hot day, in fact France's highest ever temperature was recorded in the south of the country and were glad to arrive in time to the Château for food and refreshments. The group tried its hand at climbing and archery after dinner and before heading to bed.

Saturday saw us head directly to the port town of Dieppe to visit a real live French market with all the wonderful treats that it has to offer. We had lunch on Dieppe beach and then headed for Dieppe Castle, which had panoramic views of the town as well as a fascinating (if at times random!) museum. It was

another scorching day so we all headed back to the Château to relax in the beautiful surroundings, some students enjoyed a water fight and others honed their engineering skills in the scrapheap challenge. In the early evening, we walked to Criel-sur-mer beach and had an ice cream; ordering in French of course! There was also time for a paddle in the sea to cool off before heading back to base for dinner and evening activities. Sunday began with a trip to the Hypermarché giving students the chance to pick up some presents for family and then we headed for Rouen, the capital of Normandy, to enjoy a historical and cultural tour of this wonderful town. In the evening students were able to sample frog's legs and snails at dinner, which many found interesting to say the least! Evening activities included the choice of a movie, mini-olympics but the most popular event was the football match against another school from just outside Liverpool, who just shaded it against us in the final score.

Monday was breakfast and then crêpe-making before the journey back to Salesian. All in all, it was a wonderful trip and the children were a credit to the school. Alors à la prochaine fois!

Conor Delaney (Teacher of MFL)

Barcelona Trip

In June, the MFL department ran a very successful residential trip to Spain. 26 Year 9s travelled to Barcelona for 4 days where they had the opportunity to practise their language skills with native speakers. They enjoyed sampling Spanish cuisine, dancing and participating in a variety of activities. They also learned about the history of the country by visiting various sites and monuments such as The Sagrada Familia, Barcelona football stadium, Las Ramblas and AqualLeon Water Park.



Students had to share rooms in chalets, living in this very different environment gave them ample opportunity to develop their interpersonal skills. When you are so far away from home it can be difficult, but all students rose to the occasion. From students' feedback, it was evident that they had a great time and were excited by the range of experiences they were exposed to, by living in a foreign culture. The students behaved very well and managed the whole experience with great maturity. ¡Nos vemos!

Inma Alvarez (Head of Spanish)

Art & Photography

It has been another very exciting year in the Art and Photography department. KS3 has seen the students working on some favourite schemes of work as well as some new areas of study. Portraiture has featured as well as a project based on London. Much of this fine work is now on display around the Guildford Road site. Under the leadership of Miss Baker and Father Marco (her able and very keen apprentice), the KS3 Art Club has gone from strength to strength. Students have

worked in a wide range of media, on a variety of projects. They were given responsibility for designing a mural for the Holy Family School's new garden. Working to create wonderful designs, which are now a great feature of the school's new outdoor space.



Year 8 Artists Emily Spinks and William Nolan, who helped design the mural, were present at the grand opening of the garden by the Bishop on 12th July.

Year 10 students have recently visited Wisley Gardens to gather visual imagery for their Woodland and Natural Form projects. Interesting work is already springing from the outing.

The year ended with two major exhibitions of work. These were fantastic celebration of our students' work. The College exhibition featured Photography and Artwork by our Year 13 students as well as an Open Studio which featured our Year 12 Artists. The work really did look fantastic on the wall.



On 4th July St Patrick's Hall was transformed into an exhibition space for the Art and technology departments. It proved to be a fantastic space to exhibit work and the end of year exhibition at Guildford Road will now become a permanent fixture in the school calendar.



The Year 11 work artwork was really inspiring, at least partly due to the late art sessions and chip butties provided for students, in the run-up to their GCSEs.

Rorie O'Keeffe (Head of Art)

GCSE Design Technology & Art Exhibition

On Thursday 4th July, the Art and Technology Departments hosted an exhibition of GCSE and A-level work in the St. Patrick's Exam Hall. Parents and staff were invited to an event showcasing the incredible talent that our students possess.

Canvases, technical drawings, models, mock-ups, final created designs in full working order, graphic displays and information points were all enjoyed by students, families and staff alike. Refreshments were provided whilst our Food Technology students were generous in displaying and offering a variety of canapes and finger food created by themselves to all who attended.

