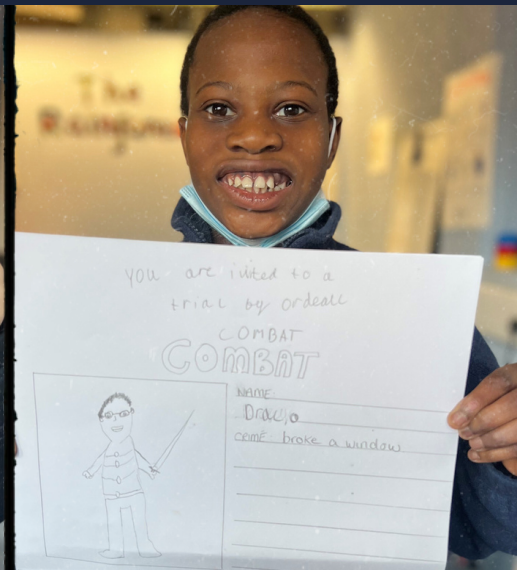
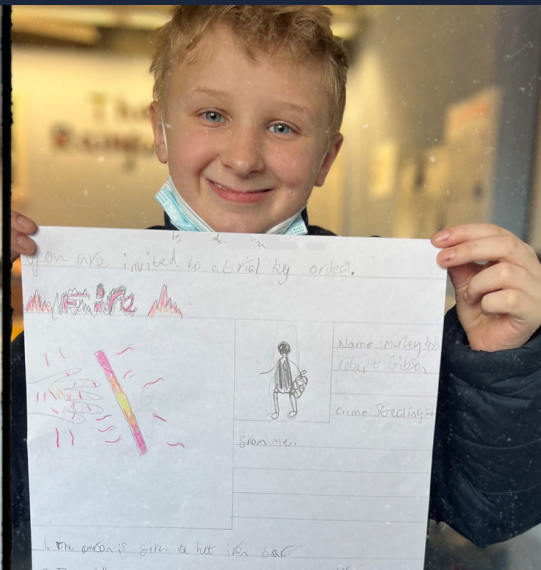
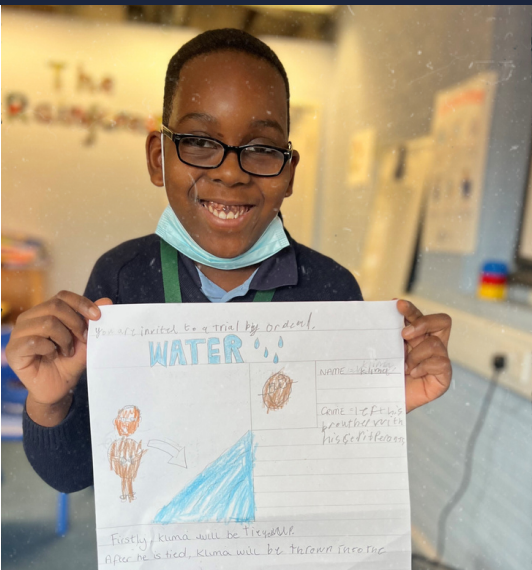




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NEWSLETTER

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Our Inclusive School

The SEND department at St Mary's College is inclusive, ambitious, innovative and child centred. Our provision is firmly rooted in our believe that our school is a place where everyone is treated with dignity, with respect and is of equal worth. Our school is a place where everyone can achieve extraordinary things and where all of our students with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities deserve the very best support.

Students with SEND are a priority for all teachers and St Mary's College and our students who are on the SEND register consistently perform above the national average for all students for all students nationally in terms of progress. We are very proud of the provision we offer to our students with SEND at Key Stage 3, 4 and 5 and the personalised approach we use to ensure all staff are aware of individual students' needs and how best to support them academically and pastorally at SMC.

The SEND department at St Mary's College delivers a bespoke nurture provision to a small number of students in Year 7 & 8 ,this 'Core group' uses 50% of the students' timetable to focus on improving their reading skills. In Core lessons we follow the St Mary's College Learning Cycle & learning journeys (just like in all other classes) to ensure our Core Group learning experience is truly inclusive. Lessons are exciting and carefully organised so that our students enjoy the topics we study and, importantly, feel they are learning lots!

