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by Owen Bruynseels, Deputy Headteacher

It gives me great pleasure to welcome you to the second newsletter of the academic year and share with you what has been a busy and successful half term.

In our first 7 weeks back students and staff have been working extremely hard and getting used to our new 6 period days. In true Salesian style time has also been found to participate and host many different whole school events and extra-curricular activities.

October provided us with two open evenings to show the visiting public and prospective parents how fantastic our school is. Both evenings at Guildford Road and Highfield Road were a fabulous success and extremely well attended. An overwhelming number of visiting parents commented on the passion for learning displayed by both staff and students, and how they were all brilliant ambassadors for the school. A timely reminder of how blessed we all are to be part of such a wonderful school community. If you were present at Guildford Road on opening evening, you may have noticed the fantastic 'Salesian Music Academy' performing outside their new classrooms. This is a great facility, to match our equally great Music department.

In addition to this, it has been tremendous to see so many parents attend the curriculum evenings hosted throughout this term by Heads of Year. Hearing what your child is learning about throughout the course of the year provides a valuable opportunity to becoming engaged with their learning at home and is very important for success. One of the high points was the Year 11 'Revision Day' where Michelle Miller provided students with advice on how to revise, and spoke to parents about how they can be supportive. A key message of the day was that, truly effective revision is a long-term process and not something, which takes place over the course of a few weeks. We look forward to seeing the results of this advice in the upcoming mock exams!

Outside of the classroom, we have enjoyed house events in which students and staff have participated. MFL hosted the annual bake off which produced some extremely tasty cake enjoyed by all. Also, some very brave staff took part in 'Teachers Got Talent'. Staff showcased some truly remarkable (previously hidden!) skills and talents. The eventual winner was Miss O'Neill, however all staff who took part deserve immense credit. A particular highlight was Miss Kusiak

and Mr Keeling ballroom dancing! The morning after, over 1000 students gathered on the yard to have their first house assembly of the year and to hear who had won the much-coveted awards trip to Bluewater shopping centre. Well done Savio! There are many more house events to come throughout the year, so we hope to see the students getting involved as much as the staff and displaying their gifts and talents.

As always, lots of fundraising and events have taken place throughout the school community. The Salesian Parents Association Disco was a fantastic evening, raising £650 and the Cullum Centre organised a fundraising coffee morning in aid of Macmillan Cancer Research, raising £158. We have also had the Bronze Duke of Edinburgh expeditions and Father Marco taking a group of students to a gathering of Salesian schools. Thank you so much to everyone who attended, participated or organised these events, it really does continue to show that the Salesian ethos continues to thrive within the school.

I hope that you enjoy the latest edition of our Newsletter and thank you for taking the time to read about all of the latest events taking place. Finally, I hope that you have a restful and enjoyable half term.

#### **Gospel Reflection**

#### Mark 10:17-30

2018-19: Building the Kingdom from Salesian School

This week the Gospel centres on a young man who finds it difficult to give up his material wealth to become a follower of Jesus. This passage includes the famous analogy of the camel passing through the eye of a needle, the implication being that it's difficult to get to heaven if you're rich. Of course, God could easily get said camel through the tiny aperture if he so chose, which may be good news for those of us who would struggle to take a vow of poverty, however, this isn't the point. What we need to understand is that if we are too fixated on all that consumerism promotes then we'll never be as committed to building the Kingdom as we should be.

Quite apart from the fact that as Christians we should be striving for greater justice and equity between rich and poor in our world, this Gospel passage encourages us to reflect on our priorities and give consideration to how disciplined we can be in making personal sacrifices in order to achieve something more meaningful and fulfilling in the longer term; this, as we know, is a recurring theme of education, particularly in a Catholic school.

#### Reflections on faith:

- What are the most important things in my life?
- What would I be prepared to go without to lead a better life?
- What would I be prepared to go without to secure a better future?
- What would I be prepared to go without for the people I love?
- What would I be prepared to go without to move closer to God?

## Chancellor of the Exchequer Visit

We were delighted to welcome the Rt Hon Philip Hammond to school this term, who expressed his interest and support of our development plans for our new Sports Hall.



# Plans submitted for new and enhanced Sports Pitches for Salesian School

We are pleased to advise that a planning application was submitted by Ashill in August 2018 that, if approved, will deliver new and improved sports pitches and facilities for our school, at a new site, directly opposite the main campus on Guildford Road. As you may be aware, our existing rugby pitch at Hanworth Lane is consistently waterlogged and unplayable for much of the year. It has also been identified by Runnymede Council for residential development. Ashill have submitted a planning application for new homes on this site, which will enable them to deliver two new sports pitches and associated facilities opposite the school.



