



SJP Experience

St Cassian's Centre, Kintbury

As part of the SJP Sixth Form Experience, ten of our students went on a four day experience to St Cassian's Centre in Kintbury, Berkshire. There, they joined students from three other schools from different areas of the country.

During their stay, our students were given a unique opportunity to simply focus on themselves and the direction that they were taking in life, as well as the people and values in life that were important to them. There was also a lot of fun, good food and many new friendships made.



Year 11 Media Workshop

Year 11 took part in an all day Media Workshop learning how to make a short film. In the morning pupils became familiar with basic filming and editing techniques, before planning their short film which was filmed and edited in the afternoon. The students worked incredibly hard throughout the day to produce some excellent work. There was some outstanding teamwork in action in order to reach the challenging deadlines and many new skills were learned throughout the day. It was a thoroughly enjoyable and rewarding experience.

Comments from Parents Evening

"Amazing support as always. Thank you"

"It's wonderful to have one to one feedback with subject teachers."

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Year 10 Drama Workshop

The Drama Workshop was focused on developing leadership skills and was led by staff from the Everyman Theatre. Pupils used drama skills to explore their personal hopes and concerns for the future and then discussed ways forward and set individual action plans in the form of a letter addressed "Dear future, I am looking forward to you because....". Each pupil then created still images which represented a five year journey and highlighted personal ups and downs. Throughout the session it was fantastic to see pupils that had not studied drama recently engaging in the tasks, developing confidence, exploring the medium of drama and generally having fun performing.



Year 10 Radio Workshop

A group of Year 10 budding radio stars have just completed a fantastic two day workshop facilitated by professionals from 7 Waves Radio. The students were divided into 3 teams, who each formed their own radio station. Each new station then had the task of planning and producing their own 35 minute radio show from scratch, including news, sports, weather, travel and of course the all important music! The workshop was a great introduction to the world of radio and could potentially have uncovered some future radio personalities.



Chester Zoo

Year 12 students visited Chester Zoo on the same day that a new Black Rhino was born! Applied Science students had the opportunity to gather information for their coursework while everyone else learnt about the role of the zoo in the conservation of the painted dogs. In the afternoon there was time to go and see the painted dogs themselves as well as the baby giraffe born at the start of the week!



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Year 12 City Challenge Chester

The aim was to earn points for correct answers and the team with the highest score would be the winning team. The students had to work as a group to plan and navigate their way around Chester. They had to listen to everyone, manage conflict and involve everyone in the team. The complex clues involved travelling the sights of Chester like the Roman Amphitheatre and the City Walls. They had to work out the answers to such clues like, 'Where will you find a Charcoal Black and Bonney Gray?' and 'How long did it take the galloping man to ride around the city wall?'



Year 9 Experience

This week saw Year 9 pupils take part in SJP Experience. They participated in a range of activities organised and delivered by members of the English department along with some invited guests. Pupils were given the opportunity to voice their opinions on a range of issues during their sessions with the fantastic 'Debate Mate' team. Working alongside 'Hip-Hop Shakespeare' our pupils were able to write and perform their own poetry whilst also being entertained by some wonderful beat poetry.

Meanwhile, over a hundred Year 9 pupils got the chance to visit JMU in Liverpool. Pupils were given an insight into what to expect when they enter the exciting world of university.

The English Department themselves ran several workshops giving pupils the chance to become detectives in the 'Murder Mystery' and encouraging their entrepreneurial spirit with our own version of 'The Apprentice'.







West Side Story

**SJP PRESENTS
SONGS AND SCENES FROM**

**WEST
SIDE
STORY**

TUESDAY 16TH OCTOBER & WEDNESDAY 17TH OCTOBER 2012
AT 6.30PM - TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM RECEPTION

Literacy Corner

Can you solve these Literacy Riddles?

What is greater than God,
more evil than the devil,
the poor have it,
the rich need it,
and if you eat it, you'll die?

What occurs once in every minute, twice in
every moment, yet never in a thousand years?

If you know the answers, see

Mrs Connolly for a prize!



Operation Christmas Child



Please remember, we are packing shoe boxes for Operation Christmas Child. If you would like to be involved in this year's appeal and pack a shoe box yourself please bring it to the Reception here in College before 2nd November 2012.

Book of the Month

'There were dozens of us on the ship, all ages, boys and girls, and we were all up on deck for the leaving of Liverpool; Gulls wheeling and crying over our heads, calling goodbye. We were off to Australia but it might as well have been the moon.'

This is a stunning book. The world of six year old orphan, Arthur Hobhouse is turned upside down when he is separated from his sister Kitty and shipped off to Australia after the Second World War.

Thinking he would be starting a new, happy life with a loving family tragedy ensues when, on arrival he is sent to a sheep station in the outback. Here Arthur, along with the other boys, was treated like a slave until he finally manages to escape. Throughout this story Arthur is determined that one day he will be reunited with Kitty.