The SEND department's vision is driven by our relentless encouragement of all students with SEND to recognise their unique value within our learning community and to understand how their individual talents contribute significantly to SMC. This fundamental inclusivity is underpinned by our outstanding pastoral care and the Catholic life of our school which permeates all we do.

We are humbled and inspired each day by the young people in our care, especially those with SEND who enhance our school community beyond measure!



MISS RAMSDEN - ASSISTANT HEAD/SEND CO

AFRICA PROJECT

Core group students have recently explored the unit 'Africa' within their Geography lessons. This topic was rich in colour, music and life. The cultural awareness that the students developed by studying this topic was invaluable and they showed up to all lessons brimming with enthusiasm! Highlights included African drumming, studying traditional dress & designing pottery.



Here are some examples of our art-based lessons – Students in 7YN2 designed their own pottery using colours inspired by traditional African dress and jewellery.



FREE ONLINE SUPPORT GROUP FOR PARENTS & CARERS OF CHILDREN WITH DYSLEXIA



Dyslexia Sparks is Hull and East Yorkshire's only registered charity for dyslexia and associated specific learning difficulties.

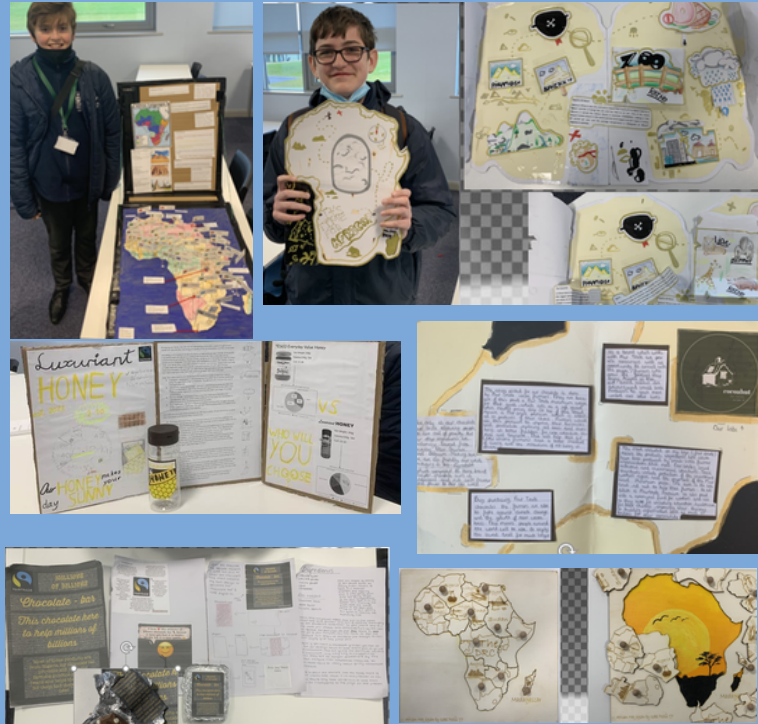
Their next, free, online support session takes place on **Thursday 27th January at 10am.**

This is offered as part of local charity Dyslexia Sparks' free, monthly support group and will focus on peer support with an open discussion on parenting dyslexic children and details of a new online chat forum created specifically for parents and carers. January's support session will also share details of how to access their new Facebook group, provide you with the chance to share your thoughts on what you would like to see from the online forum and to chat with other parents/ carers of dyslexic children.

Places are free but limited and must be booked in advance to receive the online meeting link. For further details and to book, please visit their Eventbrite page: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/dyslexia-sparks-17939587181> or contact them directly at nicola.markham@dyslexia-sparks.org.uk

GEOGRAPHY COMPETITION WINNERS

Once again our Year 7 & 8 students have outdone themselves with their fantastic Christmas Geography homework. Year 7 had to create an illustrated map of Africa and Year 8 had to design their own Fair Trade product. Our talented students did not disappoint with their amazing entries and we are grateful for the continued support of our parents



CENTRE STAGE

Congratulations to the following students who have secured places at national drama and performing arts schools for September 2022



TOM

UNIVERSITY OF LINCOLN



AMELIA

EPA
ACADEMY OF PERFORMING ARTS



AMELIA

addict
dance academy



LOUISE

EPA
ACADEMY OF PERFORMING ARTS



MILLIE

EPA
ACADEMY OF PERFORMING ARTS

MORE PODCASTS !

Our Medical Health & Social Academy continue to publish regular podcasts featuring our students and local medical and health professionals.



