



PARENTS' WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

GREAT YOUNG PEOPLE, DOING GREAT THINGS

8 NOVEMBER 2024



UPCOMING EVENTS

PD DROP DOWN DAY 2
WED 13 NOVEMBER

DANNY ELFMAN VISIT
FRI 15 NOVEMBER

Choristers in Cologne Cathedral.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Our recent visit to Cologne was a truly remarkable and enriching experience. The highlight was the collaborative performance of Mozart's Requiem in some of Cologne's most iconic venues, including the world-famous Cologne Cathedral. The performances took place in several historic and architecturally stunning locations. The Cologne Cathedral (Kölner Dom), a symbol of the city and a UNESCO World Heritage Site, was the centrepiece of our musical journey. We also performed at St. Gereon's Basilica and St. Maria im Kapitol, each offering a unique atmosphere and remarkable acoustics that enhanced our performances.

A particularly special aspect of the trip was the presence of Father Tony from the Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral. His attendance added a meaningful spiritual dimension to the event, as he offered support and encouragement to the choir. His presence also underscored the strong links between our schools and the wider Catholic community, highlighting the importance of faith in our shared musical journey.

A standout feature of the trip was the collaboration with the Liverpool Anglican Cathedral Choir and the Cologne Choir. Together, we delivered a plethora of classical choral music. The combined talent of the three choirs, supported by a skilled orchestra, created an unforgettable musical experience.

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The pupils' performances were nothing short of outstanding. They exemplified the five keys of being Edwardians:

- Work hard: Their commitment to rehearsals and the final performances was exemplary, showing discipline and dedication throughout.
- Join in: Every pupil fully embraced the collaborative nature of the trip, engaging with their peers and the other choirs with enthusiasm and positivity.
- Grow in faith: Performing in such spiritual and historic venues, especially with Father Tony's support, provided a unique opportunity for personal and collective reflection, deepening their understanding of faith through music.
- Treat others well: The pupils conducted themselves with kindness and respect, building meaningful connections with both the Liverpool and Cologne choirs.
- Be proud: They represented Runnymede St Edward's and St Edward's College with great pride, showcasing their talent and embodying the values that make our community so special.

The cultural capital they gained from this trip will undoubtedly leave a lasting impression.



PUPILS WITH EXCEPTIONAL POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR THIS WEEK

Well done to the following pupils that have earned the most positive points out of their year group this week.

Special congratulations to **Libby M** in Year 9 for gaining the most positive points out of the school.

Rank	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
1	Cosima T	Jemima B	Libby M	Joseph P	Tom M
2	Ella C	Anthony H-D	Evie D	Jude R	Isaac C
3	Emma G	Alex K	Matthew H-E	Freya H	Lucas K
4	Penelope H	Dillon M	Milo W	Sophie-Leigh M	Reuben A
5	Bridget S	Samuel S	Daniel A	Shiven R	Joshua A
6	Jack B-S	Maria T	Kitty B	Lydia B	Mark A
7	Gabriella B	Eromonsel e E	Kieran C	Ben C	Aidan C
8	Sonny B	Emmauella E	Rose H	Samuel E	Annelie F
9	Christina C	Amelia G	Patrick M	Ginevra LG	Nicole G
10	Alleine C	Arthur H	Nathaniel M	Jessica H	Archie H



November Events with FOSEC

November will see the FOSEC team getting ready to decorate the school tree and preparing for what promises to be one of the year's most anticipated events—our Winter Ball!

Winter Ball Tickets

Don't miss out—tickets sell quickly and are already available for £30 each. Follow the link to secure your spot: www.friendsofstedwardscollege.co.uk

It's a lovely evening and a chance to dress up in your finest, dust off your dancing shoes, and enjoy:

- Welcome drinks in the College Hall
- A three-course festive dinner
- Dancing and festivities

Raffle Donations

We will also have a raffle on the night. Anyone able to donate a prize would be most welcome! Please email Elizabeth.murphy@sky.com if you can contribute.

Volunteers Needed

These events take a lot of preparation, and we welcome any help! If you're available to assist with decorating the tree or preparing the room on 28 or 29 November, please get in touch with Liz.

Thank you to everyone who continues to support our events—we couldn't do it without you. All funds raised go directly back into the school to support our children.

ST EDWARD'S GOT TALENT - BE PROUD

The anticipated St Edward's Got Talent is back! This year hosted by Miss McCloskey and Miss Wood - all pupils and students are encouraged to join in showcasing their talents.

If your child is interested in participating please **check EduLink** for a form to audition.

Deadline for expressing interest in auditioning is Friday 15 November. All talents are welcome from singing, dancing, comedy, magic etc.

If you have any questions please email [Miss McCloskey](#) or [Miss Wood](#)!



MILANKOVITCH WOODLAND TRAIL - TREAT OTHERS WELL, JOIN IN

On Saturday 26 October, 25 Year 12 students, College staff and their families spent the morning litter-picking, re-wilding and spreading wood chippings on the Milankovitch Woodland Trail.

It was a brilliant effort by our college community! Our forest walk will soon be open for all students to enjoy both academically and pastorally and will massively benefit the health and well-being of students and staff.



SIXTH FORM STUDENT COMPETES IN CANOEPOLO IN CHINA - BE PROUD, WORK HARD

Before the half-term break, Emmy-Lou (3) in Year 13 travelled to China where she competed in the ICF Canoe polo World Championships. She was away for 2 weeks and placed 5th overall. A wonderful achievement, well done Emmy-Lou!



NORTHERN CROSS COUNTRY SUCCESS - BE PROUD

Max and Bobby competed in Nottingham last Saturday for the English National Cross Country Relay Championships. There were 70 teams and over 180 of the best young athletes in the country. The boys managed to secure Silver position.

Well done Max and Bobby!



YEAR 8 ATHLETE SUCCESS - BE PROUD

Esmé C in Year 8 came 1st in the U13 Ulster Championship in Northern Island last Saturday 2 November. Congratulations Esmé!



ST CECILIA CHORAL CONCERT - BE PROUD

Tickets for the St Cecilia Choral Concert are now on sale!

The concert will be held in the Cathedral Crypt, featuring performances from Junior Choir, Senior Choir, Chamber Choir, Consort and some of our most outstanding soloists.

Get your tickets here:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/st-cecilia-choral-concert-tickets-1047859214117?aff=oddtcreator>



DAILY PRAYER IN THE COLLEGE - GROW IN FAITH

Please click the link below to see how the school has prayed during this week; every lesson at 0840 daily begins with this common prayer. Please do select a day to read reflectively and prayerfully, entering in to prayerful solidarity with the school family.

[Daily Prayer in the College](#)



COMING UP

On Sunday, the College choirs will be singing in the Remembrance Service at St George's Hall. All are welcome to attend.

On Monday morning we will observe a two minute silence in honour of the fallen. Please can you make your children aware that due to the timings of our day, the two minute silence will be from 10:43am - 10:45am.

Wishing you a pleasant weekend,

Lee Fabia

Principal

Be proud
Join in
Grow in faith
Treat people well
Work hard