Fr Marco Villani (Chaplain & Teacher of RE)

Year 10 Food & Preparation



On Tuesday 9th July, the Year 10 Food Preparation and Nutrition class visited Mandira's Kitchen in Albury, Surrey Hills. They received a Spice's Masterclass lesson, an introduction to Indian cooking lesson, learnt how to run a food business and completed a hands on workshop whereby they created some authentic indian curries with side dishes. Mandira said 'It was an absolute privilege to host your lovely class today, please tell them that we thought they were amazing and hopefully they enjoyed it too. See you soon.'

Katie Murphy (KS3 DT Coordinator)

Talk for Change

On Wednesday 10th July, Year 10s attended a Talk For Change in our new St. Patrick's Exam Hall. The key speakers from the Mizen Foundation were Margaret Mizen and her son Danny Mizen, the mother and brother of murdered teenager Jimmy Mizen who was killed in 2008. The first part of the talk was led by Margaret Mizen, who spent time narrating the joy of Jimmy's young life, his untimely death and the impact that this has had on his family and the wider community. Margaret also spoke with passion and conviction and the role of her Catholic Faith in sustaining and comforting her and her family.



The second part of the talk, led by Danny Mizen, picked up on the theme outlined by Margaret, namely; the message of forgiveness, hope and peace for all young people. Our Year 10s heard the message that there are no bad young people, just bad choices. Students were invited to reflect upon this message and the consequences that their actions have on others. This message was also repeated in the afternoon at Highfield Road for the Year 12 students.

Fr Marco Villani (School Chaplain & Teacher of RE)

Bugsy Malone School Production



On 10th and 11th July, students from across Years 7 to 9 presented this year's school musical 'Bugsy Malone'. Sam Clark (Year 8) led the cast in the title role as he pursued the singing hopeful Blousey Brown (Rose Gray Year 8). Bugsy is roped in to help Fat Sam (Niall O'Shea Year 8) who is desperately trying to stop his empire being taken over by the smooth talking gangster Dandy Dan (Ciaran Forbes Year 9). The singing sensation Tallulah (Lorna Chinyani Year 7) tries to get in the way of Blousey's dream trip to Hollywood, whilst the hapless cops Smolsky (Henrique E Silva Year 9) and O'Dreary (Amir Bunce Year 8) desperately search for the stash of splurge guns. Bugsy enlists the help of Cagey Joe (Jamal Tuffour Year 9) to train Leroy (Jacob Flower Year 9) and together they help Fat Sam fight back against Dandy Dan and keep the speakeasy. The cast of over 60 students and the fabulous band

have been rehearsing since April for the show, which was a resounding success and thoroughly enjoyed by all. Congratulations to Miss Cella and Miss Long for directing and Miss Wynter for the musical direction.

Sarah Garbett (Head of Drama)

Celebrating Our Students

Charlotte Norfolk (Year 7) has been amazing in Maths this year. She has led the class in resilience and perseverance in completing challenging tasks. She consistently demonstrates her Salesianity and respect towards others.

Rebecca Jones (Year 8) achieving a Merit in her Grade 3 Piano exam.

Finn Golding (Year 8) has worked his socks off all year and deservedly got the highest in the class in his end of year assessment. Well done Finn!

Salvatore Federico (Year 8) for demonstrating true Salesian spirit throughout the year.

Matthew Armstrong (Year 8) demonstrating resilience all year in Maths. Gaining confidence in his mathematical ability.

All DT students (Year 10) who spent a whole day in tech on their NEA and worked incredibly hard, producing some fab coursework, and the Food group had the morning out on a trip.

Jack Gregory (Year 10) for being chosen to represent Surrey Scouts at the World Scout Jamboree in West Virginia, USA this summer!

Joe Newton (Year 10) is a very good egg. He arrives to tutor every morning and does exactly as he is told with no complaints. He is organised and tries really hard in school Joe is the ultimate Salesian.

