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Learning Programme Unit 5/1

SJP DANCE REVOLUTION

The Resurrection

Easter is a message of good news. It is the good news of hope. Hope for ourselves, hope for those who have died before us, hope for our broken world. Jesus' resurrection means that although our life on this world is a temporary one, there is something much greater to follow. In this life, although we have times of joy and happiness, we also know pain and sorrow. Jesus' death and resurrection tell us that we don't need to be afraid any more. Nothing can compare to life in him.

*Lord Jesus Christ,
because of you, we don't need
to be afraid any more.
We pray that the good news of
hope that comes from your
resurrection
will always remain in our
hearts.
Amen*

Mass & Morning Prayer

Morning Prayer takes place every Tuesday and Thursday in College Chapel from 8.20 – 8.35.

Fr Tony Elder from Holy Name will be celebrating Mass in College Chapel at 12.50 on Wednesday.



On the 19 March, just prior to the Easter holiday, over 135 SJP pupils performed in the first ever school dance show – SJP Dance Revolution. Performers from all year groups took to the stage in large numbers, some performing pieces choreographed during lesson time, whilst others had worked hard to choreograph their own dances during lunch time and after school clubs. We were also lucky enough to work with a local choreographer, Anna Malone, who has a dance school in Hoylake – ANIMAL.

Having worked hard on their performance skills, none of the girls let us down, all performing with real style and quality to a packed audience. For many it was their first time on stage in front of a large crowd, but an appreciative audience helped to boost the confidence of anyone who was a little nervous, and all the performers enjoyed the experience immensely.

Not only were there well over a hundred of our pupils performing, but we also had over 120 primary pupils from a variety of local schools on stage. Each of the seven primaries, including St John's (Infants & Juniors), St Anne's, St Werburgh's, St Joseph's, Brackenwood and St Andrew's have been working with our Year 10 Dance Leaders for the past seven weeks. The leaders had choreographed dances and been running dance clubs in the primaries, teaching large numbers of their pupils on a Tuesday evening.

The performances by the primary pupils were the culmination of many weeks of hard work, and all the performers did their leaders proud. They came dressed in costume for the style of dance and performed in front of many of their parents.

Well done to all the performers, with a special thank you to Mr. Austin and Mrs. Swann for all their help up to and on the day of the show.

LITERACY CORNER

Word of the week

Mendacity // Pronunciation Key [/ Pronunciation Key men-**das**-i-tee]



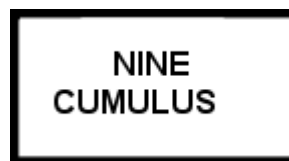
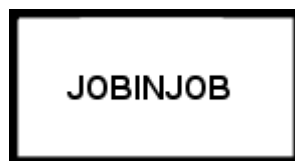
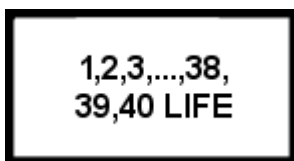
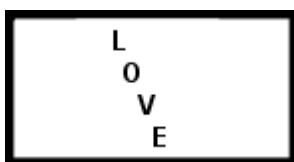
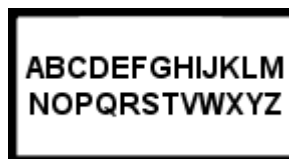
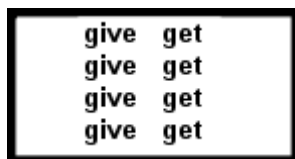
MEANING: Noun meaning the quality of being mendacious; untruthfulness; tendency to lie, deceitful.

DERIVATIVES: Adjective: mendacious, Plural: mendacities

ORIGIN: From the Latin 'Mendacitas'

Literacy quiz

Look at these brainteasers and see if you can work out the well known phrase:



Answers:

Head over heels, Forgive & Forget, Missing You, Falling in love, Try to Understand, Split Level, Life Begins at 40, In between jobs, On Cloud Nine.

