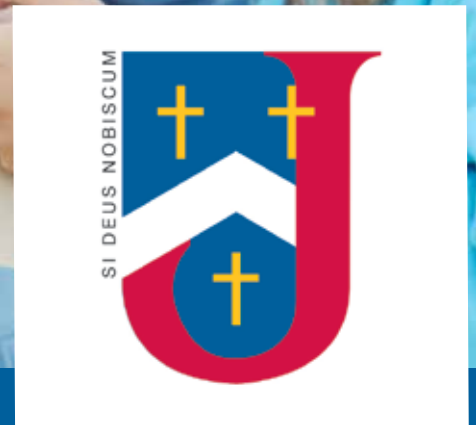


# Insight

The official newsletter of  
St. Joseph's RC High School

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Ysgol Gyfun Gatholig Joseff Sant

Examinations 2019 Arholiadau



SERVING GOD THROUGH LEARNING TOGETHER

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# Congratulations



*The harder you work  
for something the  
greater you will feel  
when you achieve it...*

## Welcome back to school!

**A very warm welcome to our first edition of Insight for 2019-2020. I hope you enjoy reading about the many outstanding academic and sporting achievements of our pupils.**

As you will probably know, the school celebrated another set of excellent results at both GCSE and A Level this summer. Students truly achieved remarkable outcomes for themselves, which is a reflection of their hard work and dedication. We are truly delighted for them and their families.

The new school year has started well. Our Year 7 students have settled in well and have quickly become part of our family. We wish them happiness and success as they journey through St Joseph's.

As always, we are very grateful to all our families for supporting us with uniform. Our students look incredibly smart and are fine ambassadors for the school.

At the start of the new academic year we welcomed a number of new staff. In the music department, Mr L Green joins us as Head of Music, with Miss B Doyle as music teacher. Joining the RE department are Mr C Clement and Miss C Burrige. Mrs S Williams joins the mathematics department along with Miss S Evans who is covering Mrs L Jones' maternity leave. Towards the end of last summer, Miss F Davies joined the English department and this term, Mrs S Thomas will be covering Mrs L Jones' maternity leave. Mrs S Jones joined the science and mathematics departments.

We also welcome a number of new additions to our support staff. These include Miss V Randall, Miss A Hicks and Mr S Wood who join our team of cover supervisors.

We are very excited by the new additions to our team who will seek to help provide your child with a high-quality experience at school.

We have also made a couple of internal appointments and offer our congratulations to Mr T Seghiri who will take on the role of Assistant Head, while Mrs E Chamberlain will take up the role of Acting Head of Mathematics.

We recognise that a key to success is the close working relationship the school maintains with you, as families. As always, if you have any concerns, please do let us know. If a concern relates to classroom learning, in the first instance I would ask you contact individual teachers, through to subject leaders. Pastoral concerns are initially addressed by form tutors and then heads of year. This is designed to help address issues as quickly as possible.

I am very much looking forward to working with you all in the coming months to help to ensure that all of our students continue to get the very best deal as a result of attending our wonderful Catholic school.

# Year 11 Success

## Llwyddiant Blwyddyn 11



We are incredibly proud of the achievements of all of our pupils who have worked so hard to earn the GCSE success we celebrated in August. This year, 70% of our pupils achieved five or more A\*-C grades, including an English and Mathematics qualification. A staggering 32% of pupils achieved five or more A\*/A grades and 99.6% of pupils achieved five or more A\*-G grades. These are truly fantastic results and demonstrate the continuing, committed partnership between home and school. An enormous well done to all our talented and conscientious pupils.

Thomas French
Olivia Kingston
Anntressa Mathews
Zaid Mathieson
Rona Roy
Gibi Sabu
Emily Brunnock
Grace Larsen
Ellis Bailey
Sophie Cregg
Mateusz Kuczynski
Janice Prince
Madeline Wood
Fiona Biju
Annalisa Crolla
Teresa Joseph
Dylan Short
Giovanna Thomas
Hannah Garcia
Aleena Joy
Elena Kingston
Joanna Koman

Alen Kuncheria
Erin Wyatt
Tanish Amran
Kriya Pahimna
Wilfred Joloza
Abigail Rajabenadic
Natalia Slusarczuk
Niya Joseph
Jelena Lazic
Samuel Tait
Elizabeth Goddard
Leo Lai
Rhys McCartney
Fasika Estefanos
Andrew Drewett
Codie Holland
Jobe Pennells
Elana Rocke
Caitlin Smith
Emma Lewis
Anna Boggiani-Lloyd
Rezwana Alamgir

