

## Year 7 Welcome Mass

On Tuesday afternoon this week, our new Year Seven students, along with many of their parents, carers and families, gathered together in the College Hall to celebrate Mass.

The theme for our Mass was *"Building a community of faith, hope and love"*. It was an exciting time for our children who, through readings, music and drama, reflected upon how they could build on the firm foundations that they had made at their primary schools, so that each of them could become an active part of the SJP family, a community that reflects the gospel values of faith, hope and love. Thank you to everyone who made our celebration so special, especially Fr Nick Kern and Fr Ned Wall who celebrated mass with us.

## Year 8 Coastal Walk

This week, 42 Year 8 students, Miss Smith and Mr Klabou set out on a Geography Coastal Field Trip to examine processes and landforms studied in LP 1 Coasts.

The day began in Lower Heswall, with a walk along the Wirral Way, through Heswall Fields and down onto the beach. Here, pupils studied cliff erosion, identified rocks and competed in a scavenger hunt to identify 10 shoreline objects.

The sun came out after lunch at Thurstaston Visitors Centre and it was ice creams for everyone, as the walk continued along the coast to West Kirby beach.

A range of physical and human Geographical features were identified along the way and, with a sandcastle competition to end the day, everyone travelled back to SJP having had a thoroughly enjoyable time.



## STOP PRESS: OLYMPIC WIN FOR SJP



Congratulations to two pupils — Mark Mazier 8SB & Allysha Billington 8JB, who have won a Get Set Education competition and will be visiting the Olympic Park 2012 in London on Tuesday 13th October as their prize. Watch this space for a full report when they return!  
Well done!

## Work Experience—Year 10

**Monday, 28th June  
to  
Friday, 2nd July 2010**

All Year 10 pupils will receive their Self-Placement form by Monday 5th October 2009 concerning next year's Work Experience Week.

All parents/carers will receive a letter regarding work experience during the course of next week. Due to the planning and preparation required to ensure that work experience runs smoothly, in particular Health & Safety checks, all completed forms must be returned to College by:

**Friday 11th December 2009**

Please feel free to contact Mr Harrison at the College for further advice.

### Parents & Friends of Plessington (PFOP)

The next meeting will take place on Tuesday 10 November at 7pm in the College Staff Room.  
All welcome.

## OCR Business Studies Club

The Business Studies Department is continuing to run the after-school club this academic year every Tuesday from 3.30pm to 4.30pm for all Business Studies students.

The aim is to support pupils with their course of study by providing an opportunity to complete their portfolio work, homework tasks, conduct independent research, or improve the quality of their assignments with dedicated teacher support and guidance, thus ensuring all students go on to maximise their GCSE grade.

## "Walk to School Week"

Walk to School Week takes place 5th—9th October 2009. Students who wish to take part in this week can get a pedometer from their Learning Coach and record how many miles they walk to and from school within the week.

## Free Book for Year 7 Pupils

All students that have recently joined Year 7 are entitled to choose a **free** book of their choice from the 12 specially selected titles that are on display in the College Library, and have been written by some of our favourite children's authors.

This is the third year that our College has run this extremely popular campaign, which is supported by the DCFS, encouraging children to read for pleasure. All pupils will be receiving a leaflet which contains reviews about the books, as well as help and advice on selecting the books. All orders can be given to form tutors.



## Year 10 Textiles

Pupils from Mrs Stearne and Mrs Thomson's Year 10 textiles classes went to St. John's Primary school this week, where they gathered research for their GCSE coursework.

Students are designing play bibs for young children so the pupils at St. Johns formed the clients for the project.

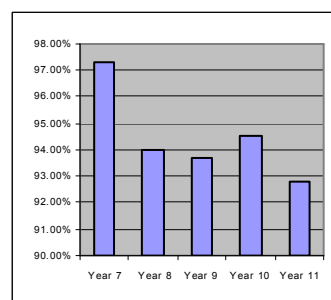
The year 10 students spent the time getting to know the pupils likes and dislikes and taking measurements to make sure the play bibs fit perfectly. When the bibs are completed they will be presented to the pupils to use in school for painting and crafts.



## Attendance

Attendance figures up to 02.10.09

Year 7	- 97.3%
Year 8	- 94.0%
Year 9	- 93.7%
Year 10	- 94.5%
Year 11	- 92.8%



## Year 8 Football Report

### SJP v Beb High

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> September was SJP's Year 8 football team's first match against Beb High. We started well but as the first half progressed Beb managed to score 3 before Joe Murray scored to make it 3-1. Beb then scored again to make it 4-1.

