

September 2018

Next Open Day
Saturday 22nd September
10am to 1pm

Dear Parents and Pupils,

I am truly delighted to welcome you all back for a wonderful Michaelmas Term , especially our new pupils and their families!

What an amazing way to start, basking in the joy of our record GCSE results. I am so proud of our pupils and dedicated teachers! Thank you to you all!

We look forward to seeing you all soon at our Harvest Festival and then of course Prize Giving and our many Christmas events.

Have a marvellous term.



Kindest wishes

Mrs F S Armour, Headmistress

Amazing GCSE results for St John's Pupils

In a year where the reformed GCSEs are far more challenging, St John's School pupils have achieved amazing results in their GCSE exams. The Year 11 pupils have excelled with 93% of exams awarded at A* to C grade.

The GCSE syllabuses have been made more demanding under the supervision of the Department for Education and coursework has been replaced by final exams in all subjects. Additionally, the GCSE grading scale has been changed from alphabetical to numerical. A grade 4 is the equivalent of a C, a grade 7 is the equivalent of an A, and a grade 8 is the equivalent of an A*. An extra top grade (9) has been added in order to identify the most able pupils. Our wonderful pupils achieved 11 of these grades in subjects including French, Biology, English Language, English Literature and History.

Overall, 96% of St John's School pupils achieved 5 or more A* to C and 24% of all grades were awarded A* and A grades. This is a fantastic result for the pupils and demonstrates how hard they have worked throughout their time at St John's. As well as a full timetable, the pupils also attended additional revision sessions at lunch time and their efforts have certainly been rewarded.

One of the top performing pupils achieved an impressive four grade 9s, three grade 8/A* and three grade 7/A with several other pupils scoring similarly with all grades awarded at 6/B or above.



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Sports Ambassador

One of our Year 10 pupils has been awarded a Sports Ambassador Award by Chelmsford City Council. Alex was awarded the certificate by the Mayor of Chelmsford, Yvonne Spence. The award was in recognition of Alex's hard work, determination and success in Figure Skating.

Alex is currently working to achieve his Level 9 (Junior Men) qualification in Ice skating and recently competed at Lee Valley at Level 8 and was placed second. At the end of last year Alex qualified and skated at the British Figure Skating Championships.



Staff Changes

Miss Raynard is now Head of Modern Foreign Languages and we welcome Mrs Pine who is joining our Language Department and is also a Year 7 Form Tutor. We also welcome Mrs Wood and Mrs Vaughn who have started as Learning Support Assistants.

Diary Dates Michaelmas Term 2018

Friday 14 th September	KARATE BEGINS
Mon 17 th September	INDIVIDUAL MUSIC LESSONS BEGIN
Mon 17 th September	IN-HOUSE CLUBS BEGIN
Weds 19 th September	UPPER 5 GEOGRAPHY FIELD TRIP TO FLATFORD MILL
Sat 22 nd September	OPEN DAY 10AM to 1PM
Tues 25 th September	UPPER 5 PARENTS EVENING
	UPPER 5 BIOLOGY TRIP TO HANNINGFIELD RESERVOIR
Thurs 27 th September	UPPER 2 SEALIFE CENTRE TRIP

Who to Contact

Child Absence

Absence Line

☎ 01277 623070 (press option 3)

✉ office@stjohnsschool.net

Please state your child's name, form and reason for absence.

Fee Queries

Mrs Truscott, Assistant Bursar

☎ 01277 623070 (press option 2)

✉ finance@stjohnsschool.net

Admissions

Mrs Cox, Admissions Registrar

☎ 01277 623070 (press option 1)

✉ registrar@stjohnsschool.net