



Autumn mid term newsletter Welcome from the Headmaster



Dear Parents

I am delighted to enclose with this newsletter a copy of our Additional Information Booklet for 2011/12 and the Enrichment programmes for the whole school and for the Co-educational Sixth Form. You will see that the range of opportunities we provide for our students in both the lower and upper school is varied and extensive. I thank the staff who freely give of their time and expertise to facilitate these enrichment opportunities for our young people.

Enclosed with this newsletter is a flyer from the PTA providing information about the Christmas Market. I encourage you to come along with friends and family to the annual Christmas Market as it is a wonderful festive event to be enjoyed by all. This year, the PTA raffle will be drawn at the Festival of Readings and Carols on Wednesday 14 December. 1st Prize - £500, 2nd Prize - £100 Ticketmaster Voucher, 3rd Prize - Off-road Driving Experience - plus many more prizes.

May I draw your attention to the College website where you can find details of College Policies of which all parents must be aware.

The first half of the Autumn Term has been very busy but rewarding. I hope that all students will enjoy a refreshing half term holiday. We wish the ten Upper Sixth students who leave for New York on Monday 24 October a safe and enjoyable trip. We look forward to visiting the Salesian High School in the Bronx and to welcoming them to Farnborough in February.

Patrick A Wilson

Year 9 trip to Marwell Zoo



On Thursday 22 September, the whole of Year 9 spent an enjoyable and productive day at Marwell Zoo as part of their Biology course.

They took part in workshops on Conservation and completed a Threatened Species trail. The weather was warm and sunny which added to the enjoyment of the day out.

Messages for Parents

Emergency Medication

It is very important that any student carrying emergency medication must NOT leave it in their bag. Medication for an emergency must be carried with the student at all times or be given to Reception.

School Meals

Please note that any student found to be having a school lunch which has not been ordered or paid for, will be invoiced for the cost of a full term of lunches.

Uniform and Appearance

As the weather starts to get colder, a reminder that jackets and coats must not have large logos and must be a plain dark colour.

Uniform Shop

The next uniform sale will be held on Saturday 26 November from 9.30 to 11.30am in the Uniform Shop which is in the Foley Building beside the refectory serving area. The uniform shop sells good quality second hand sports wear, lab coats as well as the main uniform. Donations are always welcome and can be left at Reception.

Lost Property

Students who have lost property should come to Reception on Fridays from 1.00 to 1.20pm to look through the lost property box.

Little Shop of Horrors DVD

There are still some copies of the Little Shop of Horrors DVD available for purchase. Copies are available from Reception at a cost of £10.

Sightsavers Walk

This year's sponsored Sightsavers walk will take place on Sunday 4 December at 10am. This is a great family day out and those interested in participating should speak to Mr Gore.

Parking and Driving

We have received a complaint from a local resident that people are parking across driveways and speeding on local roads, in particular Windsor Road. Please can I ask you to be considerate to local residents when parking.

College Events Visit from Dreampark Theatre Company

On Tuesday 27 September the Dreampark Theatre Company came to Salesian College to perform *Nous Pouvons Vous Aider*, a play in French about the environment.

All Year 8 and Year 9 students participated in and thoroughly enjoyed this lively and polished production which will tour schools in the UK for the next two weeks.



£900 raised at PTA Quiz Night



On Saturday the 24 September, the Salesian PTA held the first of two quizzes to take place this year. One of the aims of the first quiz was to allow as many new Year 7 parents as possible to experience the social side of school life provided by the PTA.

The event itself was very successful with 240 players spread over 27 teams with around one third of the participants being Salesian children. The second aim of the quiz was for it to be a family event. This was in fact so successful that many of the 27 teams were amalgamations of

different family teams, some of whom had never met before the evening itself. Well done to those teams!

The winners were the "Curry Masters"; well done to them and also to the teachers' team for coming a close second. We would like to offer our thanks to everyone who took part in the quiz, everyone who helped set up and take down, and to the children and pupils who contributed enormously to the efficient running of the event on the night. A particular mention to our excellent quiz master Mr Crean for creating such an enjoyable quiz. The PTA are delighted that the event raised £900 profit on the night to go towards future school projects. **The date for the quiz in the New Year has been changed from January 21st to February 4th 2012, so put it in your diary!**

Salesian success in Worldwise Quiz



On Wednesday 28 September, two teams of three Salesian students competed in the Geographical Association's 'Worldwise' quiz.

The Year 11 students all performed with distinction. They managed to come first and second, despite stiff competition from Tomlinscote, Calthorpe Park and Fernhill students.

'Team Reem' (James Astles, Edward Whorwood and Jordan Maxwell) took first place, thanks to an impressive performance in the last round. James Astles ability to beat the opposition to the buzzer was crucial in a tight finish.

Team 'Casino Royle' (Cameron Royle, Oliver Dunkley and William Davidson) gelled superbly together to claim second place.

