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Learning Programme Unit 6/1

### Environment

Treat the earth well: it was not given to you by your parents, it was loaned to you by your children. We do not inherit the Earth from our Ancestors, we borrow it from our Children.

*Holy God,  
Thank you for the beautiful earth you have created for us.  
Help us to remember that it is ours to protect, not to destroy,  
teach us to care for it and to care for everyone who lives on it.  
Amen*

### Mass & Morning Prayer

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

Fr Nick will be celebrating Mass in College Chapel at 12.50 on Wednesday.

### YEAR 11—NOT GOODBYE—AU REVOIR!



Friday 23 May saw a special day for Year 11 beginning with an emotional End of Year Service which was both reflective and fun, and ending with the Prom. The Service looked to the future and the continuation of the pupils' journey into Sixth Form, adulthood and the world of work. Pupils read and acted out scenes from the Gospel and all pupils then received an anointing from Form Tutors. The service ended with the pupils applauding all the work that their Tutors had done for them over the years. Jonathan King and Steph Riddick won the Head of Learning prize amidst rapturous applause from their classmates.

Evening time saw the red carpet being rolled out for the pupils – sorry – young men and women - as they arrived for the Prom. Limos arrived and cameras flashed as the ladies and gents arrived in their suits, bow ties and Prom dresses. They looked stunning. They were a credit to the College and their parents. They danced the night away (well till ten o'clock) and finally left for various destinations throughout the Wirral. (See Graeme Daulby's reflection on page 2)

Well done and Best Wishes to all!

## PROM DATES

Year eleven is awful, exams draw near,  
GCSE's, coursework make my future unclear,  
But all thoughts of exams from my head have gone,  
My priority is a date for the prom!

I got to school and told my mates,  
"If were going to the prom, we *must* get dates"  
They all nodded, and said "He's right!"  
"So we'll all have dates by five tonight!"

I went to the yard and asked a few,  
They all yelled, "*What...go with you?*"  
They all said no, as I used my charm,  
One of them tried to break my arm,

I then tried the library, I like smart girls,  
At least there are brains beneath their curls,  
But I was thrown out before too long,  
I couldn't work out what I did wrong!

I went to the yard, feeling bad,  
If I went alone, I'd just look sad!  
But that looked likely, as I was un-cool,  
I just looked like a flaming fool,

It started to rain, so we all went inside,  
I stood by the radiator, and started to dry,  
A girl came over, and I moved up,  
She smiled at me, but I'd given up!

I decided to give it one last try,  
I didn't want to let my hopes just die!  
I asked her out and she said "yes"  
She needed a date like me, I guess!

*By Graeme Daulby*

## LITERACY CORNER

### Word of the week



#### Obsequious (\ob-SEE-kwee-us\)

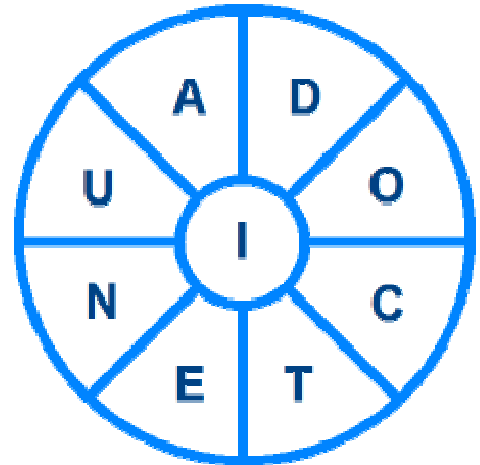
Adjective: characterized by or showing servile complaisance or deference; fawning; compliant to excess; obedient; dutiful.

**Origin:** *Obsequious* comes from Latin *obsequiosus*, from *obsequium*, "complaisance," from *obsequi*, "to comply with," from *ob-*, "toward" + *sequi*, "to follow."

**Synonyms:** sycophantic, flattering, cringing, submissive.

### Literacy quiz

How many words can you make from the letters in the wheel? Each word must contain the hub letter **I**. Can you find a 9-letter word and at least 20 other words of five letters or more avoiding proper nouns?



### Solutions

Some other words of five letters or more containing the hub letter I:  
edict,  
actin, adieu, antic, audio, audit, canid, cited, coat, cutie, dicot, dicta,  
indue, nicaid, tenia, tonic, unite, unite, action, atonic, aunte,  
coined,  
detaim, induce, notice, united, united, aconite, auction, caution,  
conduit, noctuid, noticed

9-letter word - EDUCATION

## SJP SAYS 'GOODBYE' TO CLASS OF 2008

It was an emotional day on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> May for both staff and students of Year 13, as it was their final day in SJP. It was celebrated in the College Chapel. Here students and staff came together to say thanks and gave reflections on the past, present and future. Crafty Freddy also played the moving song from the Beatles In my Life. The staff at SJP wishes all our year 13 students good luck in their forth coming A level exams and wish them every success in their future.



# Maths Residential to Colomendy

Last weekend, four of our gifted mathematicians from Year 8 were invited to stay over on an action-packed, residential fun weekend at Colomendy.

They were Alice Bailey, David Martin, Laura Barber and Connor Hallas.

Our pupils were competing against some of the highest achieving pupils across Merseyside in lots of different activities – some of which were organized by Liverpool Hope University.

