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# NEWSLETTER

# Remembrance

### Day 2016

During the month of November we especially remember those who have died, from our families and among our friends. We are grateful to them for the faith and for the gift of family they have passed on to us or the friendship they have given to us. We thank God for all those who have touched our hearts and our lives.

Remembering those who have lost their lives in the service of their country.

On a beautiful sunny morning on Friday 11th November 2016, the whole of the SJP college family gathered together to show their respect for those who have died in service of our country in the armed forces. Fifteen hundred students as well as all members of staff stood together on the college yard in an Act of Remembrance. A two minute silence was observed, after the sounding of the Last Post by Mr Austin, a former member of staff.

The Occasion was a wonderful reflection of the values upon which our community is founded.





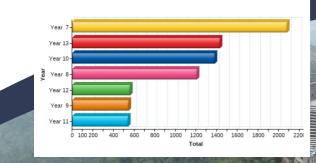


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### **Coming** Up



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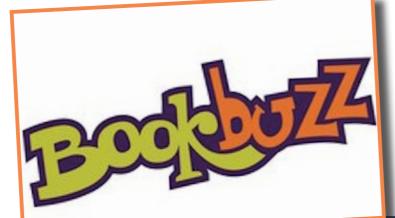
### **FREE BOOKS** FOR ALL YEAR 7 **PUPILS!**

At the beginning of the new school term our Year 7 pupils had the opportunity to choose a **free** book of their choice from twelve specially selected titles on display in the library, written by some of our favourite children's authors.

This is the eighth year that our college has taken part in this extremely popular campaign aimed at inspiring young people to read for pleasure and discover new books and authors.

All of the Year 7 pupils jumped at the chance to select a free book and have since created a real buzz amongst themselves about the books!

The **'Bookbuzz'** website, www.bookbuzz.org.uk contains lots of fun activities and is also a great place to discover other exciting books and authors.



## **Dissection Club** Huge Success!

Science recently launched their STEM Club Lite sessions on Wednesday's lunchtime at 12.30 in Sc3. contents of your cupboard, or create a moving picture using the contents of you fridge, or make giant These sessions take place for 20 minutes (so you can bubbles using an old tennis racket? Then come along to still get to academic review in time) and the first sesthis club in Sc3 every Wednesday at 12.30pm. sions were all about dissection. They were met with a huge response with 60 pupils turning up for one session! Thank you for your support.

This half term, Science are running KITCHEN SCIENCE CLUB!!!!! In this club, you get the opportunity to learn how to set off chemical reactions using the ingredients from your kitchen. Want to know how to make a lava lamp using only the

### **VACANCIES -**FOUNDATION **GOVERNORS AND PARENT GOVERNOR**

Foundation Governors and Parent Governors play a very important role on our Governing Body and are a vital part of our college community and upholding the Catholic Ethos in all aspects of College life. We currently have 2 vacancies for Foundation Governors and 1 vacancy for Parent Governor. If you would like to know more about these important roles, please contact Helen Caul, Clerk to Governors at the college.

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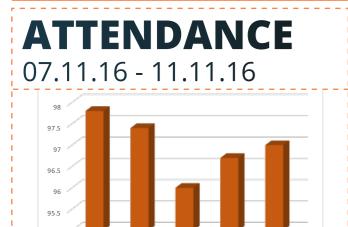
### LITERACY CORNER

Boggle requires you to look at the letters provided in the grid.

Your challenge is to create as many words as you can out of the letters provided. You can pick the letters in any order, but you may only use the letter ONCE in each word.

The person who finds the longest word wins a prize! See Mrs Connolly with your answers.

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### **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.



## SIXTH FORM SUPPORT SESSIONS

### YEAR 12

After School		
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesda
	History	Geography
	Computer Science	Maths
	ICT BTEC	Computer Scie
	<b>Business Studies</b>	ICT BTEC
	Music	Business Stud
	Sociology	Chemistry
	Media	Health & Soc
	Philosophy & Ethics	
	Physics	
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### WEEKLY THEME "DON'T BE AFRAID OF HARD WORK"

#### St Paul's Letter to the Thessalonians 3:7-12

For you yourselves know how you should follow our example. We were not idle when we were with you, or did we eat anyone's food without paying for it .On the contrary, we worked night and day, labouring and toiling so that we would not be a burden to any of you. We did this, not because we do not have the right to such help, but in order to offer ourselves as a model for you to imitate. For even when we were with you, we gave you this rule: "The one who is unwilling to work shall not eat."

We hear that some among you are idle and disruptive. They are not busy; they are busybodies. Such people we command and urge in the Lord Jesus Christ to settle down and earn the food they eat.

We belong to an outstanding college community. To be an outstanding community requires a lot of hard work, not just from the Head Teacher and all the staff and Governors and Parents, but from all the students, and everyone who is involved in the

#### ife of our college community.

When we eventually get a job, the people who will manage us will certainly expect us to work hard to earn our pay.

Jesus also expects us to work hard as well! In the Bible St Paul tells the Christians of Thessalonica, "We order you to go on working quietly." Idleness is a sin because it's unfair, making life more difficult for others and being unprepared to do our fair share. God expects us to work hard and so help to improve the quality of life for everyone.

#### Prayer

Father, Creator of the universe, you made everything out of nothing. Help us in our daily work to do our best and develop into the caring people that you want us to be. 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	
	<b>Business Studies</b>	<b>Business Studies</b>	<b>Business Studies</b>	
	ICT	ICT	ICT	
		Art	Sociology	
	Geography /WD	Maths	Media	
	Psychology	Geography/WD	Geography/WD	Geography/WD
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