The proposed new sports facilities include:

- A new full size rugby pitch
- A new juniors football pitch
- A new sports pavilion, with changing rooms
- Car parking

- crossing on Guildford Road directly from the
- Improved drainage, enabling year round use
- New landscaping and ecological enhancements









#### How you can support the new sports pitches and facilities

This is a fantastic opportunity for the school, which will significantly enhance our facilities and we need to let the Council know how important it would be for us. We would therefore be very grateful if you could take a moment of your time to formally register your support for the new sports facilities by visiting www.runnymede.gov.uk click on the 'View and object or support an application' page and search for the application using the reference: RU.18/1279. Alternatively, you can email your support directly to Runnymede Borough Council quoting the application Sarah Garbett (Head of Drama) reference RU.18/1279 in your email planning@runnymede.gov.uk

Sixth Form Open Evening



On Thursday 27th September we were delighted to welcome potential students and their families to Highfield Road for our annual Sixth Form Open Evening. The evening showcased the wide range of subjects on offer at the Sixth Form and allowed students the opportunity to explore our courses and the site. We were thrilled to welcome students from nearly 30 different schools; there certainly was a real buzz about the college. We are very much looking forward to receiving our highest number of applications and continuing to build our growing college.

Lizzie Bolton (Head of 6th form)

#### Year 13 Barrister Visit

Following a Law workshop at St Hilda's College, Oxford University last year, a group of 16 Year 13 students were inspired to enter the Citizen Foundation's Bar Mock Trial competition. The students will represent the Sixth Form College at a mock criminal trial at Guildford Crown Court on 17th November 2018. They have been hard at work in their weekly enrichment periods to prepare cases on behalf of the prosecution and defence in various criminal contexts. We have been very lucky to receive the support of two barristers from prestigious chambers in central London. With their assistance, the students have practised cross examination of different

students have really impressed their audience with the quality of their argument and confident public speaking.

Clare Forman (Deputy Head of 6th Form)

#### Year 13 Devised Drama Practical

On Thursday 11th October, Year 13 Drama and Theatre students, Ellie Hegarty and Harrison Barnard, performed their devised piece 'What would you say?' as part of their A level exam. The piece was based on the true story of the murdered school girl Milly Dowler and was an entirely verbatim piece created from real interviews. The final result was very moving and demonstrated the huge amount of research and time the students had taken in the devising process.



### A Level/Year 10 Trip to the British Library

We were thrilled to take our Year 10, 12 and 13 students to the British Library on Monday 1st October. This was a very special opportunity to launch the British Library's new educational webspace, Discovering Music. We were honoured to be the only quest school at the launch which comprised two workshops and a tour around the library's 'Treasures' collection. Students were allowed to look at original manuscripts of Delius's string quartet, Elgar's 3rd symphony and letters between Peter Warlock and Delius. These offered a fascinating insight into how composers worked and corresponded. We were also delighted that Dr Anthony Payne, famous for finishing Elgar's 3<sup>rd</sup> symphony, ran a composition workshop for our students - genuinely a once in a lifetime opportunity. After a quick coffee break, we then had the chance to wander round the 'Treasures' collection, which includes the Magna Carta, original scores of Beethoven, Chopin and other famous composers and original folios of Shakespeare.



The students as ever were impeccably behaved and we are thankful to the British Library for such a wonderful day out.

Rebecca Clarey (Head of Music)

#### Year 11 Prefect Retreat to Battersea

On Friday 12th October, in the fabulous St. Michael Rua Hall, Battersea, our prefect team had the privilege of going on a retreat to meet with two other Salesian school prefect teams, Salesian Battersea and Farnborough. After a few icebreaker activities, we

A safe, new pedestrian access, via a new toucan witnesses, as well as their closing speeches. So far, the discussed how to make ourselves better role models and student leaders within our community. The one and only Fr. Andrew, a priest at Battersea and past teacher here at Salesian, then enlightened us on the character of our founder: St. John Bosco. We delved into what made him a brilliant leader for so many of the children he guided, and how we could project that onto ourselves in our own roles as Prefects. After this, we were delighted to meet the Provincial of the Salesians, Fr Gerry Briody, the head Salesian priest in England who spoke to us further about our roles as not only students but also as co-authors in our education and school environment. He then proceeded to use teachings from Lao Tzu, a famous Chinese philosopher, on how to be a good role model for the rest of our school community. Once finished, we all reconvened with each other (with snacks and drinks...because that's very important!) so we could get to know one another and form new friendships with members of other schools. The experience was rewarding; we were inspired by the wider Salesian body to discover more about what it takes to be a Salesian leader.