Here are some of the thoughts from the pupils:-



“I enjoyed the trip especially making new friends and the game - Property Tycoon.” (David Martin 8MC)

“It was lots of fun. My favourite activity was the Number Hunt through the woods! (Laura Barber 8MC)



Our very own SJP teachers Mrs Thomson, Miss Hodges and Mrs Bell also went along to Colomendy to visit the pupils and get all the pupils involved in building the 4 metre tall Towering Tetrahedron! What fun!

Overall, it was a very exciting and action packed weekend and there was a lot of fun had by all!

## College Library News

Recent weeks have been very busy in the library, it has been great to see so many pupils right across the year groups borrowing books and using the library facilities regularly.

Congratulations to **Adam Statham, Joe Lyons, Jordan Banks, Pam Smith and Charlotte Maxwell** who have scored a massive 378 points between them on **Accelerated Reader**. For all Year 7s and 8s the link for this can be found on the College website. Not only can it be used in College but it can also be accessed at home as well during week days. So get quizzing and don't forget **Points mean Prizes !**

*New books to look out for in the Summer term include:*



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|-------------------------------|---|------------------------|
| <b>Death's Shadow</b>         | - | <b>Darren Shan</b>     |
| <b>Deeper</b>                 | - | <b>Roderick Gordon</b> |
| <b>Black Book of Secrets</b>  | - | <b>F E Higgins</b>     |
| <b>Bog Child</b>              | - | <b>Siobhan Dowd</b>    |
| <b>Measle and the Doompit</b> | - | <b>Ian Ogilvy</b>      |



## Young Scientists Attend Salters Festival of Chemistry



Four of our Year 8 pupils and Miss Proctor attended Liverpool University Dept. of Chemistry on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> May. They participated in two practical challenges – ‘The Salters Challenge’ in which they investigated evidence from a burglary, using flame tests and chemical tests and ‘The University Challenge’ in which they carried out a chemical reaction, trying to reach a temperature of 10.5°C.

The pupils were Holly Harvey; Roy Smith; Curtis McArdle and Charlotte Jones. All four made excellent effort and thoroughly enjoyed the experience of doing some really good hands-on chemistry that was both challenging and enjoyable. They all showed excellent science skills and knowledge as well as team-

work and communication skills. Well done to all four pupils!

## SJP becomes training centre for FA football coaches

In excess of 40 year 10 pupils have recently passed an FA recognised Junior Football Organiser course. The course is designed to give young coaches the skills necessary to plan and deliver high quality football sessions. Through lessons and extra curricular time the pupils have completed a series of assessment tasks which they completed to Football Association standards. For their final assessment they had to plan and lead a year 7 football festival in school. This took place over two weeks and involved over 60 year 7 pupils. Players were put through their paces by the year 10 coaches in a series of drill and game related practices. After these sessions the pupils represented their form in a round robin tournament. The leadership on show was outstanding with everyone involved thoroughly enjoying the event.



Just a selection of the many young football coaches in attendance



Year 7 pupils receive expert instruction from newly qualified FA coach Billy Richards

## SJP play at Prenton Park



Boys and girls from Year 7 represented the college in a Year 6/7 transition tournament held at the home of Tranmere Rovers FC. The event was organised by Clare Mount Sports College and was aimed at creating a bond between current Year 6 and 7 pupils. The SJP team was made up of pupils who have shown outstanding levels of effort and achievement in PE. The pupils performed very well against some tough opposition to ensure everyone left with their head held high and a smile on their face!

Pupils gather for their team photo on the Tranmere turf

## ADIOS A RAQUEL

Our foreign language assistant leaves this week to return to Spain.

Raquel, 26, from Guadalajara (town NE of Madrid) has been with us since October and came to England to improve her knowledge of the language. Raquel has enjoyed working with all year groups from Y7- Y12 helping them to improve their Spanish speaking skills and exam preparation.

A big GRACIAS to Raquel for all her hard work and enthusiasm!



James Barnes studying Spanish at As level interviewed Raquel on her last day

¿Qué piensas De Inglaterra?

Raquel: Me gusta mucho James porque la gente es muy amable

James: ¿Te ha gustado trabajar aqui en SJP?

Raquel: Me ha encantado porque me lo he pasado muy bien con los alumnos y profesores.

James: ¿Qué vas a hacer el año que viene?

Raquel: Todavía no lo sé. Me gustaría volver a Liverpool o ser profesora en España

James: What do you think of England?

Raquel: I really like it and the people are very friendly

James: Have you enjoyed working at SJP?

Raquel: I have loved it and had a great time working with all the pupils and teachers.

James: What are you going to do next year?

Raquel: Still not sure. I would like to come back to Liverpool or work as an English teacher in Spain



# P.E. Extra Curricular Timetable



Year/Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
CHANGING TIME FOR ALL YEARS : 12 - 12.15					
KS4 12 - 12.40	Yr 10 Cricket Nets		Yr 10 Dance	Yr 10 Dance	Yr 10 Football
KS3 12.40 - 1.15	Rounders & Cricket on Field	Yr 7 Cricket Nets Rounders & Cricket on Field	Yr 9 Cricket Nets Rounders & Cricket on Field  YRS 7/8 & 9 Netball	YR 8 Cricket Nets Rounders & Cricket on Field  YRS 7 & 8 Fitness	YRS 7/8 & 9 Boys Indoor Football Tournament Rounders & Cricket on Field
3.20 - 4.30		YRS 7/8 & 9 Girls Tag Rugby	All Years Badminton  Year 7 & 8 Cricket Practice Rounders Teams Prac- tice - All Year	Year 7 Trampolining  Yrs 9 & 10 Cricket Practice	Staff Activities
FIXTURES					
Cross Country -12.45					