



Dear Parents/Guardian

As I write this I am enjoying the main delight we all enjoy on Sports Day, heavy rain. Despite the rain, however the day is progressing well. This week it has been great to have the Lower Sixth fully back with us and it is wonderful to see the new student leaders of the school taking an active role around the college.

A large number of students and dedicated staff have braved the elements this week to complete their final expedition for the Duke of Edinburgh award Bronze and I am sure that many of the boys involved will be looking to emulate both this year's upper and lower sixth where numbers for Gold award are in the 30s.

Specific praise goes this week to Year 10 student Joseph Haddad for his selfless and quick thinking attitude that won him a commendation from the Stockport Police Force when he was confronted by a very serious road traffic accident unfolding around him.

'But let us do ever so little for God, we will be sure He will never forget it, nor let it pass unrewarded.' Blessed Edmund Rice.

God Bless

Yours faithfully
J M Keulemans
Principal



Saint Ambrose College



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PMX

We have transferred to the new updated ParentMail system called 'PMX'. Please ensure that you verify your account on the link provided to you via email or mobile. Once you have verified, please note the new login link:

<https://pmx.parentmail.co.uk/#core/login>

[Email queries: pmx.migration@parentmail.co.uk](mailto:pmx.migration@parentmail.co.uk)

Invitation to Parents and Family

Musical Evening 29 June 2016 from 7.00 pm with refreshments.

Please book your tickets by asap for catering purposes.

Tickets only £3.50 on sale via PMX. Thank you for your support.

Calendar Items

Sports Day 24/6/16 (students)

Musical Evening 29/6/16 (students, parents and families)

Sponsored Walk 1/7/16 (students)

Open Morning 2/7/16 (New Intake 2017)

French Theme Day 4/7/16 (students)

1-4 year full reports to be posted by 6/7/16

End of Term 8/7/16 2016 12.30 pm

Pastoral concerns email: pastoralsupport@st-ambrosecollege.org.uk

Sport Fixtures/Scores: <http://www.schoolssports.com/School/?id=332>

Exam Information: <http://www.st-ambrosecollege.org.uk/1272/info/examination-information/>

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Update on 1st Year Cooking

We have been holding our own Bake Off for the First Year. Our second group of boys are now nearing the end of their time in the kitchen and have chosen their competition dishes as a group.

During the competition lesson they have produced their own variant of this dish and been assessed for organisation, food hygiene and execution as well as the final look and taste of the dish. So far we have had some excellent attempts at tasty cookies and cakes.

All the boys are to be commended for their efforts.

Mrs Alford





Model Citizen Award

Model citizen Joseph Haddad has won a police award for bravery and citizenship after a near fatal car accident left him shaken but not stirred.

The 15-year-old St. Ambrose College GCSE student was standing at the bus stop on Cheadle Road in Cheadle Hulme near to where he lives at 7.40 am on Thursday May 19 waiting for his school bus to take him into the Catholic grammar school in Hale Barns.

PC Simon Toft of the Greater Manchester Police based at Stockport, who with Special Constable Andrew Rose was the first police officer on the scene, said: “When we got there I was amazed no one had been seriously hurt. The road sign had been demolished and there was a lot of damage. Those people on the spot praised Joseph for his quick thinking and told me what he had done and I have to say he did exactly the right thing and very quickly.

“When I went to interview him at St. Ambrose, I was very impressed by his statement and have to say in 10 years of policing I have not come across a more impressive young man, which was why I recommended him for a commendation.”

Superintendent Jo Rogerson of the GMP, but also based at Stockport, said: “Joseph's response was amazing, despite danger to himself and the impact of the collision he reacted immediately to help the lady and I am delighted to be able to recognise his public spirited response with this commendation.”

He added: “I am honoured to receive this award and am thankful to the Police but I am a surprised as I just did what was needed at the time and didn't really think too much about it.”

Principal of St. Ambrose College, Mr Keulemans. “I am very grateful for the Police to give of their time and make a special effort to honour Joseph for his model citizenship. We know what a fine young man he is and expect him to continue to do well in the future and always be a public spirited individual.”





Edmund Rice International Conference Birkenhead

Today saw the annual gathering of outgoing and incoming Youth Ambassadors at St Anselm's College, Birkenhead; St Anselm's College is one of seven Edmund Rice secondary schools in England.

By kind permission of the Principal, attending the day were Max Ashton (Youth Ambassador) and fellow ERI group member, George Pitt. Both Sixth Formers listened intently to the outlining of the global campaign for 2016/2017: Caritas's 'HAART for Children' campaign aimed at lobbying governments for the implementation of basic testing of pregnant women for HIV/AIDS. George and Max also listened to the experiences of a number of asylum seekers and took detailed notes to help with the penning of a ground breaking book on the plight of refugees in the UK that our ERI group are working on in conjunction with the Edmund Rice England Office. Watch this space...



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Water Polo

English Schools U15 Water Polo Plate Final

Congratulations to our U15 Water Polo team on making the plate final . This is their first major final. We travelled down to Oundle School in Peterborough for the weekend. They were up against some strong opposition Brentwood, City of London, Whitgift, Warwick and Stowe.

The boys played amazing, finishing in bronze position, just missing out on silver losing 4-5 against City of London. Their hard work has finally paid off in the pool. A big well done to Joshua Thompson, Connor Lambe, James Bennett, Patrick Lang, Kieran Lloyd, Patrick Brookes Maher, Ciaran Byrne, Nick Hoekstra and Tom Nanda. Many thanks for Miss McCrory for travelling down with the team she is now a big Water Polo fan as well as a United fan.

Very proud!

Mrs Chandler

