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Dear Families,

Students in Year 12 and 13 enjoyed exam success as they received their exam results from BTEC module exams sat during January of this year. 96% of the grades returned were at a Pass (C) or higher, with 67% of grades a Merit (B). These grades are testament to the hard work of students, staff and the unwavering support of parents. The grades place students in an excellent position when they look to complete their respective courses at the end of Year 13.



Assessments have been a theme of the week as earlier disruption to this term compressed routine end of term assessments into this penultimate week. Due to the disruption of this term, student progress reports will be published later than expected, after the Spring (Easter) break.

As normality returns and we have managed to provide transport to and from school, attendance has improved significantly and stands at 92.4% for the week. Should parents wish for any support in helping their child to attend school, please do reach out to Kate.Parkinson@modschoools.org who will gladly support.

In the event of a child being absent from school, please ensure this is reported no later than 0815 hrs to SJS.Enquiries@modschoools.org

Upcoming School Events

Week Commencing 23rd March

Week 2

Monday 23rd March

Year 11 Core Mock Examinations

Year 6 Open Afternoon

Post 16 Options Afternoon : 1430 hrs in the Hall

Tuesday 24th March

Year 11 Core Mock Examination

Wednesday 25th March

Year 6 Open Afternoon

Thursday 26th March

Headteacher's Surgery : 0900—1000 hrs @ Akrotiri Hive

Year 9 GCSE Options Afternoon : 1430 hrs in the Hall

Friday 27th March

Last Day of Term— school closes at 1230 hrs

Week Commencing 30th March

All Week

Spring (Easter) Holiday

School closed to students and staff

Week Commencing 6th April

All Week

Spring (Easter) Holiday

School closed to students and staff

Week Commencing 13th April

Week 1

Monday 13th April

School Opens for students in all years at 0750 hrs

Thursday 16th April

SJS Coffee Morning 0900—1000 hrs

Bookings required via SJS.Enquiries@modschoools.org



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Year 9 Options Information Afternoon: 26th March at 1430 hrs

As our Year 9 students move closer to making their GCSE choices, we are delighted to invite parents and students to our Year 9 Options Information afternoon, which will take place on Thursday 26th March from 1430 – 1530 hrs in our school hall or online via this [link](#)

This afternoon is designed to support families at an important moment in your child's educational journey. The choices students make now will shape their next two years of study and we want to ensure that every student feels informed, confident and excited about their decisions.

The event will begin with a short presentation outlining the Options process and highlighting the significance of choosing subjects that align with students' interests, strengths and future aspirations. This will provide a clear overview of how the Options system works and what students should consider when making their selections.

Following the presentation, parents and students will have the opportunity to explore our Options Fair. Curriculum leaders from across the school will be present, each hosting an information stall for their subject. This will be an informal and valuable chance to speak directly with subject specialists, ask questions and find out more about what each course involves, how it is assessed, and how it might link to future study or career pathways.

Whether your child already has clear ideas about their choices or is still weighing up different possibilities, this afternoon will provide the guidance and insight needed to make well-considered decisions.

We strongly encourage all Year 9 families to attend as this is a key step in helping students choose a path that inspires and motivates them.

We look forward to welcoming you to what promises to be an informative and engaging afternoon.





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Spring Student Progress Reports

We had expected to publish our Spring student progress reports on Friday 27th March. Unfortunately as a consequence of the recent disruption caused by the incident impacting upon RAF Akrotiri, we have not been able to complete our classroom assessments that contribute to our reports. All assessments will be completed by the end of this term with standardisation, marking and moderation to follow. To ensure the reports published are accurate and complete, we will now publish our spring student progress reports after the Spring (Easter) break. For students who will sadly be leaving us next Friday your child's report will be published electronically via email.

Subject	Teacher name	Student Name:		Tutor Group:		Attendance: 100%	Areas to improve	SJS Qualities
		Target band	Current Band	Current Band	Effort			
English		Intermediate	Intermediate	Intermediate	1			
Mathematics		Intermediate	Intermediate	Intermediate	2			
Science		Intermediate	Intermediate	Intermediate	2			
Art		Intermediate	Intermediate	Intermediate	2			Writing task
Computing		Intermediate	Intermediate	Intermediate	2			
Design & Technology		Intermediate	Intermediate	Intermediate	2			
Drama		Intermediate	Intermediate	Intermediate	2			
Food & Nutrition		Intermediate	Intermediate	Not assessed	2			
French		Intermediate	Intermediate	Not assessed	2			
Geography		Intermediate	Intermediate	Foundation	2			
History		Intermediate	Intermediate	Foundation	1			
Music		Intermediate	Intermediate	Intermediate	1			
Physical Education		Intermediate	Intermediate	Not assessed	2			
Religious Education		Intermediate	Intermediate	Teacher absent	2			Positive attitude
		Higher	Foundation	N/A	2			Engagement
		Not assessed	Foundation	2				
		Not assessed	2					

Positive points achieved: 48 Negative behaviour points: 0

Post-16 Options Afternoon: 23rd March at 1430 hrs

We warmly invite parents of Year 11 students to attend our upcoming rescheduled Post-16 Options Afternoon, where you will have the opportunity to learn more about our Sixth Form and hear about the range of academic and vocational courses we offer along with their entry requirements.