Elena George, Marnie Baker, Rhian De Luna, Lucy Reuby, Saria Branson, Holly Thompson, Edward Wrigley, Ashleigh Arundel, Olivia Bassani, Erin Fields (Year 7) Emily Geraghty, Emily Spink, Isabelle Thorpe, Holly Kealy, Amir Bunce, Melissa Hopkins, Alexandra Kurjata, Rebecca Jones, Arjen Grey Oblena, Brent Oba, Lucy Parfitt, Lukas Sinclair, Francesca Holgate, Hollie Driscoll, Margot Sire, Rosie Martin, Millie McLean, Abbey Jones, Lawrence Briggs, Ruby Douet, Nancy Cruickshank (Year 8) Georga Buckley, Sofia Dore, Dylan Huntingford, Claire Young, Amelia Price, Rebecca King, Holly Grammer, Ciara Hearn, Nicola Howie, Isabella Wrigley, Samuel Bethell, Vincent Fulgencio, Molly Lunn, Tippa Tidbury, Maria McRobb-Roldan, Claire Evans, Jessica Fernandes-Hack, Benjamin Fyfe, Zara Pticek, Joshua Punton, Nathalie Tognelli, Eloise Enser, Amy Moloney, Gabriella E Silva, Maria Krzeska, Julia Rodrigues, Daniella Alessi, Anna Bachanska, Emma Stokes (Year 9) for outstanding work throughout the year consistently receiving grade A in Design Technology! Congratulations to these students for being absolute DT superstars!

Sporting News

District Athletics

On 27th June myself and Miss Poulter took 30 students to compete in the District Athletics Championships at Hoe Valley school. Our students competed really well in a number of events, showing stamina, resilience and determination! Rachel Clutterbuck ran the 1500m winning the race by over half a lap. Fred Gannon who despite only starting Hurdles within PE lessons this year finished top 3!

The District athletics is always a very competitive meeting and all athletes should be very proud of their efforts. Overall Salesian came 6th across year groups.

Lisa O'Brien (Head of House, Sports Coach)

Surrey Para Games

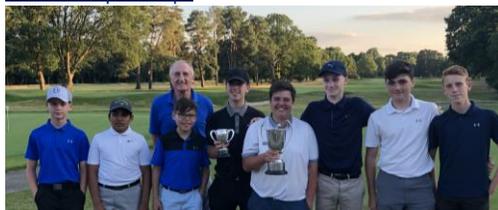
On 4th July, I had the pleasure of taking six of our students to the Surrey Para Games at Charterhouse School. This event was founded by Jeremy Hunt, and despite it being a very busy time for him he came and opened the event alongside two very talented para athletes, Rachel Morris and Chris Carson. Their speeches inspired our students for the day's events.



Our students had the opportunity to take part in three para sports; sitting volleyball, cricket and boccia. It was great to see all of students involved in these sports working together and encouraging one another to be successful. During the day both Owen Taylor and Miss Poulter were interviewed by Active Surrey in order to get some footage for the promotional material for the event. It was a fantastic experience for Owen to be a part of and as expected, he excelled in the task showing the interviewer his bubbly and enthusiastic personality. It truly was an amazing day and the students and I can't wait to attend again next year.

April Poulter (Teacher of PE)

Golf Championships



Our Salesian golf championships were played at the superb West Byfleet Golf Club. Eight boys participated in an 18-hole strokeplay competition for two trophies for the lowest score of the day (Gross) and the best score with club handicaps taken into account (Net). Harry Yule (Year 9) played a magnificent 1 under par round of 69 to win the trophy for the lowest gross score of the day. Charlie Pirini (Year 11) won the Net trophy with a round of 73 (6hcp) 67.

Gross Trophy

1st Harry Yule 69 2nd Charlie Pirini 73 3rd Ben Wilson 75

Net Trophy

1st Charlie Pirini 73/67 2nd Harvey Pitt 90/69 Ben Wilson 75/70

Salesian School would like to thank West Byfleet Golf Club for allowing us to hold their Championship on their outstanding course.

Eric Doherty (Former Deputy Headteacher of 19 years)

Celebrating Our Alumni

If you would like to feature in this section of our newsletter, please contact Joanne Hawkins on jhawkins@salesian.surrey.sch.uk

Tom Lewthwaite



I enjoyed my time at Salesian from 2006 to 2011. I still have long-lasting friendships with Daniel Tognelli and Michael Russell. Without these two, I wouldn't be the person I am today.