Cameron Makin (Head Boy) & Lottie Fry (Head Girl)

### **CAFOD Youth Leadership Training** Programme 2018 – 2019

On Tuesday 9th October, I took two of our Year 13 students, Ella Mcloughlin and Juan Campos Olcina, to embark on the first of three training sessions.



Our students joined 56 students from various schools across the South, including our cousins from Salesian College Farnborough at Oaklands Catholic School and Sixth Form College, Hampshire for the event.

The group were addressed by Sarah Burrows (CAFOD Youth Leadership Co-ordinator) and Jo Lewry (CAFOD Community Participation Co-ordinator, Portsmouth Diocese). Students engaged in various learning activities to understand better the history, nature, purpose and goal of CAFOD.

Icebreaker activities encouraged the eight or more schools to mix, learn about the work of CAFOD and to appreciate the qualities and characteristics of good leadership. Students then shared ideas as to how they could implement what they had learned in their own colleges, through prayer, raising awareness and fundraising.

My thanks to Ella and Juan whose enthusiasm and willingness to represent Salesian Sixth Form College was greatly appreciated.

#### **ACN 6th Form Conference**



The inaugural Aid to the Church In Need (ACN) 6th Form Conference took place on Thursday 11th October at the London Oratory School, Fulham. The event afforded students an opportunity to hear a first-hand testimony of a Christian persecuted for her Faith as well as reflect on the role of faith and personal freedom.

The first guest speaker was Sr. Luma Khudher OP, an Iraqi Dominican sister of Catherine of Siena. She holds both a Masters and a PhD in Biblical Studies and is a lecturer at Babel College for Philosophy and Theology in Erbil, Iraq and is a summer instructor at Catholic Theological Union in Chicago, USA. Sr Luna has had first-hand experience of persecution, having had to flee Qaraqosh, and has worked with Internally Displaced Person (IDPs) in Erbil and Dohuk.

The second guest speaker was Rev. Dr. Andrew Pinsent, a former particle physicist who has worked at the CERN project in Switzerland and with Sir Tim Berners-Lee, the inventor of the World Wide Web. Now a Catholic priest, he writes and lectures in and around Oxford. He spoke about reason, faith, science and the relationship between the three, drawing links between Sacred Scripture, the Greek philosopher Aristotle and St. Augustine. The day concluded with Mass in the London Oratory School Chapel, presided over by their school chaplain Fr. George, with hymns sung by the London Oratory Schola Cantorum.

The aim of the day was to inform the students about the scale of the problem of religious persecution, in the context of the 1948 United Nations Universal Declaration of Human Rights and British Values. Students had the opportunity to attend workshops, which linked the freedom of religion to topics pertinent to A-Level Philosophy & Ethics, Theology, History and Sociology.

We were the most well represented of all the visiting schools. My profound gratitude to each of the 17 students from Year 12 and Year 13 of Salesian Sixth Form College who attended the event.

#### Make Some Noise 2018

On Friday 28<sup>th</sup> September, along with Miss Nelson, I took a group of our Year 9 pupils to Thornleigh Salesian College for the third "Make Some Noise" gathering. This event, organised by the Salesian Youth Ministry Team, is open to young people from Salesian schools and parishes as well as other institutions with a Salesian connection.



Leaving Chertsey on the Friday, we travelled by minibus to Bolton. After a range of evening icebreaker activities, the young people had an experience of worship, including singing, music and silent Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

The following morning, everyone went to the Chapel for Morning Prayer before enjoying a series of fairground attraction, activities and games in order to facilitate a greater sense of belonging to the wider Salesian family. After the concluding Mass, pupils returned to Guildford Road Saturday evening.

I am grateful for the fantastic attitude of our Year 9 students and for the terrific support of Miss Nelson. Fr Marco Villani (Chaplain / Teacher of RE)

#### European Languages Day Euro Bake Off

What a stunning array of cakes our students baked and designed, raising £290 for the Ashalayam Project on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> October in the 'Euro Bake Off' cake sale.



