



NEWSLETTER THOMAS MORE Catholic School

2019

"Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, 'I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life.'" (John 8:12)

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TMCS NOTICES

Christmas Lunch

Tuesday 17th Dec 2019

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Senior Citizens Party

On the 6th of December Year 10 hosted the annual Senior Citizens' Party. Elderly residents from local care homes were invited to Thomas More for a Christmas party. The entertainment and refreshments were organised by the Music and Hospitality departments. Our pupils received many favourable comments from our visitors for the excellent entertainment and food. Thank you to all staff and pupils involved.



Trip to Thomson Reuters

On the 5th December 2019, 19 eager Thomas More pupils set off to explore one of the most trusted media companies in the world, Thomson Reuters in Canary Wharf. The company was established by Paul Julius Reuter in 1850 in London and functioned as an agency selling financial and international news to newspapers.

The pupils participated in a workshop delivered by Dhara Rhanasinghe and The Charlotte Project on 'How to spot fake news'. We were lucky to get an insight into how little details can change our beliefs/ understanding of certain events and issues, and through the workshop pupils acquired tools to spot false news. In addition, pupils were able to ask questions to a variety of journalists about their work and enjoy a tour of the building.

Finally, they wrote their own fake news article about the trip. The best 'fake news' award went to Mario Stefanov and Maria-Stefania Dumitriu.



School Attendance

By Tutor Group & Year Group (Weekly)

Best Tutor Group

Year 7	7ASU - 95.0%
Year 8	8ACA - 93.6%
Year 9	9VBU - 99.7% ★
Year 10	10DKA - 94.7%
Year 11	11HBE - 94.1%

By Year Group

Year 7	- 94.0% ★
Year 8	- 91.5%
Year 9	- 94.0% ★
Year 10	- 92.4%
Year 11	- 91.6%

Well done to 9VBU for a near perfect attendance. Well done to Year 7 & 9 with the best year group attendance.



Achievement Points

By Pupil & Year Group

By Year Group

Year 7	Taylah McKenzie-Arday - 86, Markos Karagkiaouris - 70
Year 8	★ Vivian Neytcheva - 105, Joseph Ntshoko - 94
Year 9	Sophia Munns - 65, Julianne Mbala - 64
Year 10	Elena Leka - 62, Sahana Ravishanker - 51
Year 11	Edward Yeboah - 53, Jeremiah Abbey - 52



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How many pages is the longest manifesto for the 2019 Election

Answer

107 pages - The Labour Party



Jack Petchey Awards Evening

There was a fantastically prestigious evening at the Fairfield halls last Thursday which saw 8 of our pupils receive their wonderful Jack Petchey prizes. A huge congratulations and well done to all our pupils for their amazing achievements!



Lavigne Suenga, Tarique McCalla, Emily Koomson, Promise Odigie, Sanjay Muthiya, Denim Horsford, Nikita Toscano Sheth, Shreeya Budhbhatti

Luke wows the audience at public speaking competition

Luke Farrelly, in Year 12 took part in an impressive debating competition last week, competing against 10 other Catholic schools in the area for the Catenian public speaking competition. This is the first competition of this kind that Luke has entered.



The standard of this competition was extremely high with a large audience and some very formidable judges.

Luke did amazingly well and took 3rd place, winning a special prize. His impressive speech was 4 minutes long and entitled 'How much of your culture is your own?' He spoke confidently, naturally and with both enthusiasm and humour.

Well done Luke for representing Thomas More Catholic School - you did us all proud!

Spirituality Corner

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Prayer for the week (Advent)

My little Lord Jesus, I love You and thank You for this Advent season. Please help me to understand all that You have done for me. Your loving mother held You in her heart and brought You into this world. Help me to do the same.

My loving Jesus, I choose You, this Advent, as my King and my God. Draw me close to You and help me to see my sins so that I can change the things that You want me to change.

Mother Mary, pray for me this Advent so that I may do all that God wants me to do. You said "Yes" to all that God asked of you. Please pray for me that I may do the same. Amen.



Prayer Club

All are welcome on:
 Wednesday lunchtime
 Time: 1.15-1.45