Mr Nunnery made some changes for the second half which let us perform much better and certain individuals stood out such as Tom Morgan, Callum Flynn, Joe Murray and Matthew Doogan. Altogether the team played well but missed some chances.

Trials are on Tuesday lunch time and after school if you want to play for us and help us improve, then bring your full kit including boots and shin pads.

Joe Murray 8VP

## Sixth Form Football Report

### Sixth Form v Chester

The boys set out in their first game with a powerful and fast start right from the kick off. They applied pressure in every position forcing Chester to make many mistakes leading to goal scoring chances for us. At half time the score was 0-0 but we were well in control, during the second half Chester came back in the game and had a few chances of their own, SJP played a lovely move on the hour mark which results in Billy Richards narrowly missing. Break through happened during extra time, with John Skipsey opening the scoring with a cool finish after a great through ball. Nine minutes later the game was level with a defensive mix up. The game went into penalties. The outcome SJP, lost 5-4 on penalties. A brilliant display from all the boys with an outstanding performance from Tom Tudor.

### Sixth Form v Beb High

The second match of the year for Sixth Form and another frustrating evening. The boys dominated from start to finish with Bebington limited to just one clear cut chance. SJP went close with shots from Charlie MacInnes and Joel Belmar both testing the keeper. Our defence were well on top and it felt like just a matter of time before the goal came. Unfortunately the goal did not come and SJP left a very frustrated team. Many positive points—mostly SJPs attacking patterns of play and with a few more matches the boys will begin to pick up the points. A strong performance by all with Charlie MacInnes and Joe Williams.

## Birkenhead Netball League

Congratulations to the SJP Panthers who won their 3<sup>rd</sup> game of the season against Impulse. They finished with a 17-11 result. They have started the season extremely well.

Player of the match – Alex Scollins 11MT

**Squad:** Megan Gallagher (11MT), Shannon Reid (11OR), Becky Lunt (11MT), Sian Bilko (11SB), Danielle Boughey (11SB), Alex Scollins (11MT), Olivia Webster (11VP) and Emily Guttridge (10).



## Year 10 Football Report

Despite missing some key players for this first round cup game, confidence appeared high amongst the year 10 team. The game began well for SJP with a goal inside the first 10 minutes from Dominic Crossley. This was shortly followed up with a second and third goal from Daniel Hamner which gave the year tens a comfortable 3-0 half-time lead.

However, the second half started poorly for SJP with 2 goals conceded within the first 15 minutes. The team defended well for the rest of the half against what proved in the end to be a very good Kirkby side. With 1 minute to go and just a goal behind Kirkby won a corner which after being initially cleared was then smashed in off the crossbar to send the game into extra time.

There were limited chances during extra time and the game eventually finished 3-3 sending the game to penalties. Unfortunately, despite an outstanding display, the year ten team were beaten in sudden death sending them out of the competition.

The man of the match award was given to Dominic Crossley for an outstanding all round display.



## Foreign Affairs

### Languages Corner

Think you know your Spanish numbers?  
See if you can unscramble the words for  
these Spanish numbers!

1. ieste \_\_\_\_\_
2. ocde \_\_\_\_\_
3. cdeiioochi \_\_\_\_\_
4. iveent \_\_\_\_\_
5. hnoceat \_\_\_\_\_

Remember that all of your Spanish  
and French numbers can be found in  
the back of your planners, along with  
the days of the week and months of  
the year! So you never have to spell  
the date wrong again - whatever lan-  
guage you are writing in!

Answers:  
1. siete (seven) 2. doce (twelve) 3. dieciocho (eighteen)  
4. veinte (twenty) 5. ochenta (eighty)

## Puzzle Corner

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## Mathematics Revision

Classes will take place each  
**Tuesday 15.30 - 16.15**

## Theme for the Week: "AGE"



Aren't people strange?

Teenagers like to think, act and try to look older  
than they really are. We never ask a lady just  
how old she is. When Middle aged people get  
to a "certain" age they are more inclined to  
think of themselves as younger than they really  
are.

While grandmas and grandpas and older  
people boast about just how old they are.

Jesus tells us that whatever age we are, unless  
we become like little children, we will not enter  
the kingdom of God.

He telling us that just as children are open and  
trusting, so should we be, at what ever age we  
are at, simply trusting in God as our Father who  
loves us .

*Loving Father*

*Your love for us is enormous.*

*Help us to place our total confidence in you, so  
that our anxieties and worries will not cloud our  
minds and that we will only think about your  
love for us and the love that we should have for  
others*