Congratulations to all the students who took part and we look forward to next year's event, when Salesian will be looking to make it four wins in a row!

Lower Sixth Leadership Weekend

Salesian education is all about spending time with young people. Therefore, time spent raft building, rock climbing, orienteering and putting on impromptu comedy acts is all a part of this process. On Friday 30 September, all members of the Lower Sixth and staff enjoyed a fantastic weekend in the Brecon Beacons in Wales at the very comfortable setting of Tregoyd House. The weekend also focussed on leadership activities and team building. All staff who attended were extremely impressed with our new Lower Sixth and very much enjoyed their company.



College Events

St Hugh's Charity Run



On Thursday 6 October, St Hugh's students took part in a sponsored run for Big Roma FC, part of the Share the Light project. A huge thank you to all of you who participated in the run and/or sponsored St Hugh's students. A wonderful £1580 was raised for a very worthy Salesian cause. Well done!

Salesian College 5-a-side Football Tournament

On Wednesday 28 September, the annual 5-a-side football tournament took place at the College Playing Fields. This year, 13 primary schools took part in the tournament including - St Augustine's Catholic Primary School, Hawley Place, Elvetham Heath Primary School, South Farnborough Junior School, Lyndhurst School, St Polycarp's Catholic Primary School, Cranmore School, South Farnham School, The Grey House School, Alton Convent, Ravenscote Junior School, Hammon School and LVS .

The final between South Farnborough Junior School and Hammond School turned out to be a tight and fascinating game. There was some fantastic football on show in the final and Hammond School went on to win 2-1.

Well done to all schools that participated in this enjoyable tournament.



Hamish Dustagheer Piano Recital in aid of the Phyllis Tuckwell Hospice



On Friday 23 September, the outstanding young pianist and former student Hamish Dustagheer gave an amazing piano recital at the College in aid of the Phyllis Tuckwell Hospice.

The evening was a wonderful event with works including Bach, Mendelssohn and Dohnányi. The retiring collection from the evening together with the proceeds from a CD which was a recording of the evening's recital raised almost £2,000 for the Hospice.

In 2010, Hamish was a winner of the Jacques Samuel Piano Competition, playing in the prize winners' recital concert at London's Wigmore Hall. In the same year, he played Rachmaninov's Second Piano Concerto at the Cadogan Hall in London with the Junior Trinity Symphony Orchestra. Hamish currently studies at the Royal College of Music with the well-known concert pianist, Gordon Fergus-Thompson. Hamish's latest commissioned composition, a work for wind orchestra, will receive its premier in the summer in Germany at the European Youth Music Week.

**Congratulations to the following students on their achievements this term:
Young Enterprise**



Young Enterprise is a fantastic way to appreciate the workings of a real business. For students to gain their OCR Level 2 Certificates for Young Enterprise 2010/11, they were required to take part in the 'Company Programme' and to sit an end of year examination. The following students all attained a pass, merit or distinction - Evelyn Ball, Thomas Booth, James Coles, Jonathan Ellis, William Gallagher, Shaan Joshi, Declan Wagstaff and Rebecca Wilson.

The students clearly enjoyed the programme of events and worked hard as a team to produce some good products that sold very well. They now have an internationally recognisable qualification on their personal statements, that will strengthen their university applications.

Well done to all students who took part and to Mr David Good, Head of Economics.

Year 9 LAMDA Examination Certificates



Music Awards



St Aidan's win Years 7 - 11 Inter-House Cross Country



Summer Photography Competition



Church Design in Religious Studies

Achievement in Maths



Form Captains 2011-2012



U14 Camberley Rugby Tournament Winners, October 2011



U12 Camberley Rugby Tournament Winners, October 2011



Aldershot and District Schools' Cricket League Winners, 2011

Final played at Rowledge Cricket Club in September 2011



Diary Dates

Monday 31 October	Term re-starts at 8.40am
Friday 4 November	Prize Night
Friday 11 November	Mass of Remembrance, 10am in the College Hall. All parents warmly welcome
Thursday 24 November	PTA Christmas Market, 7pm in the College Hall - Parents, students, family & friends welcome
Saturday 26 November	Uniform Shop open 9.30 to 11.30am
Friday 2 December	Performing Arts Evening, 7.30pm in the College Hall. All parents warmly welcome
Sunday 4 December	Sponsored walk for Sightsavers International
Thursday 8 December	Mass to celebrate the Feast of Immaculate Conception, 11.30am. Parents warmly welcome
Wednesday 14 December	Festival of Readings and Carols, 7.30pm in the College Hall. All parents warmly welcome
Thursday 15 December	Carol Service, 11am in the College Hall. All parents warmly welcome
Thursday 15 December	Term ends at 12.35pm for students and 2.30pm for staff
Thursday 5 January	Spring Term begins for staff (no pupils in school)
Friday 6 January	Staff Development Day (No pupils in school)
Friday 6 January	Entrance Exam
Monday 9 January	Term starts for whole school