



# Plessington Catholic Technology College

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**Learning Programmes Unit 5/1  
Week Commencing 24 April 2006**

### Theme for the Week - Easter

*"And they departed quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy."*

(Matt 28:8)

This is the account of the women who visited the tomb of Jesus. They were frightened because they had received a shock, the body of Jesus was missing. They were also full of 'great joy' because they had been told that Jesus had risen from the dead. All the despair and defeat of Good Friday was over, something unexpected had happened. Life suddenly looked very different.

There are often times in life when we think that nothing good will come out of a situation, but we should always hope.

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**"Well Done" to all the pupils below who have completed the "KOOL READZ" Reading Competition.**

**They have all received £5.00 Achievement Vouchers.**

Sian Bilko 7AB  
Bethany Lewtas 7EA  
Claire McGough 7EC  
Amy Owens 7EC  
Hannah Riddick 7EC  
Georgina Salter 7MW  
Hannah Condon 8AB  
Danielle McAllister 8MW  
Helen Eyre 9JA

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### YEAR 10 WORK EXPERIENCE 15 - 19 MAY 2006

Well done and congratulations to the many Year 10 pupils who have found their own placements for 15-19 May 2006.

This is an excellent opportunity for your child to experience the "World of Work", and is also highly recognised by employers in the future.

On completion of Work Experience a Nationally recognised Certificate is awarded to all pupils. The school's English department also focuses on your child's work experience as a GCSE module.

Your support in assisting your child in finding a placement is appreciated.

Please contact Mr Dolan at school should you wish to discuss any aspect of Work Experience

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### SCHOOL BRANCH OF THE NATWEST BANK

Account Opening Dates -

Year 7 Wednesday 26 April 2006  
Year 8 and 9 Thursday 27 April 2006

In Room A34

Letters will be distributed in form time in the week beginning Monday 24 April 2006.

See Miss Hodges or Mrs Penny for details

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## Plessington News

### Keeping pupils on top form - by keeping you informed.

The newsletter last week was posted to you to ensure you receive it. Some parents have reported that they have not been receiving their copy. **PLESSINGTON News** is a vital link in our communication with you. It is distributed to all pupils every Friday afternoon. Details of important communications you should have received during the autumn and spring terms are detailed below. If you have not received these please make contact with the school and let us know.

### Learning Programmes.

Learning Programmes Units 3 and 4 for year 7 to 11 - containing information on lesson content and homeworks for all subjects.

### Progress Grade Reports.

Round 1 Reports for years 7 to 11 were issued during the Autumn term.

Round 2 Reports for years 9 and 11 were issued in February.

Round 2 Reports for years 7, 8 and 10 were issued last week

Learning Programme Unit 5 will issued first week back after Easter Holidays.

Round 3 Reports for years 7 to 10 will be issued towards the end of the Summer term.

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### CHARITY SHOOT OUT!

Students of 11EC were involved in a charity penalty shoot out on behalf of the Year 11 Charity in February. The £25 raised will be going to the Special Care Heart Unit at Alder Hey.

The event was organised by Jamie Smith, Ryan Griffiths, Jonathan McCready and other lads from 11EC. The overall winner of the shoot out was Year 11 Jordan Burnett.

Many many thanks goes to all involved, being prepared to put themselves out in order to help others. Credit to them!!!

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### YEAR 12 TRIP TO ROME

Recently Mr Lloyd and I were lucky enough to accompany a group of eighteen Year 12 pupils on a four day trip to Rome. After a 4 am start at Liverpool Airport we were very happy to disembark at Ciampino Airport in Rome in the sunshine, and make our way to the summer residence of the English College in Rome - our home for the next few days.

After another early start the next day we made our way to St Peter's square to attend an audience with Pope Benedict himself. Our school was the only English school amongst groups of pilgrims from all over the world and we were very pleased to be mentioned during the service!

During our stay we visited all the other main attractions in Rome, threw a few coins in the Trevi Fountain and some people even got to meet American Pop Idol Kelly Clarkson at the Colosseum!

All the students really enjoyed themselves and were excellent ambassadors for our school while in Rome - I can't wait to do it all again!