Everyone who entered was awarded with 5 house points each, with our best bakes being presented to the following talented students:

1st Prize: Ashleigh Arundel, Maddison Tanner, Izabella Gomes (71 Mazarrello) 2nd Prize: Blanca Martinez de Eulate (71 Mazarrello) & Robin Crowley (72 Savio) 3rd Prize: Rachel Lightfoot & Isabelle Waspe & Charlotte Norfolk (72 Rinaldi)

Best cupcake bake: Lauren Pullen, Saskia Maynard (71 Mazzarrello) Best professional bake: Sonia Kaszynska, Jess McCarthy & Nell Szubska (71/2 Mazarrello) Best comedy bake: James Lawton (71 Mazarrello) & Conor Newman (71 Zatti)

Cris Mourelle (Head of MFL)

#### **Chertsey Maths Challenge**

On Monday 1st October, Miss Kekkouri and I took pupils from Year groups 7-10 to compete in the Chertsey Maths Challenge at Sir William Perkins School. This is an area competition where local schools bring teams to work through a set of activities including problem solving, space and shape, and logic. The event offers the students another way to express and develop their enjoyment of mathematics, alongside using their communication and teamwork skills.



Our team for the day were Emily Izzo, Rory Niewiarowski and Laurence Challenger from Year 7. Graciene Mamangun, Hollie Driscoll and Francesca Holgate from Year 8. Olivia Izzo, Fergus Keane and Joey Melham from Year 9. Ethan Brown, Helen Soane, Alesio Pacitti and Katie McLeod in Year 10. All had an excellent afternoon and our Year 9's came 3<sup>rd</sup> in their year group competition.

Alice Peterkin (KS<sub>3</sub> Maths Coordinator)

#### Extra-Curricular Clubs

Science club has got off to an excellent start this year. This is a tremendous opportunity for pupils to take part in exciting and sometimes explosive practical's outside of class and to investigate how science works in everyday life; adding depth to their learning. Every week is a different theme through Biology, Chemistry and Physics. We've made lava lamps, discovered how butterfly's drink, how sharks smell blood and even lit fire bubbles in our hands! After half term, we will be getting out the Van der Graaf generator and making bath bombs for Christmas. Science club runs every

Tuesday after school from 3:30 - 4:15pm and is open to all year 7 students(band 1 in week A and band 2 week B)

#### **Celebrating Our Students**

**Isabel Clark (Year 7)** along with her dance team competed in the senior section of the national final of 'Can You Dance' in Liverpool gaining 2<sup>nd</sup> place. A huge well done!



**Keira Dandjinou (Year 7)** for fantastic practical work and effort in Electronics.

**Holly Thompson (Year 7)** for fantastic practical work, effort in Electronics and contribution to the department.

**Jakub Musial (Year 7**) for outstanding contribution to Technology.

**Ella Brittan, Emily Geraghty, Izzy Pearson (Year 8)** have completed a mistake free piece of writing in French.

**Emily Spink & Mia Andreou (Year 8)** for fantastic practical work and effort in Electronics.

**Daniel Bourdais (Year 8)** for an amazing Architecture final piece in DT.

Sam Clark (Year 8) for an amazing Architecture final piece in DT.

**Rebecca Jones (Year 8)** for producing fantastic practical work and being helpful with others in DT.

**Brent Oba (Year 8)** for fantastic teamwork and being really helpful in DT.

Nicola Howie, Rebecca King, Joey Melham (Year 9) for a fantastic Graphics rotation of outstanding work and effort!

**Lola Mausolle (Year 9)** for being so enthusiastic and for such fantastic effort in Textiles.

Jamie Kolmer (Year 9) for her outstanding effort and talent in DT.

**Jasmine Bold (Year 9)** for being hardworking and helpful in DT.

**Tara Packham (Year 9)** for her improved confidence levels in DT.

**Calvin Feliciano (Year 10)** for showing aspiration and resilience in History.

**Maddison Hinton (Year 10)** for impeccable practical in Food preparation & Nutrition GCSE.

Conor Allan, Megan Carter, Miguel Delfinado, Jesse Francis, Joseph Freire, Abigail Hall, Taylor Hinton, Anabella Hopkins, Wavua Kimondiu, Rory Lynch, Megan McGlynn, Isabelle McQuillan, Imogen Milnes, Salvatore Raval, Lily Reakes, Matthew Sandfort, Olivia Woods (Year 10) our reading mentors who are doing a great job supporting Year 7 students with their reading.

