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FROM THE HEADTEACHER



Friday 3 July
2026

Dear Readers,

Important Dates:

Industrial Action days:

Tuesday 14, Wednesday 15
& Thursday 16 July 2026

Inset day – Thursday 23
July 2026 – school closed
to all students

September 2026 return to
school dates:

Tuesday 8 September 2026
– Years 7 and 11 only in
school

Wednesday 9 September
2026 – all Years in school

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excellence,
guided by Christ’

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This week has been super busy with two full days of transition on Tuesday and Wednesday. It as delightful to see our new Year 7 students and they had two excellent but tiring days. The two days ended with our traditional Y6 & 7 disco. Many thanks to the staff that came to support us and parents/carers for all the dropping off and picking up – despite the England game being at 5pm!

Next week we also have Year 10 work experience. Mr Riley has been sending out communications this week to both parents/cares and students – if any questions arise please email schooloffice@sjh.srscmat.co.uk I am sure that next week will provide a valuable insight into the world of work and that our students will return to us having been excellent ambassadors of both the school and their families.

In addition to work experience school has another 'normal' week. A full, timetable will be running for all our students every day. We will update about the Week commencing 13th July as soon as we are able to.

As summer continues in the UK let us also remember our sisters and brothers in Christ in Venezuela – may God bring comfort to all those impacted by the earthquake.

Garde ta Foi! Guard your Faith!

Mrs Christina Hartharn

Acting Headteacher

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SCHOOL NEWS

Nut Allergies:

We have several students within school who have severe nut allergies. We aim to be a nut free school and kindly remind parents/carers and students that nuts and food containing nuts must not be brought into School.



September 2026 return to school dates:

Friday 4 September 2026 – **Inset day – school closed to all students**

Monday 7 September 2026 – **Inset day – school closed to all students**

Tuesday 8 September 2026 – **Year 7 and Year 11 only in school**

Wednesday 9 September 2026 – **All year groups in school**

Trust restructure/industrial action information:

Please see below link to the Trust restructure/industrial action information page where updates will be posted:

<https://www.srscmat.co.uk/news/restructure-industrial-action-information/>

Vacancies:

We are currently recruiting for a Teaching Assistant and Cover Supervisor to join our school, please click on the below for further details:

Teaching Assistant:

<https://mynewterm.com/jobs/137908/EDV-2026-SJHCVA-81601>

Cover Supervisor:

<https://mynewterm.com/jobs/137908/EDV-2026-SJHCVA-58142>

Water Bottles:

Please can you make sure that your child comes to school with a water bottle as the temperatures increase over the next few weeks. We have several locations throughout the school where students can fill their bottle with a choice of room temperature or chilled water.

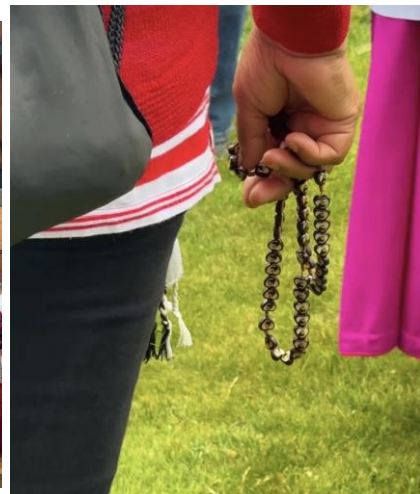
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CHAPLAINCY



Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham 2026:

Well done and thank you to Lucy and Thayonita who attended the Pilgrimage to Walsingham. Thank you for Guarding Your Faith. You are shining examples to us all and we do appreciate the support your families give. More thanks to Mr Pratti for organising this Pilgrimage. Why not be inspired to pray a Hail Mary today?



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USEFUL LINKS

Safeguarding concerns please email safeguarding@sjh.srscmat.co.uk

Homework :

<https://www.stjohnhoughtonilkeston.srscmat.co.uk/curriculum/homework/>

School lunch menus:

<https://www.stjohnhoughtonilkeston.srscmat.co.uk/students/school-meals/>

Free School Meals: Derbyshire -

<https://www.derbyshire.gov.uk/education/schools/your-child-atschool/meals/school-meals/free-school-meals.aspx>

Link to School Calendar:

<https://www.stjohnhoughtonilkeston.srscmat.co.uk/news/calendar>

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DATES FOR THE DIARY

2025-2026 School holidays and Inset days:

Last day of term Inset Day 5 – school closed to all students	Thursday 23 July 2026
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2026-2027 School holidays and Inset Days:

Inset day 1	Friday 4 September 2026
Inset day 2	Monday 7 September 2026
Years 7 & 11 return to school	Tuesday 8 September 2026
All years return to school	Wednesday 9 September 2026
October half term	Monday 26 - Friday 30 October 2026
Inset day 3	Friday 27 November 2026
Christmas holidays	Monday 21 December 2026 – Friday 1 January 2027
February half term	Monday 15 – Friday 19 February 2027
Inset Day 4 (Trust)	Monday 22 February 2027
Easter holidays	Friday 26 March – Friday 9 April 2027
May half term	Monday 31 May – Friday 4 June 2027
All years finish school	Friday 23 July 2027
Inset Day 5	Monday 26 July 2027