Olivia Johnson
Ella Samsonov
Phoebe Sparrow
Tayla Winstone
Ethan Barnes
Olivia Ingles
Jessica Barry
Cerys Condran
Molly Harvey
Daniel Moss
VJ Salongcong
Kyle Tanner
Olivia Tuzyk
Dino Abraham
Millie Blythe

Abigail Humphrey
Olivia Williams
Hans Arellano
Jesse Davis
Faith Evans
Ceri Turner
Finley Armstrong
Daria Horzela
Amelia Hudson
Sammy Javed
Alex Linton
Jack Welch
Ryan Jones
Olivia Stone

**Congratulations to these pupils who achieved five or more A/A\* grades at GCSE.**

**We are proud of all of our students who have met or exceeded their personal targets and we wish them great success in their new chosen pathways.**

# AS/A LEVELS



## A Level Success

We were delighted with the continued success of our Year 13 pupils this year. At every indicator they achieved beyond expectations and once again we have been placed in the top 25% of post-16 providers in the UK with the ALPS system. As all of our pupils also take the Welsh Baccalaureate Qualification in addition to their A Level subjects, their performance is even stronger and this additional qualification provides students with many experiences, including the completion of a research project which will support their learning at university.

28% of grades were A\* or A, with 16% of pupils achieving 3 or more A\*/A grades. 67% of pupils achieved 3 or more A\*-C grades, a 2% improvement on last year. We are rightly very proud of these students and the staff who have worked with them throughout their time at St Joseph's. There were many instances of individual success stories, including our highest achievers, Arlou Astrologia, Shireen Balouch, Rhiannon Carroll, Shannen Centeno, Eleanor Collins, Regan Crockett, Niall Griffiths, Victoria Hill, Rhys Jones, Haidar Mathieson, Ciaran Middleton, Olivia Nuzzo, Graydn Paders-Ball, Raegan Russell, Matthew Ryan, James Tobias, Anastasia Wall and Alexander Willis, who all achieved a minimum of three A grades. There were also stories of individuals who, through persistence and determination, achieved their target grades and earned a place at the university of their choice.

A number of our pupils have also accepted apprenticeships with organisations across South Wales and the West. All pupils who decided to attend university have been accommodated, and now take the next step in their academic careers. We wish them every possible success and happiness for the future, and thank them for everything they have given to the school during their time with us.

## AS Results

Once again, our Year 12 pupils have managed to bridge the gap between GCSEs and A Levels with a superb set of AS results. There were many examples of pupils achieving above and beyond expectations and they are now well on their way in taking the first steps towards their next pathway.

Special mention must however go to the following students who all achieved a minimum of three A grades: Daivon Adeyemi, Thomas Cowan, Emilia Godfrey, Jessica King, Kitty McHugh, Julia Nycz, Zoe Paginton, Jacob Pauly and Joseph Thompson.

A number of our students have also spent time over the summer at the prestigious Oxford UNIQ and Sutton Trust summer schools, with others attending the Rotary Youth Leadership Academy and UWC Atlantic College School for Young Leaders, where they will have honed their intellectual curiosity in preparation for their final year.

We would also like to congratulate all of our collaborative students who had great success with us at St Joseph's, and our students who benefitted from the opportunities and teaching offered at our partner institutions. Again, we wish them every possible success.

