

ST REGIS ACADEMY

NEWSLETTER

11th October 2024



MESSAGE FROM MR PARRY

We had the pleasure of opening our doors to many families this week for our Open Evening at St Regis. The site looked amazing and we had many current students on site as volunteers, offering a range of exciting activities. The feedback from families was incredibly positive and it was lovely to show off the wonderful work we do here at St Regis day-in, day-out. Tomorrow morning is our Open Morning and we again look forward to having many families on site to showcase the work we are very proud of. If you have not signed up for the event, you are still more than welcome to join us.

This week we have had a group of students on a Duke of Edinburgh expedition, alongside our colleagues from St Peter's Academy. We strongly support the work of the Duke of Edinburgh Award here at St Regis as part of our Outdoor Education offer, which is something we are passionate about. The students have had a wonderful time, walking many miles across the countryside and camping in remote locations for 2 nights. Last night they had an impressive showing of the Northern Lights from their campsite which is a once-in-a-lifetime experience!

Today we have large number of Sixth Form students at a University and Apprenticeship event in Edgbaston, Birmingham. This is part of our extensive Careers Information and Guidance program which prepares our students for their next steps after Key Stage 5. There will be a virtual work experience information evening on Wednesday, 16th October, 7 pm to 7.30 pm. You will receive information about the work experience programme for Year 10 and 12 students and have the opportunity to ask any questions you may have about work experience.

Please use the link below to join the meeting.

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Mr Parry
Principal





**ST REGIS STARS
OF LAST WEEK!**

YEAR 7 – CECILIA Q.
YEAR 8 – IFEOLUWAPO L.
YEAR 9 – AMANDA N.
YEAR 10 – SHRIYA P.
YEAR 11 – SPECIAL C.
YEAR 12 – MAYA Z.
YEAR 13 – IMAN F.

CHESTER – AMANDA N.
LICHFIELD – IFEOLUWAPO L.
WORCESTER – CALIN G.
**HOUSE OF THE WEEK
IS WORCESTER!**



Our Duke of Edinburgh students experienced the Northern Lights in quite chilly conditions!

Well done to Mr Mullen-Jones, Miss Jones, St Regis and St Peter's students on their expedition so far! The first day, St Regis were the first to make it into camp.

What a great example of Flourishing Students & Flourishing Academies.

From the Chaplain...

We worked carefully, tipping the young rocket seedlings out of their pots and gently transplanting them into more spacious containers. The seeds we had planted two weeks before had been tiny and the young seedlings had grown quickly but were now fighting for space and light. One false move and we would have crushed a tender stalk or damaged a leaf or root... but once secure in their new pots the seedlings would have the space to grow and develop; to thrive.

I was privileged to be part of the welcoming party for new families with students joining the St Regis school community this week. They too had been uprooted from their previous places of education and were ready for a new start and a new place to grow and learn. With some understandable nerves on their part the families were shown round the site where their children would be putting down new roots, exploring new opportunities, forging new friendships and support networks, growing in their understanding, their skills, their confidence and perhaps also their spirituality. Some are talented footballers, one was a skilled musician and another had a love of nature and is particularly looking forward to meeting our dog mentors. Each will develop their God-given interests and gifts to become the unique individual God created them to be.

We don't just grow as individuals though. We are also growing as a school community, taking risks and noticing where God blesses us. I was greeted by one of our AP students this week who proudly informed me (with a huge smile) that he had put his Worship Leader training into practice and led his peers in worship for the first time this week. As I joined the group myself yesterday to plant some mustard seeds we considered the hope we have for our own growth: that we might eventually flourish and produce fruits which will benefit not just ourselves but also others. We looked at the difference that Marcus Rashford made when he used his gifts and passion to campaign for those growing up in poverty and we considered the gifts we might contribute to our harvest donations next week which will start to make a difference to people in need across Wolverhampton.

The autumn term is long and busy and as the days grow shorter and colder it is easy to miss the signs of growth and progress among us. In our tiredness let us make space to pause and look up from our work to notice and rejoice in God at work among us. May the blessings we notice sustain and encourage us through the dark months while we wait for the fruits of our labour to mature!

A prayer for Black History Month

*Compassionate God,
who sent Jesus Christ to deliver us from all manner of injustices and inequalities,
create in us new hearts and enlarged visions,
to see the image of God in every person
irrespective of background, race and ethnicity.
May we be generous in our love of others
as we work towards ending racism and injustice;
creating communities of human flourishing,
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.*

Celebrate
Black
HISTORY
month

