

## Dear Parents and Carers

I am incredibly proud of our Year 11 and 13 students who have handled the first two weeks of their exams with great maturity and determination. After half term, there will be a further two weeks of exams left for the majority and we wish all of our students the best of luck as they embark on the next stage of their educational futures.

You will remember last month I mentioned that it was approaching six months since our Ofsted inspection and we may have to take legal action if our complaint to Ofsted was not thoroughly considered. As an update we have now gone beyond six months and have entered into legal proceedings as we feel Ofsted have not taken on board our complaint about the whole process. Hopefully we will be able to put the whole episode behind us before the summer holidays.

Next half term, the remaining students in Year 7 to Year 10 will have end of year exams which will inform the groups students go into next year, so please support us at home by encouraging your child to revise when they receive an exam timetable. There will of course be the usual reward trips to look forward to as we bring the year to an end.

Have a wonderful half term break – for once it looks like we might be blessed with warm weather!

**Liz Furber**  
Executive Principal

## Dear Parents and Carers

One of the enduring images of the past few weeks has been that of the former rugby league player, Kevin Sinfield, pushing his friend, Rob Burrow (who has MND), in a wheelchair around the 26 miles of a marathon course.

Just before the finish line, Kevin stopped, picked Rob out of his wheelchair and carried his fragile body over the finish line. The visual imagery of what true friendship is about was remarkable. It reminded me of the poem, Footprints in the Sand:

*One night I dreamed a dream.  
As I was walking along the beach with my Lord.  
Across the dark sky flashed scenes from my life.  
For each scene, I noticed two sets of footprints in the sand,  
One belonging to me and one to my Lord.  
After the last scene of my life flashed before me,  
I looked back at the footprints in the sand.  
I noticed that at many times along the path of my life,  
especially at the very lowest and saddest times,  
there was only one set of footprints.  
This really troubled me, so I asked the Lord about it.  
"Lord, you said once I decided to follow you,  
You'd walk with me all the way.  
But I noticed that during the saddest and most troublesome  
times of my life,  
there was only one set of footprints.  
I don't understand why, when I needed You the most, You would  
leave me."  
He whispered, "My precious child, I love you and will never leave  
you  
Never, ever, during your trials and testings.  
When you saw only one set of footprints,  
It was then that I carried you."*

There are times in all our lives when we come to rely on the support of a close friend, but there are also times when we perhaps call on God for that support. None of us should ever be afraid to ask for help in times of need.

Best wishes

**David Fraser**  
Chair of Governors

## School Transport

If you require school transport for your child in September, Central Beds Council have asked us to remind parents/carers to apply as soon as possible, even though the deadline for under 16s has passed. The deadline for Post-16 applications is 15th July. Students will not be permitted to use the buses if they do not have a pass.

If you have any questions, please contact the School Transport Team on 0300 300 8339.

## Water Bottles

Now that the warmer weather is approaching, please encourage your child to bring a refillable water bottle to school with them so that they can stay hydrated. These do not have to be one bought specifically for this purpose, but can be an empty bottle from a drink they have had earlier in the day, just something with a lid that can be refilled.

We sell refillable bottles at Student Reception for just £1.