# 2019

## Pupil Destinations Llwybr Dyfodol Disgyblion



Arlou Astrologia



Haidar Mathieson



Rhys Jones



Shireen Balouch



Eleanor Collins

**Chelsea Adewole** reading International Business at UWE Bristol

**Rahaf Ahmed** reading Law at Swansea

**Oluwaseun Ajisafe** reading Pharmacy at Cardiff

**Amelia Alder-Woolf** reading Classical and Archaeological Studies at Kent

**Alex Aston** reading Physics at Bristol

**Arlou Astrologia** reading Physics at University College London

**Nathaniel Baker** Cross Keys College

**Shireen Balouch** reading Economics and History at Exeter

**Oliver Barton** reading Law and Business at Keele

**Cerys Bell** reading Criminology and Law at UWE Bristol

**Hannah Bellew** reading Law and Criminology at Swansea

**Jack Blythe** employment

**Sophie Borg** reading Biomedical Science at UWE Bristol

**Laura Brend** reading Physics at Cardiff

**Evie Brettell** reading Musical Theatre at University of West London

**Oliver Brown** Gap year

**Abigail Brunnock** reading Sociology at Cardiff

**Janneia Calahi** reading Primary Education QTS at Bath Spa

**Jade Carberry** reading Education Studies at Birmingham City University

**Rhiannon Carroll** reading Business Management at Birmingham

**Rory Carroll** employment

**Shantae Case** reading Criminology with Criminal Justice at University of South Wales

**Kyle Catalla** reading Performing Arts Cross Keys

**Shannen Centeno** employment as Theatre Assistant Cardiff University Hospital

**Yuliana Chavarria** reading Spanish at Cardiff

**Bogdan Chiritoiu** reading Aerospace Engineering at Manchester

**Annarita Cinotti** reading Primary Education QTS at Cardiff Metropolitan

**Eleanor Collins** reading English at Cardiff

**Regan Crockett** employment as Accountant STVA UK

**Macie Crook** reading Film at University of South Wales

**Logan Danaher** employment as Carpentry Apprentice

**Alexander David** reading Film at University of South Wales

**Elinor Davies** reading Chemistry at Cardiff

**Ruby Davies** reading Business Management at Swansea

**Madison Drew** reading Fashion Design at Cardiff Metropolitan

**Carmen Fong** reading Architecture at Kent

**Joao Fonseca** reading Spanish and Portuguese at Bristol

**Thomas Fouweather** reading Accounting and Finance at Swansea

**Jade Gozar** reading TESOL, Linguistics and Korean at Lancaster

**Niall Griffiths** reading Accounting and Finance at Bath

**Eleanor Haley** reading Sociology at Swansea

**Victoria Hill** reading English and Linguistics at Reading

**Elana Hobbs** reading Sport Management at Loughborough

**Erin Holloway** reading Children and Family Studies at University of South Wales

**Grace Hurley** reading Human Resource Management at University of South Wales

**Jake Hurley** employment as Structural Engineering Apprentice

**Joseph James** Apprenticeship at ONS

**Daniel Jervis** reading Chemical Engineering at Swansea

**Rhys Jones** reading Chemical Engineering at Manchester

**Olivia Kendall** reading Musical Theatre at Emil Dale Academy

**Nikoletta Klawczynska** reading Sociology at Cardiff

**Harri Knight-Davis** reading Film and Television at Bristol

**Emilia Leo** reading Sport and Exercise Science at Swansea

**Isabella Luciani** reading Art Foundation at Cardiff

**Elise Macey** reading Broadcast Journalism at UWE Bristol

**Haidar Mathieson** reading Medicine at Cambridge

# 2019

## Pupil Destinations Llwybr Dyfodol Disgyblion



Rhiannon Carroll



Ciaran Middleton



Niall Griffiths



Matthew Ryan



Shannen Centeno

**Edward McCarthy** reading Anglo-Saxon, Norse and Celtic at Cambridge

**Matthew McCarthy-Ryan** reading Business Management at Liverpool

**Ciaran McConnell** Apprenticeship in HR

**Niamh McHugh** reading Sociology at Cardiff

**Harry McInerney** joining the RAF

**Callum McMahon** reading Cyber and Computer Security at Gloucester

**Ciaran Middleton** reading History at Birmingham

**Paulina Mielnicka** reading Art Foundation at Cardiff

**James Morris** reading Computer Science at Swansea

**Niamh Mullan** reading Civil and Infrastructure Engineering at Kingston University London

**Nhlonnipho Ncube** reading Law at Nottingham Trent

**Charity Ndlovu** reading Law with Psychology at Nottingham Trent

**Henry Nicholls** Gap year

**Nobubele Nkomo** reading Mathematics at University of South Wales

**Emily Norvill** Gap year

**Olivia Nuzzo** reading Media and Communications at Cardiff

**Sophia Nuzzo** reading Cosmetic Science at University of the Arts London

**Shannon O'Sullivan** reading Criminology at London South Bank University

**Gradyn Paders-Ball** reading Pharmacy at Cardiff

**Bethan Parker** employment as Accountancy Apprentice at Mitchell's

**Corey Paterson** reading Sports Journalism at Liverpool John Moores

**Griffyn Payne** reading Education at University of South Wales

**Erin Pole** employment

**Tess Pole** apprenticeship

**Ben