# St John Plessington Catholic College



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# NEWSLETTER

#### **COMING UP** This Week - 25.09.17

25 sep	
26 sep	
27 sep	OPEN MORNING 9.00am - 11.00am
28	Healthy Lifestyles Day Y7 Alpha
SEP	Y11 Parents' Evening
29	DofE Bronze Qualifier Y10
SEP	

#### **COMING UP** Next Week - 02.10.17

02 ост	PSHE P2	
03 ост		
04 ост	No Pen Day	
05 ост	Awards Evening 2017	
	DofE Silver Y11 Practice	
	Healthy Lifestyles Day Y7 Beta	
06 ост	DofE Silver Y11 Practice	

#### **ATTENDANCE** 18.09.17 - 22.09.17



#### VACANCIES -FOUNDATION GOVERNOR AND PARENT GOVERNORS

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

#### European Day of Languages -Tuesday 26th September

The 5 phrases that a year 8 student may say to you are:

¿Puedo quitarme la chaqueta?
Can I take my blazer off?
Gracias señora/señorita/señor
Thank you Mrs/Miss/Sir
Lo siento pero no entiendo
I'm sorry but I don't understand
¿Puedes ayudarme por favor?
Can you help me please?
¿Puedo distribuir los cuadernos?
Can I give the books out?

#### **VIVO** REWARDS

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#### **STEM Clubs launch in Science**

The Science department have worked hard this year to bring some fantastic extracurricular opportunities to all years at SJP. From Forensics with Miss Noone and Miss Eden to testing what effect alcohol has on the organs of

on offer! Come and get involved.

the body with Miss Hulley, improving your football skills with Science with Miss Trayner, learning how to care for animals in the Young Vets club with Miss Walton, building bridges using 3D printing with Miss Moore or making a robot using pneumatics with Mr Chatwin - there is something for everyone

Participation in STEM Clubs has been shown to raise attainment at GCSE by a whole grade, plus it's fun!

You can also come along to STEM Lite Bite on a Wednesday lunchtime in Sc1 at 12.30-12.45pm to see some gruesome dissections!

STEM Club Name	What's involved?	Who for?	When and where?	Staff
Forensic Science	From fingerprints to footprints every criminal leaves a trace of themselves at a crime scene. Learn how Science can help to solve crimes!	Year 7 (Sixth Form welcome as helpers)	Thursday after school in Sc5/8 3.20-4.20pm	RAN/ ZOE
What does alcohol do to the body?	Design your own experiments to investigate the effects of alcohol on body organs. Get hands on with dissection!	Years 8, 9 and 10 (Sixth Form welcome as helpers)	Wednesday after school 3.20- 4.20pm in Sc6	JEH
Can Science improve your football ability?	Investigate ways in which Science can improve fitness and footballing skills.	Years 9, 10 and 11 (Sixth Form welcome as helpers)	Wednesday after school 3.20- 4.20pm in Sc1	DMT
Building Bridges	Work alongside the University of Liverpool to build and test structures using 3D printers.	Year 9 and 10 (Sixth Form welcome as helpers)	Wednesday after school 3.20- 4.20pm in Sc2	SMM
Pneumatics and the body	Can pneumatics be used to replace limbs? Build your own full working model of the body using pneumatics.	Year 10 and 11 (Sixth Form welcome as helpers)	Thursday after school Wk1 3.20- 4.20pm Friday Wk2 3.20- 4.20pm in Sc2	FRC
Young Vets Club	Learn about different animals, how to care for them and what illnesses they may have and how to treat them.	All years (Sixth Form welcome as helpers)	Thursday after school 3.20- 4.20pm Sc7	SDW
STEM Lite Bite	Come along at lunch time and watch dissections, learn how to create Science experiments using the contents of your kitchen and learn how to make slime and bouncy balls as well as making your own bath bombs and sherbet!	All years (Sixth Form welcome as helpers)	Wednesday 12.30pm in Sc1	SMM



# **OPEN MORNINGS\***

Wednesday 27th September 2017 | 9.00am \*For parents and carers only

Don't miss the last chance to take a guided tour of our outstanding school



#### **Big Bang Fair**

Well done to our SJP STEMists at the Big Bang Fair 2017!

Our STEM Clubs at SJP attended the Big Bang Fair 2017 and came back with an award! Our groups presented their projects on Eco-Fairgrounds, Sustainable Cities and Forensics to a panel of judges. The pupils worked hard all year on these projects and the trophy was well deserved. Well done STEMists!

We also had a brilliant time at the Big Bang Fair getting to see lots of exciting experiments and talking to interesting scientists, plus we got lots of freebies!

#### **Diocese of Shrewsbury** Schools' Building Fund

A booklet informing parents and guardians about voluntarily supporting the Schools' Building Fund will be distributed to pupils to pass to parents and guardians. NSBURY



### LITERACY CORNER

#### Word Weave Challenge

Your challenge this week is to learn, and include, the following words into your written work. They must be appropriately used.

- 1. **Plausible** (adjective) meaning realistic, likely to be true. EG. That is a plausible excuse.
- 2. **Invariably** (adverb) meaning always; without exception.
- EG. I **invariably** have breakfast each day.

**Collaborate** – (verb) meaning to work together on a job.

EG. We **collaborated** well in the task set by our teacher.

This will help widen your vocabulary range. Show me your words, in your work and WIN a prize! See Mrs Connolly.

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#### Thought for the week

Week Commencing 25<sup>th</sup> September 2017

"You can't live a perfect day without doing something for someone who will never be able to repay you."



John Wooden

"Dear young people, the Church expects great things of you and your generosity. Don't be afraid to aim high"



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Loving Father, Help me to be generous with my gifts, talents and time that I may bring joy and happiness to others Amen. St John Plessington Pray for us