

ST REGIS ACADEMY

NEWSLETTER

2nd May 2025



FLOURISH

MESSAGE FROM MR PARRY

It has been wonderful this week welcoming our students back to school for the summer term. I hope all families in our school community had a good Easter break and enjoyed the fine weather we have had recently.

Today is always an amazing occasion at St Regis as we celebrate Culture and Identity day. It was very special walking around school this morning and seeing the enthusiasm students and staff show towards their culture and identity. We love seeing staff and students in such a wide range of cultural dress. It certainly makes the day more colourful and enjoyable. We join together for whole school worship and break time is a joyful occasion with students treating us to the sounds of the dhol drums. Our diversity is our biggest strength and the inclusive culture of St Regis is at the heart of everything we do. Today is a wonderful celebration of the amazing school family that we have here day-in, day-out.

This week we have also welcomed two new arrivals to St Regis: Bella and Trix! Our two new rabbits form part of our Nature Reserve and Appropriate Provision offer. We have a trained member of staff that will supervise a group of students tasked with the care of our new 'members of staff' and we look forward to seeing the positive impact they have on our students.

In the coming weeks, we will also be supporting our Year 11 and Year 13 students through their final exam preparations ready for the start of the examination season. We recognise this is always a challenging time for students but are confident they are well prepared and wish them all the best of luck!



**Mr Parry
Principal**

Good Luck!



**ST REGIS STARS
OF LAST WEEK!**

CHESTER - Teja M.
LICHFIELD - Logan B.
WORCESTER - Ivy C.
**HOUSE OF THE WEEK
IS LICHFIELD!**

YEAR 7 - Anna S A.
YEAR 8 - Ivy C.
YEAR 9 - Csenge N.
YEAR 10 - Darasimi O.
YEAR 11 - Emma G.
YEAR 12 - Emanuel Y.
YEAR 13 - Tumaini B.



Remembering Steve Cousins

This week we have been remembering and celebrating the life of a much loved ex-member of staff who gave many years' service to the King's school. Steve Cousins was the mainstay of the PE department here from 1983 to 2015 and inspired many, many students into a lifelong love for sport. Steve was held in very high esteem at school, loved by students and colleagues in equal measure. Steve's legacy lives on at St Regis and the positive impact he had on the lives of thousands of young people across the city of Wolverhampton will be remembered for a long time. Our thoughts and prayers are with Steve's family at this time.



English



Well done to the students awarded positive points for correctly using the Word of the Week in their lessons. Next week's word is below and again, we'd love you to help by using this word at home to normalise this new vocabulary and encouraging your children to do the same!

The WoW for week beginning 5th May is: **EVALUATE**

Word Class	Verb
Meaning	To 'evaluate' something means to think carefully about it and make a judgement about its quality or value. It's like deciding how good or bad something is, or how well it works. In maths, to 'evaluate' means to find the numerical value of something.
Examples of use	'They needed to evaluate the risks and make their decision.' 'I evaluated the success of my experiment and made the following changes:' 'Evaluate the cost of each pie when 3 pies cost £9.'
Synonyms	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• judge• assess• rate• appraise• calculate

From the Chaplain...

Then the Lord God formed a man from the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living being.

(Genesis 2:7)

Ancient humans would have been familiar with death. Without the benefits of thousands of years of scientific discoveries and understanding I can easily imagine them coming to the conclusion that the difference between life and death, between a sleeping person and a dead person, was the presence of breath. And despite all the scientific progress we have made, airways and breathing are still at the heart of first aid courses today, though few of us will have had the experience that Mr Green shared this week of having breathed life into newborn puppies!

According to scriptures the Holy Spirit first made an appearance right at the beginning of creation itself: **The earth was formless and empty, and darkness covered the deep waters. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the surface of the waters.** (Genesis 1:2). Often likened to breath or to wind, God's Spirit is involved creating everything from nothing and in bringing life into the most desperate of situations. And God's Spirit will continue to be involved in renewing and restoring life and hope where there is none: at a time when the nation of Israel has been all but destroyed, their cities lie in ruins and the people are scattered and many have been taken into exile in Babylonia, the prophet Ezekiel has a vision of the nation as a valley of dry bones and calls out to his people, **'This is what the Sovereign Lord says: Come, O breath, from the four winds! Breathe into these dead bodies so they may live again.'** (Ezekiel 37:9) It is a message of hope and encouragement that God has not forgotten his people and that what seems impossible to us is an opportunity for God whose ways lead to life and flourishing.

As we think about the situations in our own lives and the world around us that seem desperate and impossible, let us ask God to breathe his life-giving and restoring Spirit into our midst bringing peace, bringing justice and bringing much longed-for hope and new life. Amen