**Dominic Glynn in (Year 10)** for great enthusiasm and being helpful to others in DT.

Luke Goldstraw (Year 12) for outstanding effort in all areas of his DT course - both practical and theory.

#### **Sporting News**

#### <u>Netball</u>

On 8<sup>th</sup> of October our Year 8 A and B team hosted a netball match against Heathside. Both teams played well with the A's losing by just 3 goals in a very low scoring game and the B's winning their game a commendable 11-3. The Player of the Match selected by the opposition for the A team was Alice Hannan for her great defending and Alice Grimes in the B team for her consistent shooting throughout the game. The girls were exceptional and we are proud of the huge effort they put into their games.

played away at Woking High in a league game. The A's unfortunately had a tough game against a very strong team and as a result lost 19-7. However, they played admirably and fought hard to the final whistle. The B team match was a closer game at the start but soon led to Woking High putting on the pressure, which in the end resulted in Salesian losing 10-4. The girls worked to the end but on this occasion, it wasn't our day of glory. Player of the A team was given to Ella Townsend and Player of the B's was given to Sophie Swindell. Well done to all who played!

On 15th of October, our Year 8's played away at Fullbrook. This was a very close game with Salesian taking the lead after half time. Throughout the numerous lay-up's used and successful turnovers, Salesian came out on top winning 16-14. Player of the Match was deservedly awarded to Hannah O'Riordan-Owino for her consistent shooting and great lay-up's throughout. These girls fought for their win all the way with a positive mental attitude. Well Done Girls!

# Lisa O'Brien (Head of House / Sports Coach)

#### Rugby

Team	Opposition	Result
Year 7	Holyport College	Won 20 – 5
Year 7	Chertsey High	Won 20 – 15
Year 7	Independent School Regional Tournament	12 <sup>th</sup> Place
Year 8	Holyport College	Won 35 – 5
Year 9	Holyport College	Won 60 – 15
Year 10	Holyport College	Won 17 – 0
Year 10	Windsor Boys School	Won 32 – 7
Year 11	George Abbot	Lost 17 – 14
1 <sup>st</sup> XV	SJB	Won 63 – 0
1 <sup>st</sup> XV	Glynn	Lost 35 – 14

This half term over 130 boys have represented us in a very successful start to the season. The above results are the past fortnight games where the boys have been phenomenally successful with a clean sweep over Holyport College, convincing win over Windsor Boys and a emphatic win against a certain SJB from Woking. Thanks to all the parents, staff and students for making our rugby programme so successful.

Chris Browne (Head of Year 10/Head of Rugby)

# **Getting to Know Our Teachers**



Rosie Nagle Head of Maths

#### Current position in school

I am currently Head of Maths, responsible for Year 7 to 11. For me the most important aspect of my role is ensuring that every student moves on from Year 11 having made the most progress possible for them in their Maths, alongside supporting their teachers within the Maths department.

#### How I got into teaching

After leaving University, I took up a place on a consultancy graduate scheme with IBM but after 18 months of sitting behind a desk I realised it wasn't for me. Deep down I always wanted to be a teacher and so took the first steps in exploring a career change. A family member organised a visit for me at Salesian and following a short tour with Ms Lalli and a chat with Mr Kibble, I was left in no doubt that, teaching was for me. I applied that afternoon, had an interview the next

On 16th of October, our Year 8 A and B netball team week and have never looked back. I have thoroughly money will go to our house charities and school enjoyed my journey from trainee, to KS4 coordinator and 2<sup>nd</sup> in Maths before taking on the role of Head of Maths this year.

#### Why I love my job

I am lucky enough to work with some of the best teachers in the country and now some of my best friends. Everyone is so supportive, creative and ambitious - both for themselves and the students, which creates such a buzz. Every day has new challenges but I rarely go two minutes without smiling and the knowledge that every day you have made a positive difference is priceless.

Interested in a teaching career? Contact Joanne Hawkins <u>ihawkins@salesian.surrey.sch.uk</u> or visit our website www.teachsoutheast.co.uk

#### Teacher's Got Talent



On the evening of Wednesday 17th October, students, teachers and some parents joined us at Highfield Road to witness some hidden talent amongst our teachers. The Spice Girls were in town (Miss Moore, Miss Nelson, Miss Cella, Miss Hunt and Miss Peterkin), who were full of fire and spice, and the Backstreet Boys, made up of our very own Mr Goldberg, Mr Kent, Mr Weedon, Mr De Glanville, Mr Roberts and Mr McDowell. I think some hearts were broken! We also had Miss O'Neill performing a stunning rendition of Adele's Make You Feel My Love. Miss Wynter and Mrs Kandola Bhangra-ing to Punjabi M.C. (yes, really!)

