



# NEWSLETTER

## Sally Robinson Visit

In July 2017, twenty-three students from St John Plessington will travel to Kerala town in southern India, where they will trek, work and relax.

Our students have been preparing for their expedition since January 2016. This week, Sally Robinson from World Challenge joined visited SJP to help our challengers to prepare for their trip, and to let them know what to expect when they visit India. Sally's presentation included kit requirements, the type of food our challengers will eat and the importance of understanding the local dialect. Everybody left the session buoyant and excited, with the trip of a lifetime edging closer.



# Coming Up

## This Week - W/C 21.11.2016 (Week 1)

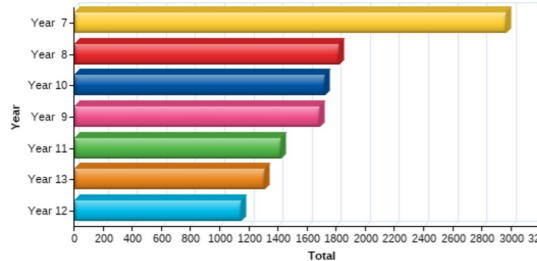
- Nov 21** GCSE Spanish Controlled Assessment Y11 Alpha  
Liverpool University Humanities Festival
- Nov 23** Mal Williams, Yr 13 Apprenticeship Talk  
UCAS Design Your Future Event  
University Of Liverpool School of the Arts Event  
PSHE P2  
Mini Big Bang Workshop @ Thornton Science Park
- Nov 24** GCSE Spanish Controlled Assessment Y11 Beta  
Jon Tonge - University of Liverpool
- Nov 25** Year 13 Cake Bake  
Full dress & technical rehearsal of the school pantomime, Aladdin

## Next Week - W/C 28.11.2016 (Week 2)

- Year 11 Alpha and Beta GCSE Biology ISA
- Nov 28** Full dress & technical rehearsal Aladdin  
Staff from Lancaster University coming in to do a lecture on essay writing
- Nov 30** Full dress & technical rehearsal Aladdin  
Whole School Pantomime of Aladdin
- Dec 01** Whole School Pantomime of Aladdin
- Dec 02** Christmas Tree Festival, St Andrews Church
- Dec 03** 5km Charity Run

# VIVO REWARDS

## St John Plessington Catholic College



# STEM Club

Our STEMists are in the midst of a fantastic project about making an Eco-fairground. They will be entering this into the Big Bang Competition in July 2017. Come along and get involved. If you have a Science project you want to try out then come along and discuss it and we will see if we can help!

Year 7 - look out for your bronze CREST award letters which will be making their way to you shortly.

STEM Club is in Sc2 Wednesday 3.30pm- 4.30pm.

## Science Debate Club

Sixth formers - come along and prepare for your interviews with Science Debate Club. Sc2 Thursday 3.30pm-4.30pm.



# Saturday Morning Cross Country

Round 2 of the Merseyside schools cross country Championship took place last Saturday at Wavertree Sports Park and once again the SJP runners displayed their talents and determination to succeed. Keria Brady-Jones (year 7) continued her domination of the Year 7 championship with another 1st place finish which saw her beat the remaining field by a good distance. This is the second 1st place



Kiera has achieved and next week goes on to race in the Year 7/8 international race at Sefton Park in Liverpool. Ethan, her twin brother, claimed a brilliant 7th place finish in a very competitive age group. Since joining us in Year 7 Ethan has shown himself to be sports star in the making, an athlete who can turn his hand to any sport and provide consistent top quality performance. Elsewhere brothers Harry Loach and Sam Loach continued with their excellent start to the cross country series with a 22nd and 10th placed finish respectively. Both boys have now joined Wirral AC, training twice a week. The coaches at Wirral AC are impressed with the boys and tell us that their running future is very bright. Well done to all involved in another fabulous (yet cold) morning of cross country running.

If you would your child to get involved in cross country please ask them to see Mr Nunnery in the PE department. All abilities welcome

TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM RECEPTION NOW

# China 2016



WED 30 NOV THUR 1 DEC

# LITERACY CORNER

Can you solve these dingbats? They all create well known phrases or words. The numbers below each box give you a clue as to how many words and letters are required for each dingbat. Nine to solve! Give your answers to Mrs Connolly and win a prize!

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g History (2, 4, 2, 7)	h h a a i r r s s (10)	person ality (5, 11)

## Have you ever considered a career in teaching?

School Direct is a one-year, full time teacher training programme. At SJP, all School Direct trainees are allocated a dedicated subject mentor, and guided by specialist tutors. At the end of the year successful trainees will qualify with QTS and PGCE, which is accredited by the University of Chester.