Price** joining the RAF

**Jack Price** reading History at Cardiff

**Jack Price** employment at MTK Global

**Poppy Ray** employment

**Anya Reed** reading Primary Education at Gloucester

**Leanne Regalado** reading Law at Bristol

**Aine Reynolds** reading Media Production at University of South Wales

**Thomas Routley** reading Sports Journalism at Liverpool John Moores

**Raegan Russell** reading Business Management at Swansea

**Ethan Sellers** reading Politics and History at the London School of Economics

**Louie Shepherd** reading Physics at King's College London

**Libby Sims** reading Physiotherapy at Manchester Metropolitan

**Emelia Smith** reading Criminology and Sociology at Cardiff

**Joseph Smith** Apprenticeship

**Isaac Sperditi** Volunteer work

**Samuel Spokes** reading Theatre at Reading

**Samuel Steed** reading International Politics and Military History at Aberystwyth

**Freya Stevens** Engineering Apprenticeship Ministry of Defence

**Alix Sullivan** reading Primary Education with QTS at Trinity St David's

**Kevin Sunil** reading Marketing at Aston University Birmingham

**Angelina Svizinska** reading Art Foundation at Cardiff

**James Thomas** reading History at Swansea

**Stephanie Thomas** reading Sociology at Swansea

**James Tobias** apprenticeship at Go Compare

**Jacob Turner** reading Politics and Sociology at Liverpool

**Nneka Uwandulu** reading Fashion Marketing and Management at Bath Spa

**Elan Virtucio** reading Computer Science at Bristol

**Anastasia Wall** reading Medicine at Cardiff

**Holly Watkins** reading Primary Education QTS at Cardiff Metropolitan

**Anna Williams** reading Law at Swansea

**Jessica Williams** reading English with Creative Writing at Swansea

**Nicholas Williams** reading Music at Royal Welsh College of Music and Drama

**Alexander Willis** reading Politics and International Relations at University College London

**Joseph Windsor** Apprenticeship in Finance

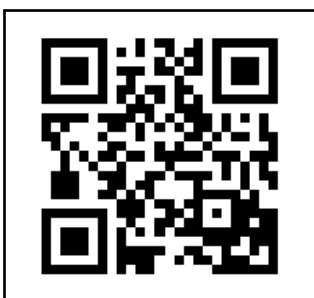
**Olivia Wood** reading Criminology and Policing at Birmingham City University



# WELCOME TO THE SIXTH FORM

As part of their induction into the sixth form, Year 12 listened attentively to presentations from the Universities of Bristol and Cardiff.

In both of these sessions, our new Year 12 students were encouraged to start to think about some of the choices they are going to have to make over the next year regarding their future pathways. The University of Bristol encouraged them to think big, and explore some of the options universities can offer them already, and Cardiff outlined some of the strategies they can employ to help them manage their workload this year. These presentations were followed by a workshop from the Newport Educational Psychology Service and our own Mrs Edwards on how to manage wellbeing and a healthy lifestyle whilst they are with us at St Joseph's. They have settled into their studies exceptionally well, and we wish them every success for their futures.



Keep up to date on apprenticeships, information downloads and important dates in the Sixth Form section of our website, or on your Twitter page @sjhs6form



The PE department would like to say a huge thank you to all of the competitors and staff who helped to make St Joseph's 2019 sports day one of the best yet.

The school's stated mission is 'Serving God through Learning Together' and this commitment was evident in the keenness of our pupils to achieve to the best of their ability whilst also supporting fellow pupils.

During the day, a number of records were broken with many pupils beating their personal bests.

Zorbing Impact Soccer proved once again to be physically demanding, exciting and great fun for both pupils and staff. The PE department are keen to repeat this activity next year!

The PE department would also like to take this opportunity to thank the staff who showed great community spirit by turning up at 7am to set up Sports Day as well as the music department for providing entertainment throughout the day.

**Finally, our biggest thanks must go to the pupils who behaved impeccably and competed to the very best of their ability. Well done!**

# SPORTS DAY 19



by Mr Sankala  
Head of PE





# OUR SCHOOL RECORD BREAKERS:

Track Events			
Event	Name	Year	Time/Distance
Javelin	Nya Miller Davies	7	18.95m
High Jump	Lewis Ross	7	1.38m
Relay	Year 8 Girls	8	59.78secs
Discus	Marta Lepek	9	20.52m
High Jump	Leemair Foster-Bennett	9	1.53m
Shot	Ryli Price	10	12.41m
Long Jump	Isaac Olaide	10	5.34m
Track Events			
Relay	Year 8 Girls	8	59.78secs
Relay	Year 9 Boys	9	50.97secs



## Welcome to our new Year 7 students

Congratulations to Year 7 for such an excellent start to their transition from primary school. We are extremely proud of their wonderful attitudes to learning, along with their immaculate appearance and excellent attendance. We hope this continues to be part of their everyday ethos.