You can listen to our published episodes over on Spotify at:

<https://open.spotify.com/show/6TjiC7ZFEufi4QhoQEbSY1>

STUDENTS IN THE HEADLINES!



ST MARY'S SIXTH FORM COLLEGE

CONGRATULATIONS TO YEAR 13, SM6 STUDENTS ZENDEN ROZENBROEK AND KATIE PERCIVAL WHO HAVE RECEIVED CONDITIONAL OFFERS TO STUDY BIOCHEMISTRY AND FRENCH RESPECTIVELY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD IN 2022

CAREERS OPPORTUNITIES

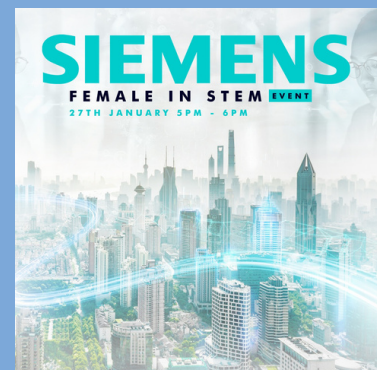
Apprenticeship Talks
Room D2
Y12 & 13 students:
Tuesday 8th February, 1.30
Spectrum Tech
- sales apprenticeships
Year 12 students:
Friday 11th February, 10.30am
Siemens Finance and Commercial Academy
- not just accountancy, other avenues available

'STEM Event with Siemens' for female students in Y10-13 will take place via Zoom on Thurs 27th Jan, 5pm-6pm.

Students wishing to attend can sign up through this link:

<https://surveymonkey.co.uk/r/Siemens-Event>

Please note, males are of also welcome to join, however, the session will be female-led.



ENRICHMENT VISITS

Enrichment is an essential part of all students' journeys at St Mary's. We aim to offer as many wonderful, exciting and original opportunities as possible!

Year 13 Law students have an amazing opportunity coming up on a 3 day residential to London in March where opportunities will include:

- A trip to Parliament - tour and debating activity
- Morning visit to The Supreme Court - tour and observe court in session.
- Afternoon trip to the Royal Courts of Justice - Tour, observe cases and prepare and take part in a mock murder trial.
- Theatre Visit - 'Witness for the Prosecution' at the London County Hall
- Morning tour of the Old Bailey criminal courts to observe criminal cases

Sixth form MFL students visited Vue Cinema in Hull to watch the French film 'Petite Maman' an award-winning, ghost story film.

Year 8 students have been invited to take part in a spiritual retreat to The Briars youth centre in Derbyshire in May.

Miss Roberts has organised a theatre trip to Manchester in February to see 'Blood Brothers' with Year 8. Students are studying the text as part of their English lessons this year.

Mrs Eldon and almost 50 Year 11 Maths students will be going to Leeds in March to attend a Maths Inspiration Talk as part of their exam preparation.

HEADERS & FOOTERS



Congratulations to Seb P (Year 9) and Oscar P (Year 10) who finished in 2nd place and 5th place in the Under 15 Boys Humberside AAA Clubs Cross Country Championships. They will now go onto represent Humberside at the UK Inter-Counties Cross Country Championships in March 2022.

Year 8B football team have progressed to the last 8 in the ESFA B Team National Cup.

Year 9B football team have progressed to the last 16 in the ESFA B Team National Cup.

Congratulations everyone!





The Gallery...

D&T LUNCHTIME CLUB



Students have been making bug hotels in D&T club on lunchtimes.

They've used timber from pallets, cork, bamboo, wood shavings and chicken wire.

They can't wait to put them up!



ANIMAL-TASTIC ART

The Year 9 Core group are doing GCSE Art & Design and have been working on an 'Animals' project this year. They have explored a wide range of materials and techniques and are now focusing on 3D work. They started with some smaller sculptures but now they're done we've gone large! These bigger beasts will take a while to finish but we'll keep you updated.



WHEN THE SONG OF THE ANGELS IS STILLED

When the song of the angels is stilled,
When the star in the sky is gone,
When the kings and the princes are home,
When the shepherds are back with their flocks,
The work of Christmas begins:

- To find the lost,
- To heal the broken,
- To feed the hungry,
- To release the prisoner,
- To rebuild the nations,
- To bring peace among people,
- To make music in the heart.

Howard Thurman



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