In true Morpurgo style this book will take you on an emotional roller-coaster that you will not be able to tear yourself away from. An utterly compelling read for both children and adults.



Netball News



Year 9 and 10 Netball

Congratulations to both the Year 9 and Year 10 netball teams on starting their netball season with a victory. We welcomed pupils from UAB last Thursday and both SJP teams played superbly. The Year 9 team came away with a win of 12-6 and the Year 10s celebrated an 18-6 win. Both teams will take on Wirral Grammar School for Girls this Tuesday.

Year 7 and 8 Netball

Well done to the Year 7 and 8 netball team who played against UAB last Wednesday. It was the Year 7 team's first game; they ended up losing by 3 goals but played very well and have a good foundation to build upon for their next game. The Year 8 team played extremely well beating a mixed Year 8 and 9 team 7-4. This was the best that the team have played so far so we are hoping for a very good season.



Sports Stars



Michael Kelly, Year 9, took to the waters at Salford Watersports Centre in an open water training session with Beijing silver medalist, Keri-Anne Payne. Keri-Anne Payne won an Olympic silver medal in Beijing in 2008 for the 10K Open Water Swim as well as the World Championship open water gold medal in Rome in 2009. She regained her World Title in Shanghai in 2011 and also came fourth in this year's London 2012 Olympics. So Michael certainly was in exalted company.

On a freezing cold day Michael took to the water in a coaching session where he gleaned many tips from Kerri-Anne which Michael hopes to use in his future career in Water Polo. Michael is soon to attend England trials for boys born in 1999 which will be held in Cardiff. It will prove to be a tough challenge as only boys from the regional training centres are selected to attend. Michael is the only boy from Merseyside attending the trials. Having trained and been coached by Olympic medallists, Michael is hoping his training will stand him in good stead for the selection process. One training session Michael swam 12,000m in the morning followed by a match in the afternoon. Tiring work? Absolutely! But Michael claims he had fun and learnt a great deal.

Coming Up

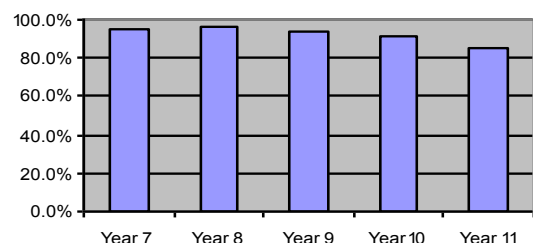
16th October - Open Morning

16th & 17th October - West Side Story

22nd October - 4th November - China Expedition

21st October - 25th October - New York Trip

Attendance - 01/10/12 - 05/10/12



Year 7 - 95.4% Year 8 - 96.3% Year 9 - 93.9%

Year 10 - 90.9% Year 11 - 85.6%

Language Corner



Spanish Challenge Quiénes – Guess who



Es profesora de español y francés pero es un poco loca. Tiene el pelo moreno, largo y liso. También tiene los ojos azules. En su pueblo hay algunas tiendas, una estación de trenes y un colegio. Claro vive en Bebington. No le gusta Bebington porque no hay un parque temático de Disneyland y le encanta Disney. Además tiene un pingüino que se llama Pingu. ¿Quién es?

Do you know which member of the MFL department is described above?

The first 5 people who bring the correct answer to Señora Smart in MFL 5 will receive a house point.

Maths Corner

Have you got



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A) I am a square number.
I am odd.
I am > 20 but < 50 .
7 is a factor.
What am I?

B) I am > 50 and < 90 .
I am even.
I have a multiple of 8.
24 is a factor.
What am I?



C) I am a prime number.
I am < 40 with 2 digits.
If you double me and take away 9 you get a square number.
What am I?

Solution for last week

Let the coin be x

$$\begin{aligned}(x/2) - 2 &= x/3 \\ 3(x/2) - 6 &= x \\ 3x/2 &= x + 6 \\ 3x &= 2x + 12\end{aligned}$$

$$X=12$$

Weekly Theme - 'Being Childlike'

Mark 10: 13-16

People were bringing little children to Jesus for him to place his hands on them, but the disciples rebuked them. When Jesus saw this, he was indignant. He said to them, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. Truly I tell you, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it." And he took the children in his arms, placed his hands on them and blessed them.

It's a funny old world isn't it? Teenagers like to imagine that they are older than they really are, middle aged people are more inclined to think of themselves as younger, while the elderly often boast about how old they are.

In this week's gospel, Jesus tells us that whatever age we are, unless we become like little children, we will not enter the kingdom of God. He is really telling us that we have to be like little children

who are open and trusting, knowing that God is our loving Father.

Almighty and eternal God

Your love for us surpasses all our hopes and dreams.

Help us to place our total confidence in you that worries may not cloud our minds and that we may think only of your love and the love we should have for others

Amen