DECLAN EVANS MEETS THE CAST OF 'BRICK UP THE MERSEY TUNNELS'



When a Year 9 Pupil gets Music homework, the last thing they might expect is to meet a Hollywood actor at the press night of a sell-out play.

Declan Evans (9JA) chose to research 'Brick up the Mersey Tunnels' as his project on musicals instead of the more obvious 'Grease' and 'High School Musical'. He has been to see 'The Tunnels' once before and is a committed fan. Mr McGinity plays in a band with one of the main actors in 'The Tunnels', Carl Chase, and asked Declan if he'd mind showing the homework to him. Carl was delighted with it and showed the homework to the other actors and director of the play. They were so impressed that they immediately invited Declan and a guest to the special press night, the performance on the evening before the public come to see this long-running sell-out show.

Declan met Carl who has appeared in films including Batman, Tomb Raider and Alien 3 but may be remembered better as the rogue vicar, Father Abraham, in Coronation Street. He also met with Andrew Schofield, who has starred in Alan Bleasdale T.V. dramas, and who played the shepherd in the live broadcast of the 'Liverpool Nativity' last December.

Declan at the preview night of 'Brick up the Mersey Tunnels'.

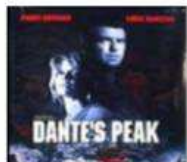
From the left: Andrew Schofield, Roy Brandon, Declan Evans, Davy Edge, Carl Chase.

Geography ICT Club

Wednesdays after school - Rm H1 Miss Williams. Come and get help with Homework or use the games and activities on the VLE.

Geography Film club

Friday Lunch - G1 - 12.15 - Come and watch Geography videos such as Dante's Peak, Volcano, Flood, The day after tomorrow, Twister Ice Age and lots more. Bring along some money as there will be fair trade drinks and products on sale.



Numeracy Brainteaser

Last Week's Winner: Tom Giles Year 10

This Week's Brainteaser:

I was 8 years old when my father was 31. Now he is twice as old I am. How old am I?

Answers to Miss Hodges in Room MA2 by Friday 11th April. All correct answers will be put into a draw to win a £5 gift voucher for W H Smiths.

R.E. REVISION LESSONS

Year 10—Wednesday Evenings

9 April — Celibacy of the clergy and the ordination of women J2 (Mrs Ford) in RE4

Year 11—Tuesday Evenings

8 April — The sanctity of life / abortion and euthanasia C2 (Mrs Davidson) in B4

IN SEARCH OF ENGLAND GLORY



Sports Star of the Week: PAUL DAVIES
Whilst many of us were enjoying our Easter break, Paul was

working hard in goal trying to impress enough to be selected for the ENGLAND U16 team. He has played in several games, travelling all over the country, at grounds including Newcastle and will soon play in Barnsley. Good luck Paul, we hope you're successful and that we get to watch you representing your country one day at Wembley!!

MASS FOR THE COLLEGE COMMUNITY AT THE METROPOLITAN CATHEDRAL OF CHRIST THE KING 23 APRIL 11.00 A.M.



Our annual College Mass takes place on 23 April and promises to be a joyous event for the whole of the College community and will act as the closing ceremony for our College Mission Week. As you might expect, all Pupils and staff will be attending the event and we will be joined at the Cathedral by Governors and representatives from our Partner Schools and Parishes. I should like to take this opportunity of extending a very warm invitation to all those Parents who are able to be with us as well. Mass begins at 11.00 on the 23 April, and I would respectfully ask Parents to take their seats by 10.50 in order to accommodate the huge numbers we are anticipating on the day.

Details of the day, together with guidance on directions and parking, will be sent via post over the next week. I am confident that our trip to the Cathedral will rapidly become an integral part of our annual celebration of the Catholic Mission of the College and I will be very pleased, therefore, to welcome all Parents able to be present at this inaugural visit.

PFOP PLANT SALE

This year's PFOP Plant Sale will take place on Saturday 10 May 2008, 10.00 a.m. until 12.00 p.m. in College Hall.

