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DEPARTMENTAL ACTIVITIES AND DISPLAYS

ART/PHOTOGRAPHY
Rooms 31, 32 & 33

Staff and students will be available to discuss the curriculum on offer and the art club. Examples of work will be displayed in the three art rooms, on walls and in sketchbooks.

Follow us on our Art Instagram page, to see examples of artwork across all Key Stages: sma_liverpool_art_department

COMPUTER SCIENCE AND ICT
Room 39

Work from all years in the school can be seen this evening. Activities will give a taste of our Computing curriculum at KS3 and the IT and Computer Science KS4 courses. Meet some of our students who will be using a wide range of applications including multimedia.

DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY
Design Technology Department

A range of activities can be seen in our Technology Suite. There are various demonstrations of our tools and machinery; you will be able to see our excellent equipment such as laser cutters and 3D printers.

ENGLISH
Room 7

A variety of recent students' work, schemes of learning and resources is on display. The range of resources demonstrates our commitment to ensure that each student can access a rich and diverse literary journey during their time at St Margaret's. English teachers will be running activities that will let you explore your creative skills.

FOOD & NUTRITION
Food & Nutrition Suite

Why not visit our Food & Nutrition room where students will be cooking up various dishes and giving out free samples!

GEOGRAPHY
Room 52

A range of activities, books, displays, games, and items can be seen in the Geography Department. You can become an investigator and use the clues in the classroom to solve the mystery question. Talk to current students and find out what we learn about in the Geography Department and take away with you our programme of study. You can view a range of exercise books.

HISTORY
Room 40

A range of displays and activities covering all units of the Key Stage 3 course, with particular emphasis on Year 7. Exercise books and textbooks, from all ability sets can be viewed together with other resources. Current Year 7 students will be on hand to talk about the topics taught this year.

LEARNING FOR LIFE
Room 28

Mr Farquharson, Head of Learning for Life, is available throughout the evening. There will be a display of current work booklets and Power Points used in the teaching of "Learning for Life". Videos seen by students during the "Learning for Life" programme will also be available for viewing.

<p>LEARNING RESOURCES CENTRE</p>	<p>The Learning Resources Centre is a must on your visit list. In addition to over 6,500 books, there are 32 networked computers, all with internet and e-mail access. The main computer area may be booked by staff for whole class use, whilst the smaller room is generally used for reading groups.</p>
<p>MATHEMATICS Room 21</p>	<p>At St Margaret's we aim to empower all students to develop and apply mathematical processes and skills for use in academic pursuit as well as for the sheer love and appreciation of the beauty and the power of maths. Day after day we're striving to shape happy, confident, and resilient learners who discover that maths brings an exciting journey of discovery, understanding – and a lifetime of opportunities.</p> <p>We adopt a mastery approach with one set of mathematical concepts and big ideas for all. The emphasis is on empowering students to notice, make connections, explain, conjecture, prove and build on foundation knowledge and skills acquired at each stage of their education. Challenge is provided through depth rather than acceleration – beliefs in line with the current 'National Centre for Excellence in the Teaching Mathematics' drive on 'Mastery' as well as the national curriculum's philosophy that progression should always be based on the security of pupils' understanding. Depth of understanding and retrieval of knowledge are always prioritised, and students will be engaged with more rich and sophisticated problems that require them to delve into their toolkit of mathematical techniques.</p>
<p>MODERN FOREIGN LANGUAGES Room 1</p>	<p>The Department run a Café on a French/Spanish theme. You are more than welcome to try out our delicacies and even better if you can ask for them in one of the languages! Course books and interactive games will be on display. You will also be able to take part in a variety of language-based activities. Current Year 7 students will be present to answer any of your questions.</p>
<p>MUSIC Room 35 & 36</p>	<p>Advice and help will be on hand from students and Music staff. Small groups of students will perform at regular intervals during the evening throughout the school. There will also be an opportunity to use the electronic keyboards, play the electric guitar. You will also be able to gather information about peripatetic tuition, extra-curricular activities, and our GCSE courses.</p>
<p>PHYSICAL EDUCATION Cricket and Sports Centre - accessed through the Sixth Form Centre</p>	<p>The Department will be based in the Cricket and Sports Centre this evening. Here, you will have opportunity to look at the extensive fitness and training facilities we have and that your son will have access to for his PE lessons and extra-curricular programme.</p> <p>We will be showcasing a number of sporting activities that you can come and get involved in, sampling some of what we do in SMA Physical Education. Information will be available about courses and extra-curricular activities. Photographs are displayed in the department and trophies may be seen in the Entrance Hall.</p>
<p>RELIGIOUS STUDIES Room 29</p>	<p>At St. Margaret's our Religious Studies curriculum is based on 'The Big Story' - linking to a visual display in all our RS classrooms. Members of the Department will be available to discuss how this prepares students to achieve both in RS and gain greater understanding of the world around them. Visitors will be able to take part in an interactive exploration of religious artefacts from across the globe. Examples of work from students will also be on display. The RS syllabus will be available for inspection.</p>

<p>SCIENCE Rooms 16 and 19</p>	<p>The Science department will have a range of experiments for you to try which will give you an insight into the different pieces of Science equipment you will be using in our school. We will also have a range of students' exercise books on display for you to have a look through and Science staff to answer any questions on our curriculum.</p>
<p>SCHOOL CHAPLAINS School Chapel</p>	<p>The school missional chaplains Matt and Becky work for St James in the City and provide lunch time and after school groups for students to enjoy. They run a Christian Union, Football sessions and games groups for the students to enjoy. Please come and visit and find out more!</p>
<p>SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS Room 42 and Wellbeing Room</p>	<p>Acting SEND Managers are available for discussions between 5.30pm and 7.30pm.</p>