



St John Bosco
ARTS COLLEGE

29th April 2024

Year 7-10 Summer Rewards Trip

Dear Parents/Carers,

I'm thrilled to announce that the Year 7-10 Summer rewards trip has now been confirmed. It will be a day at Blackpool Pleasure Beach, where students can enjoy the rides and attractions, as well as spending quality time with their friends.

I am currently in the process of finalising the total cost of this trip and the finer details, which will be provided in due course. I wanted to reach out today to reiterate the requirements. In order to be eligible for the Summer rewards trip on **Thursday 18th July**, students must be in the top 50% of students in their year group by Friday 28th June for the total number of positive ClassCharts points received. This means that there are approximately 90 places per year group for the trip. Please note that any students who have been in our inclusion room or suspended during this term will not be eligible for the rewards trip. The Pupil Progress Coordinator (PPC) for each year group will have the final decision on which students are eligible to attend.

This rewards trip is designed to be in keeping with our overall behaviour strategy of positive reinforcement in a manner which is fair and consistent for all pupils. Teachers are encouraged to award positive behaviour points whenever possible because all the research tells us that rewards are much more motivating than sanctions. The result is that it is much more likely that pupils are rewarded rather than sanctioned. For example, in the last term from January to April, 65,478 positive points were awarded compared to 6097 negative points. This means that last term 91% of behaviour points awarded were positive points or to put it another way, staff awarded approximately 11 times more positives than negatives.

I am also delighted to share with you that we already have 15 students who have achieved the Bronze award (450 positive points), 4 students who have achieved the Silver award (550 positive points) and 1 student who has achieved the Gold award (650 positive points) with still 11 weeks of the academic year to go.

We would like to thank you for your continued support. Parental/carer support is essential in making sure we can uphold high standards and make sure that our school is one where students feel safe and can make the progress they need to move on to the next steps in their journey. No child can navigate the challenges of adolescence without clear boundaries and firm but fair guidance from parents and teachers working together effectively. We understand that part of children growing up is that they make mistakes and that it is our job to help them understand how to correct them and deal with the stresses and emotions that go with being in school. Our school ethos means we deal with this in a Salesian way and make sure that 'every day is a new day' for all of our students.

It is really important that as a parent/carer you access ClassCharts regularly so you can see behaviour points, homework, timetable and any announcements from school for your child. If you need any help accessing ClassCharts, please contact school or ask your child to speak to their form tutor.

Yours sincerely,
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