Mrs A Roberts

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### RE REVISION CLASSES WEEK COMMENCING 24 APRIL 2006

#### Year 10

<b>Tuesday 25 April</b>	<b>J3</b> Advent, Christmas, Lent, Holy Week, Easter	R Woods	C Davidson
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#### Year 11

<b>Tuesday 25 April</b>	<b>2A</b> Rich and Poor The Work of Cafod Environment & Stewardship	J Ford	N Lee
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### YEAR 10 SPANISH TRIP

Let's hope the weather stays fine in Spain for our Year 10 students who will be spending part of their Easter holiday on the Costa Brava. During the trip they will be visiting Barcelona, Girona and Port Aventura.

¡ Buen Viaje atodos!

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

**ARRANGEMENTS FOR STUDY LEAVE MAY 2006**

Pupils will be granted Study Leave as follows:

Year 11 Pupils finish school on Thursday 18 May 2006 at 2.00 p.m.  
 Year 12 Pupils finish school on Friday 19 May 2006 at 3.20 p.m.  
 Year 13 Pupils finish school on Friday 26 May 2006 at 3.20 p.m.

**EXAMINATION RESULTS**

Pupils will be able to collect their examination results as follows:

Year 11 Pupils on 17 August 2006 from 10.00 a.m. – 12.00 p.m. in the New Hall  
 Year 12 and 13 Pupils on 24 August 2006 from 10.00 a.m. – 12.00 p.m.

**CONGRATULATIONS**

Congratulations to Michael Purnell and James Whelligan for successfully completing a combined course in Bricklaying, Plastery and Joinery at Cornerstones, Birkenhead. The boys have followed a demanding course and succeeded with excellent results.

**EASTER MUSIC SHOWCASE**

Congratulations go to the many students who took part in the Easter Music Showcase on Thursday evening 6 April. There was an impressive variety of talent from students of all ages, ranging from some Year 7 students who have been learning to play for 6 weeks, to experienced GCSE musicians, who have just taken their practical GCSE exam.

A thoroughly enjoyable evening and the start of what we envisage to be a strong musical tradition in the school.

Many thanks to parents who supported the concert and to the staff who were involved, especially Miss Horne, Mr Austin and Miss Stott who organised it. The students who took part are on the attached list.

**YOUNG ENTERPRISE TEAM COMPETE IN WIRRAL FINALS**

Plessington's Young Enterprise Team of Ian Sheridan (Managing Director), Michael Bilko, Edward Allen, Charlotte Tierney, John Barton-Ward were in competition with 8 other schools until 9.00 p.m. on Wednesday 5 April 2006.

The Sixth Form Enterprise Group came up with an imaginative idea for picture key rings and promoted them on the night. Ian Sheridan did an excellent presentation on behalf of the group as they just missed out on the main award.

Mr Ford, Enterprise Co-ordinator said "I was very proud of the team as they worked very hard and got a lot out of the whole endeavour – a fabulous effort".

**SPORTS NEWS**

**Football**

It has been a disappointing week for the football teams. Years 7, 8 and 10 all lost their cup games this week to Woodchurch, Wallasey and Ridgeway.

Next term sees the start of cricket fixtures, with teams entered into the Cheshire Cup.

**Rugby**

We are very pleased with our progress in the emerging schools' league with good results against more experienced teams. Fixtures and training will continue after Easter.

**MENU**

WEEK 3	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>Pasta Dish</b>	Tuna Pasta Bake	Meatballs in Carrot & Tomato Sauce	Italian Pepperoni	Spaghetti Bolognese	Tomato & peppers
<b>Rice Dish</b>	Beef Balti	Chicken Chow Mein	Chicken Supreme	Chicken Korma	Chefs' Special
<b>Main Course</b>	Chicken Wraps	Savoury Mince with Scone Topping	Roast Turkey Dinner	Corned Beef Hash	Battered Fish
<b>Vegetarian Choice</b>	Veggie Wraps	With Scone Topping	Roast Nut Loaf Dinner	Cheese Omelette	
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	Pizza	Burger	Pizza	Burger	Pizza
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