We currently offer teacher training for Biology, Business Studies, Chemistry, Computer Science, DT, Drama, English, Geography, History, Maths, Media, Modern Foreign Languages, PE, Physics, Primary, RE and Social Sciences.

In addition, our School Experience Programme offers the opportunity to spend a day or two at SJP in your subject department. You will be able to observe classes taking place, engage with pupils, and speak to subject staff and the School Direct trainees who are currently training with us.

### What are the entry requirements?

- UK university degree 2:1 or above (2:2 for Maths, Physics, Chemistry, MFL) or a recognised equivalent qualification – we also accept applications from final year students due to graduate in 2017

- Grade C or above in GCSE English and Mathematics (Science for Primary)
  - At least two full days of school observation
- You will be required to undergo an enhanced DBS check to verify your suitability to work with young people

If you would like to know more about School Direct or our School Experience Programme please contact Helen Ruscoe, Teaching School and Marketing Manager, [helruscoe@stjohnplessington.com](mailto:helruscoe@stjohnplessington.com) or 0151 645 5049.



What subjects do we offer?



# SIXTH FORM SUPPORT SESSIONS

## YEAR 12

### After School

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	History	Geography	Geography	
	Computer Science	Maths	Computer Science	
	ICT BTEC	Computer Science	ICT BTEC	
	Business Studies	ICT BTEC	Business Studies	
	Music	Business Studies	Psychology	
	Sociology	Chemistry	Applied Science	
	Media	Health & Social	Biology	
	Philosophy & Ethics			
	Physics			
	Product Design/Textiles			
	Art			
		Product Design/Textiles	Product Design/Textiles	Product Design/Textiles by appt
			Art	
				*PE bookable by appointment any evening

### Lunch Time

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
PE				
Geography	Geography	Geography	Geography	

## WEEKLY THEME "OUR HOPES AND DREAMS"

### Luke 23:35-43

The people stood watching, and the rulers even sneered at him. They said, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is God's Messiah, the Chosen One."

The soldiers also came up and mocked him. They offered him wine vinegar and said, "If you are the king of the Jews, save yourself." There was a written notice above him, which read: "This is the King of the Jews."

One of the criminals who hung there, hurled insults at him: "Aren't you the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" But the other criminal rebuked him. "Don't you fear God," he said, "since you are under the same sentence? We are punished justly, for we are getting what our deeds deserve. But this man has done nothing wrong."

Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." Jesus answered him, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in paradise."

This week is the last week in the Church's year. Next week we begin the season of Advent a time in which we prepare ourselves for the birth of Jesus at Christmas.

This week we celebrate Jesus as "Christ the King". The feast of Christ the King reminds us that the risen Jesus will come again in glory at the end of the world.

The feast of Christ the King is also known as "Youth Sunday" When we celebrate our young people who are our hope for the future. In July this year Pope Francis celebrated Mass in Krakow in Poland, with millions young people from across all the continents of our world. Below is part of his closing address to the young people of the world.

"Today, I would like each of us to ask sincerely: in whom do we place our trust? In ourselves, in material things, or in Jesus? We are all tempted to put ourselves at the centre, to think that we alone build our lives or that our life can only be happy if built on possessions, money, or power. But it is not so. Certainly, possessions, money and power can give a momentary thrill, the illusion of being happy, but they end up possessing us and making us always want to have more, never satisfied. 'Put on Christ' in your life, place your trust in him and you will never be disappointed!

### Prayer

Father, all powerful God of love, you raised Jesus from death to life and he is now with you in glory, as King of Creation. May all the world rejoice in his peace, glory in his justice and live in his love.

Amen

## YEAR 13

### After School

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	Eng Comb	Philosophy & Ethics	Art	PE
	Eng Lit	Chemistry	Biology	Philosophy & Ethics
	Physics	Spanish	Applied Science	
	Business Studies	Business Studies	Business Studies	
	ICT	ICT	ICT	
		Art	Sociology	
	Geography /WD	Maths	Media	
	Psychology	Geography/WD	Geography/WD	Geography/WD
	DT PD/Textiles	DT PD/Textiles	DT PD/Textiles	DT PD/Textiles by app
	Perf Arts		Health & Social	
			History	

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PE				
Perf Arts	Perf Arts	Perf Arts	Perf Arts	Perf Arts