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Learning Programme Unit 6/2

## TAEKWONDO BRITISH CHAMPION

### Celebrating the Life of Margaret Ward

Margaret Ward is one of our form patrons (MW). She was martyred during the English Reformation for her faith. Margaret helped a priest to escape from prison. His crime was celebrating Mass. Margaret admitted to what she had done, but refused to admit that it was actually a crime. She was put to death in 1588.

There are many people in the world who are in prison for their beliefs. Some of them have spoken out against an unjust government regime, some are imprisoned because of their religion... they are known as prisoners of conscience.

*Lord,  
I pray for all prisoners of conscience.  
I ask that they will remain strong in what they believe and that they will be given a fair trial.  
Help me to stand up for what is right, even though it is often hard to do so.  
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.

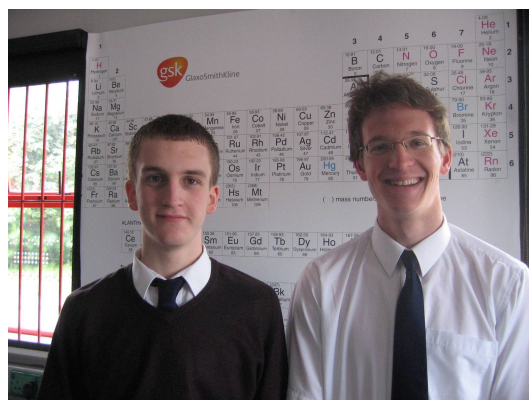
After only two years of participating in the sport, Sean Doyle (9EC) has become GB Champion in his weight. He has progressed to green belt very quickly and has only been competitively fighting for a year.



Sean recently travelled to Holland to compete, where he won this magnificent trophy for coming first and was crowned GB Champion.

We are all extremely proud of his achievements to date and wish him the best of luck for the future, as he competes at a higher level. Well done Sean, you are an excellent role model for any young sportsman or woman aspiring to achieve highly.

## Sixth Form Scientists hit the heights!



Peter Boyle (13MC) has been offered a conditional place at Edinburgh University to study Veterinary Medicine. Places are incredibly difficult to attain and potential students must demonstrate their commitment to the career through work placements before applying for a place.

Peter has spent the last 2 years working holidays and weekends

at a dairy farm, veterinary surgery and a cattery and kennels. In Year 12 he successfully completed a prestigious bursary at Liverpool Veterinary College. Michael Brockway (13MC) has 2 offers for Medicine, one from Southampton and the second from Leeds University. Consultant Anaesthetist at Liverpool University Hospital, Dr Austin Leech, has been very complimentary about the fact that Michael is holding 2 offers. Dr Leech has generously given his spare time to support SJP and their students over the last 4 years giving talks, presentations and work placements. I am pleased to be able to recognise his work publicly via SJP news.

Michael and Peter thoroughly deserve their offers and the science department wish them success in their final examinations this summer. Both Students need 2 grade As and a B in their subjects.

## Parish News St. John's and St Anne's

A BIG congratulations to all of those pupils who made their confirmation on Wednesday night at St. John's, New Ferry. It was a fantastic service with lighted candles filling the church to represent the presence of the Holy Spirit.

The Bishop was there to speak those being confirmed and was impressed by their dedication, giving up their spare time to attend sessions to prepare.

Some pupils have even expressed an interest in coming back next year to help prepare next year's candidates!

Congratulations again!

### EXAM WEEK

Please remember that are Year 7 & 8 exams are approaching and that pupils should now be revising for these exams, using the tips given to them by their teachers.

## Local Parish & Diocesan Youth Events

We were visited this week by Fr Nick Kern, our local Dean, and Dave Fitton, our Diocesan youth officer. They spent some time with many forms inviting pupils to two local events.

On Sat 21st June and Sunday 22nd June there is a chance to take part in St Joseph's Parish day at St Joseph's RC Church in North Road Birkenhead. There will be pizza and games on Saturday evening and then on Sunday a chance to share your thoughts on the future plans for parish life at St Joseph's.

Secondly, to mark World Youth Day, the Diocese is holding it's own Youth Day on Sunday 20th July at Chester Catholic High School. There will be many different activities allowing you to meet new people, take part in lots of games and challenges and share your opinions. There will also be a 'Shrewsbury's Got Talent' contest!!

Further information on either of these events please see

## Fundraising news Recycling Phones



Thank you to everyone who donated a mobile phone in our campaign. We collected 96 phones and hope to raise £240. This money will be put towards a polytunnel for the College.

## LITERACY CORNER

### Word of the week

#### Sear



- **verb** 1 burn or scorch with a sudden intense heat. 2 (of pain) be experienced as a sudden burning sensation. 3 brown (food) quickly at a high temperature.
- **adjective** (also **sere**) literary withered.
- ORIGIN Old English.

### Literacy quiz

- Which of these words is not a verb?  
CLIMBING COOKED HIGH CRAWL
- What letter pattern does an adverb usually finish with?  
-ED -LY -OUGH -ES
- What type of word is a "describing word"?  
ADJECTIVE NOUN PREPOSITION VERB
- Which is the odd one out?  
QUICK FAST RAPID FROZEN
- Which of these is not a preposition?  
BESIDE UNDERNEATH WITHIN HIDING
- What do you call a word that describes "how you do something"?  
ADJECTIVE ADVERB NOUN PREPOSITION
- What tense is this sentence in - "I am writing on the board?"  
PAST PRESENT FUTURE CON-DITIONAL
- Which of these words is the odd one out?  
THROUGH ROUGH TOUGH ENOUGH
- Which of these words comes first in a dictionary?  
BRIGHT BRINE BRICK BRING
- What type of book would you use if you were looking for different words that all mean the same thing?  
DICTIONARY ENCYCLOPEDIA THESAU-RUS

### Answers

1. high 2. -ly 3. adjective 4. frozen 5. hiding 6. adverb 7. present 8. through 9. brick 10. thesaurus



## Year 8 Retreat

Our Year 8 Retreat to Pantasaph on the theme of *Christ has no hands on earth but yours* was a total success. Pupils took part in workshops which involved looking at the problems in the world and seeing how they, as young Christians, can make a difference – how they can be like Jesus in the world. They also spent time in the National Shrine of St. Pio where they took part in a treasure hunt for facts about his life.

Although the retreat days focused on serious matters, they also involved lots of fun games. The days all ended with a time of prayer in St. David's church.

The pupils represented the College superbly with their good behaviour and enthusiastic attitude. Many thanks to all staff who led and supported the retreat.



## SPECIALIST SCHOOL EVENING CLASSES



This weeks sees the beginning of our Digital Photography Evening Class, with lesson 1 from 6 – 7.30pm on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> June. The purpose of the course is to develop skills in digital imaging and to create and share your images with friends and family. Whether you're new to digital photography or want to improve your existing skills, this five-week course will develop your ability to create and share digital images you are proud of. If you're just starting out, you'll be able to learn with other people in the same situation and gain the skills to manage and manipulate your digital photographs.

During the course you will learn how to improve a photograph such as removing "red eye", how to resize, crop and save images and to create an online slide show for others to view via the internet.

For further information contact Ms Youds at the College

## Appointment of Foundation Governors to Catholic Schools

In August 2008 the majority of the Foundation Governors in the Diocese reach the end of their terms of office. If anyone would like to be considered for available vacancies, an enquiry form, together with appointment guidelines, are attached. Further information is available from Sue Blackwell at the Curial Offices—contact details incorporated on the attached enquiry form.

# P.E. Extra Curricular Timetable

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