My fondest memories at Salesian would be the light-hearted comical videos that our teachers created to start our summer holidays with a smile. This may just have been the spark where I realised that creating

videos can impact people's emotions in one way or another. My time at Salesian taught me to appreciate what friends and family mean to me. It's important to have these special relationships to help, love, care and enjoy each other's time and company. Between my time from leaving Salesian School to now, I have worked on several TV and film productions including Greg Davies' Man Down, Call the Midwife, Goodbye Christopher Robyn and various other works. After graduating from university with a 1st in Film Production, I now run my own video production company, [Bright Production House](http://BrightProductionHouse.co.uk), along with my girlfriend, Hannah. We specialise in creating bespoke and premium Wedding and Promotional videos. We are looking forward to what the future holds.

www.brightproductionhouse.co.uk

Fundraising for Pancreatic Cancer

Our Year 12 students, James Houlton, is completing a 46-mile 'RideLondon' cycle on 4th August in aid of Pancreatic Cancer UK, alongside his mum. To read more and if you are able to support James, please read his fundraising page:

<https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/Team/LindaandJames>

Getting to Know Our Teachers



Karen Tack

Teacher of Maths, ICT & RE

Current position in school

I am currently a teacher of Maths, ICT and RE. During my 9 years at Salesian school, I have also worked as a Cover and Science teacher.

How I got into teaching

Changing career is always daunting. I had previously worked in ICT, but took voluntary redundancy when my second child was born. I finished my degree and then spent a year going into a secondary school, one day a week, as a volunteer in the Maths department. I was also a parent helper at my children's primary school, teaching the students how to cook. This confirmed that I definitely wanted to retrain to become a secondary school teacher. Therefore, when I saw a vacancy for a cover teacher at Salesian school, I applied for it. Over a period of time I was asked to take a Maths and Science class until I finally made the decision to train to be a Maths teacher. It is one of the best decisions I have ever made!

Why I love my job

There are many reasons why I love my job, to name a few: day-to-day variety, continuous learning, and the Salesian community. The most important reason is being part of a student's development throughout their school life.

Salesian Parents Association (SPA)

Thank you to the Salesian School Community for all their support and to the committee who have worked tirelessly to put on amazing events/entertainment this school year. The Spa welcome new members and the first meeting of the new academic year will be on **Monday 23rd September at 7pm in Guildford Road Hall** so please put it in your diary – everyone welcome!

NEXT EVENT

Christmas Shopping Event – 28th November 2019. If you would like to reserve a stall please contact spa@salesian.surrey.sch.uk for a booking form.

STAFFING CHANGES

As always, there are a number of people coming and going at the end of the academic year:

Christine Grindrod is retiring this year having joined the school in 2000. She was latterly promoted to Deputy Headteacher and played a key part in transforming the school during her time on the Leadership Team. Christine has been working as part of the Teaching School team in recent years, supporting the professional development of teachers in the partnership. **Paul Bryce**, joined the school in 2008 as an NQT in the RE Department and went on to teach History and be a Head of Year before being promoted to the Leadership Team and then Deputy Headteacher. Mr Bryce is well known to all not only as our pastoral lead but also as rugby coach, upholder of the faith and informally as "Head of Irish". His contribution to the school over the last 11 years has been immense and he will be sorely missed when he returns to his native Dublin this summer with his family in order to take up the post of Deputy Headmaster at his alma mater, Belvedere College. **Emily O'Farrell** joined the Business Department in 2009 before going on to be promoted to the Leadership Team and leading our Initial Teacher Training provision with *Teach SouthEast*. Mrs O'Farrell has recently been working on secondment, leading business at St Paul's in Sunbury and is joining them on a permanent basis from September. **Russell Line** has been teaching Design Technology at Salesian for the last 9 years and will be remembered for his hard work and passion for the subject. Mr Line is leaving to start his own business. **Karen Tack** joined the school in 2010 as a Cover Teacher before qualifying as a Maths and Computing teacher. Mrs Tack has dedicated herself to the Salesian School community over the last 9 years but is now moving on to get involved with one of our wider community responsibilities as she takes up her new post as Head of Computing at Chertsey High. **Pauline Kilby** is retiring this summer having worked as a cleaner at the school for the last 8 years. Pauline's legendary use of the magic green cloth in the school offices will be much missed! **Jon Hicks** is a former student of the school and has been a member of staff for the last 7 years. Mr Hicks has been promoted to Head of Year 7 at Chertsey High and will be remembered for his teaching in RE and also for his great relationships with children and contribution to the extra-curricular life of the school. **Chris Newman**, our 2nd in English has been promoted to Head of English at Farnham Heath End. Mr Newman joined Salesian as a trainee teacher in 2013 and went on to be promoted to 2nd in English; he has made a significant contribution to the wider life of the school in this time and will be remembered for his enthusiasm, reliability and hard work. **Sophie Crabb**, joined the Art & Photography Department 6 years ago and was latterly promoted to Head of Year. Miss Crabb has made a significant contribution to the extra-curricular life of the school during this time and will be remembered as a good friend by many; she has been promoted to head of art at Chertsey High. **Adam Smith**, another of our former students has been promoted to Head of Computing at St. Andrew's. Mr Smith has been a popular and highly effective teacher of Computing & ICT and Assistant Head of Year here for the last 4 years. **Mike Hayter** joined Salesian as a trainee teacher in Music in 2015 and has during this time played a huge part in the extensive Music provision offered at the school. Mr Hayter has worked part-time at Chertsey High since the school opened and has been promoted to Head of Performing Arts there from September. **Ayo Lisk** who is the Lab Technician at the College is taking up the post of Senior Technician at Chertsey High. **Will Hough** in Science is also joining Chertsey High on a full-time basis. **Andy Pearce** is retiring from the premises team. Congratulations to **Clarissa Limpin** who is getting married and relocating to the south coast. **Natalie Aird** who has taught Science this year is moving to Richard Challoner. **Lara Cadahia** and **Luis Morena** both Teaching Assistants are moving on to take up teaching positions. **Shauna Giltinan** is embarking on teacher training with *Teach SouthEast*. **Faheem Shahin** is returning to university at the end of his internship in Maths. and **Kat Baker** our Art Technician is being seconded to Chertsey High to teach DT & Art.

