



# Plessington Catholic Technology College

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**Learning Programmes Unit 4/6  
Week Commencing 3 April 2006**

## Theme for the Week - Stations of the Cross

This week we reflect upon the suffering and self sacrifice shown by Jesus in the Stations of the Cross.

*Lord, please help us to look for the silver lining in even the darkest cloud,  
that we may never be overwhelmed either by personal suffering,  
or by knowledge of the world's pains.  
Give us courage to accept what must be;  
strength to bring victory out of disaster, and  
time for our hurts to be healed. Amen.*

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## VOCATIONAL COURSEWORK / REVISION CLASSES

Health & Social Care and Leisure and Tourism GCSE in Room 33B. See Mr Ford or Mrs Lawson for details.

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## SCHOOL MASS

A reminder to all pupils that our weekly mass continues to take place every Wednesday lunch time in the School Chapel. Take half an hour out of your busy week and make some room for prayer and the Eucharist as we journey towards Easter.

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## YEAR 11 MENTORING

Over 160 students in Year 11 are receiving additional support in the form of study skills, revision support or exam preparation. This support is currently being given by a team of Learning Mentors and staff. Studies have shown exam results can be improved via attendance at these sessions. Parents, please encourage your Year 11 son/daughter to attend!

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## COMPUTER CLUB FOR GIRLS Edit music, video tracks Explore fashion, sport and celebrities Create your own animation

This nationwide club has been started at Plessington to allow Year 7 girls to be creative using ICT equipment, to develop girls' ICT confidence and key skills while inspiring imagination.

The girls will leave Plessington with extra skills needed for success in their future workplace. The club combines learning and fun in a range of online activities at [www.cc4g.net](http://www.cc4g.net). The girls have already received their goody bag and they are producing some outstanding work – we are all having lots of fun.

CC4G girls attend the club Tuesdays at lunch time and after school – watch this space if you want to be a member as there may be another CC4G group starting soon.

# Plessington News

## Mobile Telephones

The school policy on pupils' mobile telephones in Pupil Planners.

This policy recognises the wish of some parents to allow their children to bring mobile telephones to school so that they can have them with them for safety when travelling to and from school. The telephone should be switched off at all times during the school day.

Unfortunately this facility is being abused by a significant minority of pupils, causing misbehaviour and disruption to the learning of others. Pupils should not use mobile telephones to telephone home or receive calls during the school day. Some mobile telephones have additional facilities such as MP3 players and cameras. These should not be used during the school day.

If mobile telephone usage by pupils continues to cause misbehaviour and disruption of lessons we may have to consider adoption of the same policy as other schools who have introduced an outright ban on the possession of mobile telephones in school by pupils.

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## PARENTS & FRIENDS OF PLESSINGTON – TRIP TO LES HALMAN NURSERIES

A visit to Les Halman Nurseries Ltd has been arranged by PFOP. Les Halman has supplied Plessington Plant Sale for many years. The visit will include a guided tour around the nursery and explanation of growing procedures etc. We will also have a demonstration of hanging baskets and patio pots. Tea and coffee will be supplied. The evening should take 2-2 ½ hours.

The date is Wednesday 26 April. A 32 seater coach will pick us up at the side entrance of the school at 16.30 and we will leave the nursery at 21.00 to arrive back at about 22.30. The cost is £8 per head.

If you would like a place phone Cecily Sabino 0151 645 7645

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## YEAR 11 SOCCER STAR

Congratulations to Matthew Edwards (11EC), who will be joining Leeds United Football Club this summer after his GCSE exams.

Matthew has been an excellent student and sportsman, during his time in Plessington, juggling school work and playing with Manchester United.

The Year 11 team are all very proud of him and wish him great success in the future.



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## RE REVISION CLASSES THIS WEEK Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2006

Year 11 – Festivals

Year 10 – Baptism, Confirmation, Mass, Penance, Anointing of Sick

Support Class – Lunchtime 1.30 – 2.00pm  
Booster Class – After school 3.30 – 4.15pm

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Visit our new e-learning portal – <http://www.samlearning.com>

**YEAR 9**

Anyone in St Joseph's parish who has yet to make their Confirmation needs to contact Fr Nick on Tel No: 652 5767 urgently, or go along to the Parish Centre Wednesday evenings at 7.30 p.m. However, the programme is already underway so you need to be quick about it!

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**EASTER MUSIC SHOWCASE**

Thursday 6 April 2006, 7.00 – 8.00 p.m., New Hall.

Featuring GCSE performances, brass band, choir and GCSE Sixth Form and Staff bands.

All welcome. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

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SCHOOL MENU: Please see our new menu for next week.

<b>WEEK 2</b>	<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>FRIDAY</b>
<b>Pasta Dish</b>	Sweet Chilli Chicken	Spaghetti Bolognese	Ham in Cheese Sauce	Lasagne & Garlic Bread	Creamy Tomato and Smoked Bacon
<b>Rice Dish</b>	Chicken Tikka	Sweet & Sour Pork	Chilli Beef	Chicken Korma	Chefs' Special
<b>Main Course</b>	Cottage Pie	Spiced Chicken Legs	Roast Pork Dinner	Steak & Veg Pie	Battered Fish
<b>Vegetarian Choice</b>	Vegetable Pie	Leek & Mushroom Quiche	Roast Nut Loaf Dinner	Cauliflower Cheese	
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	Pizza	Burger	Pizza	Burger	Pizza
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