The event will also include a tour of the Sixth Form and an opportunity to talk with both our staff and some of our current Sixth Form students.

We look forward to welcoming you in person on Monday 23rd March or online via this [link](#)

Contacting the school

Parents are reminded that contact can be made through:

- SJS.Enquiries@modschoools.org
- **00357 2596 3888 (0730—1500hrs)**





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Enrichment Opportunities

The past three weeks has left much for St John's School to contend with. I am incredibly proud that despite the challenges we have continued to maintain the delivery of our school curriculum whilst keeping disruption to a minimum. As we have navigated how to support all our students and manage the transport logistics which come with their dispersal, we had to curtail our extracurricular programme.

As more families now return to RAF Akrotiri the pressure upon the number of buses in use has reduced and we will be able to provide our usual 'late bus' from school to Akrotiri. The bus will leave school promptly at 1510hrs initially stopping at North and South Paramali before passing the Wateringhole (Chelona) and Chaplaincy bus stops. This service will resume on Monday 23rd March. Sadly, there will be no late bus transporting students to other locations in Cyprus.

Most after school extracurricular enrichment clubs will resume in earnest from Monday 13th April 2026, however some may begin to get underway next week, particularly involving Year 11.

To attend an extra curricular activity, students must enrol onto their chosen activities. A register will be taken to confirm their attendance to each enrichment activity and a message (via the MCAS App) sent to parents to confirm their attendance or bring to your attention their absence should they have been expected to attend.

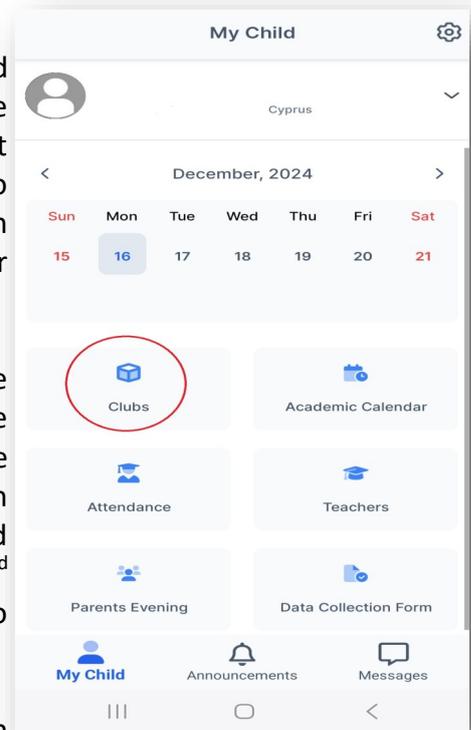
Students who have registered for the Bromcom Student Portal can also enrol themselves into any of the enrichment activities.

Please continue to monitor the MCAS App to enrol your child into the extra-curricular clubs they wish to attend.

Further updates regarding our **Year 8 Aspire Programme** will follow particularly regarding the completion of the Foundation Project Qualification once we have further clarity from the exam board regarding an extended submission date.

Having difficulties?

Should you encounter difficulties please email Mrs Twyford who will gladly support you in logging in for the first time and/or making an appointment. Mrs Twyford's email is: Hayley.Twyford@MODSchools.org





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Leavers - Year 7 to 12

Sadly this academic year will see a significant number of students leave St John's School. We are aware that a number of you are starting to receive details of your next posting and that many members of our RIB will be returning to the UK through a staggered approach which has already begun.



If you know you will be leaving us before the new academic year, please can you inform the School Office as soon as possible. This will help us ensure that your child has a smooth transition to their new school and that all the information required is prepared and ready to send across to them. This also includes children in Year 11. If you are unsure of exact dates, or currently do not have a school confirmed, please still complete the form as these details can be added at a later time.

If you have any queries regarding this, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Twyford on 00357 2596 8003 or alternatively you can email at Hayley.Twyford@modschoools.org.

Headteacher's Surgery - Akrotiri Hive



On Tuesday 26h March 0900—1000 hrs, parents and/or members of the BFC community are welcome to drop into the Akrotiri Hive, without appointment, to meet the Headteacher, Colin Guyton, to discuss any ideas or issues concerning St John's School.

This approach draws similarities from the MP Local Constituency Surgeries you may be familiar with in the UK and it is hoped that it will prove a useful opportunity to share ideas that help improve the provision we provide to the young people in our care.

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Let's be friends!

Be sure to add us as a friend of Facebook to keep up to date with what is happening at St John's School



Bring in a Reading Book

We ask that students attend school with a book in their bag. They can bring their own book or one borrowed from a library, whether it is our library or one of the libraries on Episkopi or Akrotiri.



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**RED
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40th Anniversary FUNDRAISER



20 March • 14:00-16:00 • On Dodge



Bake Sale and Competition Judged by Jury
Coffee & Cakes available for sale @14:00

Fun Games for everyone

Skittles, Face painting, Crafts

Pass The Parcel Game starts @15:00 - Don't miss it!

**Don't forget to wear your Red Nose - biggest Red
Nose gets the prize!**

LOTS OF PRIZES FOR ALL AGES TO BE WON!

**All money raised goes directly to charity in
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