Congratulations to the following members of staff on their recent promotions: **Kate Honeywood & Clare Forman** who will be joining the Leadership Team as Assistant Headteachers; **Amy Jackson**, Interim Head of English; **Katie Murphy**, Head of Year 8; **Kat McEvoy**, KS3 English Coordinator; **Sophie Ross**, 2nd in Geography; **Steph Hopkins**, Professional Tutor; **Hugh McDowell**, Assistant Head of Year 7; **Jordan Cella**, Assistant Head of Year 8; **Ed Hunt**, Assistant Head of Year 12 & 13; **Niamh Ellison**, Head of Rua House; Lottie Greenwood, Head of Mazzerello

We offer our congratulations and look forward to good news from all the following members of staff who will be going on maternity leave at some point in the coming weeks: **Josie Jeffery**, **Rosie Nagle**, **Cris Mourelle**, **Amy Hunter**, **Vicky Barclay**, **Marissa Milligan**, **Sharon Brockwell**, **Alex Alessi** & **Rebecca Matthews** – there must be something in the water!

Finally, we are delighted to introduce the next crop of great people to join the team this year they are, our NQTs: **Oliver Weedon & Aylise Wyatt-Allen** in Maths; **Alanis Cozens & Ben De Glanville** in Science; **Alice Norkett** in RE; **Elvia Rietveld & Gabriel Kern** in Art; **Niamh Ellison** in English; **Dan Laventure** in PE; **Silvia Milanesi** in MFL; **Lottie Greenwood** in Business; and **Max Goldberg** in Music. Also: **Olly Hamshar**, Assistant Headteacher; **Joe Matthews**, Head of Year 12; **Jodie Taylor**, Head of Year 7; **Sam Young**, KS3 Science Coordinator; **Kamila Katnik** (welcome back!) & **Oliver Davidson** in RE and **Samantha-Jo Wilsher & Daisy Russell** in Social Science. Our new trainee teachers: **Charlotte Corrigan**, Biology; **James Griffin**, Maths; **Estelle Harland**, Drama; **Oksana Medvedeva & Jennifer Owen** in English; **Lisa O'Brien**, PE; **Beata Zielinska**, MFL; **Caspar Lucas** in DT and **Abigail Lamptey**, Media. All our new support staff: **Ellie Collier**, Lab Technician; **Angel Thompson**, Science Intern; **Beth Cheesman**, Apprentice Ed Psych; **Darren Field**, Premises Assistant; **Holly Sears**, Care Assistant; **James Lee**, Cover Teacher and **Emily Wootton**, Art Technician. Please give them the customary Salesian welcome.