## Looking Ahead

**29th May**  
Half Term

**7th June**  
Y6 into Y7 Welcome Evening

**8th June**  
SEND Coffee Morning

**14th June**  
Y9 Parents' Evening

**19th June**  
SEND Day

**21st June (revised date)**  
Y11 Leavers' Assembly

**28th June**  
Y8 Parents' Evening

**5th July**  
Y7 Parents' Evening

**6th July**  
Y11 Prom



**FLITWICK'S  
SCARECROW  
FESTIVAL**

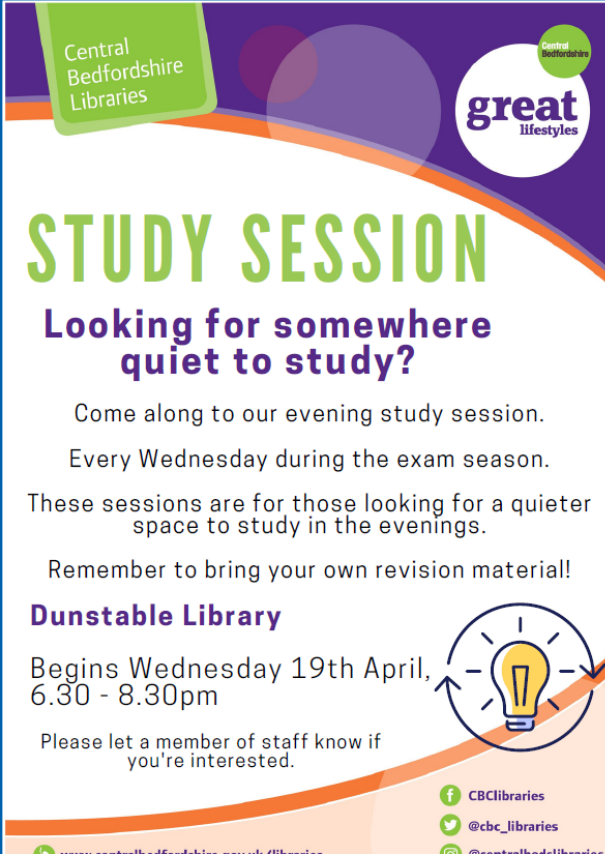
**FREE  
ENTRY**

**THEME:**  
**Children's  
Books**

**DISPLAY  
YOUR SCARECROW  
FROM  
SATURDAY 1st JULY  
TO  
SUNDAY 26th JULY**

Scarecrows can be BIG or SMALL,  
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## STUDY SESSION

### Looking for somewhere quiet to study?

Come along to our evening study session.  
Every Wednesday during the exam season.  
These sessions are for those looking for a quieter  
space to study in the evenings.  
Remember to bring your own revision material!

**Dunstable Library**

Begins Wednesday 19th April,  
6.30 - 8.30pm

Please let a member of staff know if  
you're interested.

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## From the Chaplain

**"Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the celebration. John 2:2**

Many of the articles I write come from a general perspective that things are not as good as they might be, for whatever reason, and that we can tap into God to enable us to help us overcome a problem or situation. It would, however, be very wrong to assume that Christianity is only about overcoming problems and difficulties. We read of numerous places in the Bible that God is generous and personal and has an abundance of gifts and good things for people to enjoy!



Therefore, what better way to remind ourselves what God feels about good times and celebrations than to recall the passage where Jesus and his disciples were invited to a wedding celebration.

Admittedly, Christianity can sometimes be portrayed as being dull, boring, uninteresting, uninspiring and grey. In actual fact, it should be the very opposite - Jesus himself was none of those things. And here He is, with His friends, and a problem occurs because the host has run of wine. For a wedding celebration in the 1st Century Middle East, this was both embarrassing and a disaster, for weddings were very much a whole community occasion which lasted for many days. And we might think that Jesus, being a good Jew, would think something along the lines of; well there you go, you have had plenty to drink already, let us just go home and get on with our lives.

But, no! Here is Jesus performing His first recorded miracle when He turns the water into wine! He does not tell people to stop celebrating but actually provides what is required to keep it going! Just to be clear, Jesus is not



advocating getting completely drunk here - there are plenty of other occasions where Jesus talks about personal responsibility and the dangers that occur when people drink too much. But Jesus is certainly very supportive of having a good time! At the time of writing, many of us are hoping that Luton Town FC will be celebrating a Wembley win in the play-offs and promotion to the Premier League.

So when we might have something to celebrate, do not exclude God from being part of those celebrations. Through Jesus, He has proved that He likes a good party! Maybe that might be something worth reflecting on.

## Prayer:

Dear Lord,

Thank You for All Saints Academy and for the opportunity it provides for students to learn, grow and develop. Please help everyone connected to All Saints, staff and students, parents and carers, to support each other so that all in our community can achieve today and in the future.

In all our work, help us to act with responsibility.

In all our relationships, help us to care for others with compassion and respect.

In our lives, help us to grow in understanding and faith in You.

We pray all these things in Jesus' name,

Amen.



**Rev. Tim Davis: School Chaplain**

Ps. I have a new stock of Helpfinder Bibles if anyone would like one. Please just ask, either in person, or email me at [revd.timdavis@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:revd.timdavis@yahoo.co.uk) as they are available as a free gift to you.

## Academic Calendar - 2022/2023

School Holiday

Bank Holiday

Pupil Day

Training Day

September 2022							October 2022							November 2022							December 2022								
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