

St Andrew the Apostle School Weekly Newsletter



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19 October 2023

Sporting Success – ESFA win for St Andrew!



The Year 10 football team continued their rich vein of form on Monday beating The Coopers` Company and Coborn School from Essex 1-0. Yet again Kyros was in fine form scoring early on during the encounter after good work from Jayden K to win the ball. The team had to defend well for the full 80 minutes against a physically fit and strong side which contained many elite English school`s athletes from a variety of athletic disciplines. The back four of Angel, Jonatan, Daniel and Hendrik showed fantastic concentration levels and did not put a foot wrong for the entire game. The team and supporters voted Theo C player of the match after a string of impressive saves in the second half. The Year 10 team will play Broxbourne School on Monday 30 October in Round 3.

Mr Browell (Head of PE & Head of Year 10)

Year 7 V Finchley Catholic High School

St Andrew`s Year 7 Football Team played Finchley Catholic High School in the County Cup on 16th October. The team put on a gallant display, but unfortunately were beaten by a very impressive opposition. Well done for their effort and tenacity.

Mr Francis (Head of Year 8 & PE Teacher)



Message from the Headteacher

There was a sense of anticipation in the air as our year 10 footballers played their first ever match in the English Schools FA cup. The opposition, Coopers school from Essex, are a large school with a strong sporting reputation and on paper at least our year 10s were the underdogs. Our boys can be really proud of themselves both for the win and for the way in which they conducted themselves. One of the great things about entering new competitions is the chance to make new friends and connections – Coopers were dignified in defeat at the end and their coach has already invited our Year 10s for a return friendly match at their school later in the season.

One of the huge benefits of being part of a trust is that we can draw on resources from the expert advisors in the core GCSE subjects. The ‘walk and talk’ English mock session for all Year 11 pupils, led by Russell Carey, a Senior GCSE Examiner in English, was a wonderful example and the positive response from our Year 11s as they emerged from the sessions was extremely encouraging.

It was pleasing, too, to see so many of our Year 11s and their parents braving the inclement weather to join us at the Sixth Form Open Evening on Wednesday night. They will be the inheritor year group who step into the wonderful new sixth form building when it opens in the Summer of 2025 and we are expecting a bumper crop of talented students joining us next year.

Dr Philip Hills



Upcoming Dates and Information 2023 - 2024

- Monday 30 October – First Day of Term
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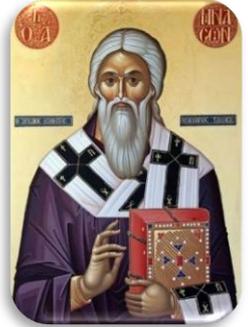
Faith

Mnason was a first-century Cypriot Christian, who is mentioned in chapter 21 of the Acts of the Apostles as offering hospitality to Luke the evangelist, Paul the apostle and their companions, when they travelled from Caesarea to Jerusalem. The wording of the verse that mentions Mnason (Acts 21:16) has prompted debates about whether Mnason accompanied the travellers on their journey or merely provided lodging, and whether his house was in Jerusalem or in a village on the way to Jerusalem.

Like St Paul Mnason began life in the Jewish faith and he is believed to have converted to Christianity at the first Pentecost. Although only mentioned in one verse, many Christians have drawn lessons from the example of Mnason about persevering in the Christian faith and the exercise of hospitality.

In John Bunyan's classic allegorical work *The Pilgrim's Progress*, the pilgrims stay in the house of a Mr. Mnason, who is named after the Biblical figure.

At a time of huge upheaval in the Middle East including within Jerusalem itself, St Mnason is a reminder of the virtues of hospitality and kindness.



Sixth Form Open Evening

It was so wonderful to see many of the Year 11s and their parents at the Sixth Form Open Evening. The night was led by our headteacher and head of Sixth Form Mrs Bicarregui, who outlined the pathways to Oxford and other leading universities available to our students. Thank you to all the parents, students and staff who made it such a positive evening!



Half term Activities



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Extra Curricular Clubs Timetable Autumn Term

	Lunchtime	After school
Monday		All Years Dodgeball (3 – 4pm) KS3 (Y7 - Y9) STEM Club – SC4 (3.05 – 3.45pm) Homework Club – ICT1 (3 - 3.50pm)
Tuesday	Y7 and Y8 Drama Club - DR1 (12.50 – 1.20pm) Strategy Club: Chess, Connect 4, Backgammon, Card Games – MA3 (12.35 – 1.10pm)	Homework Club – ICT1 (3 - 3.50pm)
Wednesday	Y9 Drama Club - DR1 (12.50 – 1.20pm) Strategy Club: Chess, Connect 4, Backgammon, Card Games – MA3 (12.35 – 1.10pm)	Dance - B5 Changing Rooms (3 – 4.30pm) Art Club – Art1 Sign Up Only (3 – 4pm) Homework Club – ICT1 (3 - 3.50pm) All Years Basketball – B5 Changing Rooms (3 – 4pm)
Thursday		Netball - B5 Changing Rooms (3 – 4pm) Choir – MU1 (3 - 3.50pm) Homework Club – ICT1 (3 - 3.50pm)
Friday	Guitar Club - MU1 (12.35 – 1.20pm) MFL Speaking Club – CR11 (12.35 – 1pm) A Level girl Club – EN6 (12.35 – 1.15pm) Apostle News Writing Group (12.35 – 1.15pm)	Homework Club – ICT1 (3 - 3.50pm)