It wasn't all music and dance though, Mr Legrand and Mr Roberts attempting to make us laugh! Mrs Milligan and Mrs Kandola competed to be the fastest person to make an omelette (Saturday Kitchen Live anyone?), and Mr Batt impressed with his many impressions of some of our beloved staff. Pharrell Williams and Bruno Mars were in the house in the form of Mr Bryce and his band (Mr Hayter, Miss Wynter, Mr Browne, Mr Keeling, Mr Delaney and Mr Peed) keeping us 'Happy' and '(Uptown) funky'. Mr Hunt performed some mystifying magic tricks to the students during the interval. Who could forget Father Marco and Mrs Hibbins-Durkin lovely flute playing and Mr Keeling and Mrs Kusiak who waltzed their way to perfection with Tchaikovsky's 'Waltz of the Flower's'. Finally we ended the night with Dr Okon, giving us a beautiful rendition of Don Williams' 'You're my best friend', accompanied ever so sensitively by Mr Hunt on the guitar and harmonica. Overall, it was a terrific / crazy / brilliant / bizarre evening that was full of fun, and the curious comments from our very own judges Rhea Premi & Harrison Barnard from Year 13, Rachel Fernandes & Callum Mitchell from Year 12 who made it even more of a hoot.

In the end, the three best acts were awarded to: 3rd place Mr Roberts (comedy) 2<sup>nd</sup> place Backstreet Boys but the winner for Teacher's Got Talent 2018 went to Miss O'Neill. Congratulations all on a fab night of entertainment, and thank you to all who came to help/witness this bonkers evening! On top of all the madness, we managed to raise over £500. This

projects.

Darcey Wynter, (KS3 / Music Academy Music Coordinator)

#### Salesian Parents' Association (SPA)

A positive start to the school year, with a fantastic turnout for our first meeting with lots of new faces and ideas! Our next meeting is on 30th October, 7:15pm at our Guildford Road site and everyone is welcome!

The projects that we are fundraising for this year are a new mini bus and a bespoke outside gym. Both projects require substantial funds hence we are looking for as much support as possible. If you know/work for a company that would be able to sponsor these projects or you have any ideas, get in touch 01932 582539 or spa@salesian.surrey.sch.uk

Finally, the SPA would like to extend a huge THANK YOU to parents and families that have contributed to fundraising that has enabled us to make a difference to our children's experience in school:

- A state of art Laser Cutter (DT)
- Outside seating for new canopy area (Whole School)
- 8 Table Tennis Tables (PE/ Whole School)
- 16 Light Box Drawing Boards (DT)
- Handheld Recorder with Wi-F (Music)
- Two microphone and speaker units (Whole School)
- Two specialised White Boards (Maths / IT)
- Theatre in the Box (Drama)
- Multi IPAD charger (Science)
- Resources for New Reading Room

#### Dates for the diary

22<sup>nd</sup> November 2018 - Christmas Shopping Event 6pm

15th March 2019 - Irish Night - live Band 27th April 2019 - Hog Roast and Barn Dance

#### Tesco Bags of Help

Holy Family Primary School who are one of our feeder schools and part of the Xavier CET are aiming to create a community sensory garden, complete with small café, on the school site to help benefit the well-being and mental health of children, staff, parents and community members.

They have been successful in earning a place on the Tesco Bags of Help scheme, whereby shoppers can vote for their project throughout November & December. Votes can be submitted in all Tesco stores in Addlestone, Chertsey, East Molesey, Hersham Hurst Park, Weybridge and Walton on Thames.

We would be very grateful if you could support their project by popping any blue tokens into the Holy Family Community Sensory Garden slot.

Many thanks in anticipation of your support

#### Staff Training with IRIS

IRIS is a technology system that is used in many schools, including Salesian to assist with professional development. It allows teachers to film their own teaching and then view it with their coach in order to agree what aspects of their teaching needs improvement. The footage focuses on the teacher rather than the students and is stored on a secured drive on the school's system. All filming and photography carried out at Salesian has, since the start of this year, had to comply with strict school policy. Please contact Mr Gower or Mr Bryce if you would like further details.