The school term is well underway and pupils are already making themselves known by showing their commitment to school life. We are delighted with the number of applications put forward to represent the Year Group Council and look forward to announcing the names of the successful applicants very soon. Some of the pupils have already been chosen to represent the school sports teams or are actively taking part in extra-curricular activities after school.

Our pupils have made a really positive start to Year 7 and have embraced the challenge of settling into a new environment very quickly. They are all keen to make a good impression and have started with a bang – keep up the good work and maintain your positive attitude!!

**Mrs S Webster, Head of Year 7**

**Parents/carers: keep up to date on the Year 7 Twitter page @SJHSYear7 and the whole school twitter page @SJHSnewport**



# Introducing our new Head Students...

## Tom Cowen

Hello! My name is Tom Cowan and I'm privileged to represent the school community as Head Boy this year. I'm currently studying Maths, Chemistry and Biology at A Level. Drawn to a career in medicine, I have a profound desire to benefit the lives of others through my own actions and knowledge. The challenging yet rewarding nature of a career in medicine entices me.

**Having co-formed a new St Joseph's Medical Society for pupils in Year 10 and upwards, I hope to be a proactive, yet approachable ambassador for the school.**

## Callum Penn

Hi I'm Callum and I am one of the Head Boys. I'm currently studying Biology, Maths and Physics and hope to study Civil Engineering at either Exeter or Birmingham next year.

**My one bit of advice to any student in the school is that failure comes a lot earlier than success but it's something that you just have to take in your stride and learn from.**

## Elina Dvni

Hello, my name is Elina Dvni and I'm pleased to say that I am Head Girl at St Joseph's. I am studying Biology, Chemistry, History and Welsh Baccalaureate and aspire to study medicine at university.

**I am determined to make a real impact on the lives of others through kindness and compassion whilst committing myself to a career of lifelong learning.**

## Zoe White

Hi! My name is Zoe White. I love being a part of the St Joseph's family and I am delighted to represent the school as Head Girl this year. I am always taking on new challenges and I enjoy playing music and sports in my free time. I am currently studying Biology, Chemistry and Maths at A level, with the hope of studying Dentistry at university next year.

**I can't wait to take on such a demanding yet rewarding career in which I can continue to make a positive difference to people's lives.**



**Tom Cowen**  
Head Boy



**Elina Dvni**  
Head Girl



**Callum Penn**  
Head Boy



**Zoe White**  
Head Girl



**Gainmore Daka**  
Deputy Head Boy



**Tayha Jupe**  
Deputy Head Girl



**Kamran Hussain**  
Deputy Head Boy



**Martha Powell**  
Deputy Head Girl

# Dates for your diary 2019

## Autumn Term TYMOR Y HYDREF

September	
2	Inset Day
4	Years 7-11 and 13 begin Autumn Term
6	Year 12 Sixth Form Induction Day
7-8	Duke of Edinburgh final practice
14	Year 12/13 Criminology Conference to USW
17	School Photographs for Years 7, 9, 11 and 13
17	PE Trip to USW Glyntaf
October	
2	Year 7 Welcome Mass
11	Year 12 Geography Trip to Southerndown
14	Year 8 Geography Trip to Southerndown
22	Year 12 Technology Trip to Boulders Climbing
22-24	OPEN MORNINGS for Year 6 parents
25	Years 10-13 Art Trip to Oxford
26-30	Years 8-13 IT Trip to Berlin
28-1 Nov	HALF TERM

November	
5	Year 11 Numeracy GCSE (selected pupils only)
7	Year 11 Numeracy GCSE (selected pupils only)
7	Year 7 Pastoral Evening
11	Year 11 Maths GCSE (selected pupils only)
13	Year 11 Maths GCSE (selected pupils only)
25	Inset Day
28	Year 8 Parents Evening
December	
3	Year 10 Science Trip to Swansea University
5	Year 13 Parents Evening
7	Harry Potter World Reward Trip
11	Year 13 Science Trip
12	Year 12 Parents Evening
13	Year 13 Science Trip to Cardiff University
16	Key Stage 4 and 5 Celebration of Excellence
18	Advent Service and Christmas Concert
20	AUTUMN TERM ENDS

Please be aware these dates might change due to unforeseen circumstances.



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