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THEME FOR THE WEEK: "Perfectly made"



Each one of us is made in the image of God. Each one of us is filled with God's Holy Spirit. Each one of us is created for a specific purpose in life

You are called to become
God's perfect creation.
It does not matter how short
or tall you are,
How fast or slow you
might be.
It does not matter whether
you sparkle with life or are
silent like a still pool.
For you are called to
become God's perfect
creation.

FOR YOUR DIARY...

6TH FORM INFORMATION EVENING

Tuesday 25th November at 7pm

We look forward to seeing all Year 11 pupils and parents

PROUD PUPILS AT AWARDS EVENING

SJP News



Pupils receive subject awards

It was a very proud moment for many parents watched who their children being awarded certificates, trophies and medals for their achievements Eighteenth Annual Awards Evening. It was a momentous occasion for 200 pupils from Y7-13 as they came up on stage and were awarded their prizes by Frank Cottrell Boyce, the known well Liverpool

screenwriter, playwright and novelist. The occasion was also made special by the choir who provided us with a truly professional quality of singing. Frank Cottrell Boyce delivered an amusing and meaningful speech to the audience, encouraging children to keep their happy memories close to their hearts and to

continue to strive for achievement. The evening finished with light refreshments where parents and guests were served canapés, wine and soft drink in the atrium. This Awards Evening brought home to us just how well our pupils are doing and reminded us that we have so much to celebrate at SJP.



Katie Kokborg receives KS4 Music Prize and sang solo

YEAR 9 & 10 REVIEW DAY Friday 21st November 9.30 - 6.00pm

We look forward to holding our Year 9 and 10 Parent Review Day next Friday 21st November. This is an opportunity for parents and carers to meet subject teachers and discuss their children's progress in each subject. An information pack including Progress Reports and Attendance Reports will be given to parents upon arrival. It is important that all Y9 and 10 pupils attend in full school uniform with their parents. All pupils are provided with an appointments sheet so they can set a meeting time with their teachers.

If, for any reason, you cannot attend the Review Day, please can you contact your child's Head of Learning who will ensure that arrangements are made for you to see teachers at a more convenient time. However, we are sure you appreciate the importance of such an event and hope you will be able to attend. Parking will be available in the Staff Car Park.

Progress Reports

Parents of pupils in Years 7, 8, 11, 12 and 13 will now have received Progress Report 1. Reports for Years 9 and 10 will be available at Review Day on 21/11/08 9.30 am to 5.45 pm. You will have gathered from the letter accompanying this first round of Reports that we have moved over onto a new system this year. One of the advantages of our new system is that it allows us to produce and circulate all Reports electronically. Next month, you will be provided with how parents and pupils can access Reports securely via our website.

We have chosen not to set targets at this stage for our Year 7 pupils, as we are still awaiting validated SATS results from the DCSF. Parents can be confident that, once these details are with us, we will be providing the same type of ambitious targets that we have for all of our other Year groups. We firmly believe that these aspirational targets are the key to the tremendous academic progress SJP pupils make.

Parents who have questions relating to Progress Reports are invited to contact their child's Form Tutor, who will be happy to help with any queries.



NETBALL NEWS

Merseyside Netball

Congratulations to Katie Robinson (10MT) who has been accepted into the Merseyside Netball Training Academy. Katie will now train at the academy with other elite performers. Well done!

Netball v St Mary's

Well done to the Year 7 netball team who managed to grab a 4-2 victory over St Mary's for their first game of the season.

Year 7 squad:

Alyshia Billington (7JP), Beth Guttridge (7JB), Vanessa Taylor (7TL), Fay Burnell (7VP), Abbie Byrne (7BH), Hope Murray (7TL), Chloe Lucas (7VP), Lauren Hulmes (7OR), Catherine Higgins (7OR).

Katie Robinson (10MT)

The Year 8 team also managed a 9-1 win against St Mary's. Well done girls!

Year 8 squad:

Lauren Lefebvre (8VP), Bryony McNelis (8JB), Hannah Naylor (8BH), Charlotte Maxwell (8VP), Ashlea Ryan (8JB), Ashleigh Edwards (8VP), Sarah Rowley (8JB), Jade Short (8SB), Louise Roche (8BH),

School Netball League

The Wirral Schools Netball League has now started with the Year 9 & 10 teams playing their first games last night. They both took on Birkenhead High School and played fantastic games. The Year 9 team came away with a 17-12 victory but unfortunately the year 10 team didn't manage a win, despite an excellent game, ending with a 25-13 result.



House Points Project

The Christmas Caricature Competition



The ICT department is giving you a chance to get some house points by entering The Christmas Caricature Competition.

What you need to do

Using a computer create an electronic version of your favourite Christmas caricature (e.g. Santa, Rudolph). Save it to a pen drive and pass on to Mr Lee (ICT Department) or any of the ICT Department teachers. Details will be on SJP LIVE. Closing date 28 November.

IRISH NIGHT

An energetic and fun evening was had by many people who came along to 'Irish Night' last Friday evening. Mr Owen and his band performed, and Miss Heraghty showed us her skills in Irish Dancing. Mr Quinn and several other staff and pupils took to the floor and joined in dancing. A very successful first Ceilidh!



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J T Carson Ltd have written to SJP and informed us that they will cease trading in a few months.

As from 10 November all schoolwear will be substantially reduced in price which many parents may benefit from.



Lee McNeil, Matthew Cass, Christopher Shaw

Literacy Corner



Answers: 1. High Buildings; 2. Sleep; 3. Animals; 4. Horses; 5. Illness; 6. lists; 7. Beards

GCSE Geography Field Trip Tuesday 11th November

On a cold and blustery Tuesday morning, 33 year 10 pupils accompanied by Miss Smith and Mr Klabou set off to carry out a range of field surveys in the local area. The day began in Bebington with pupils moving onto New Ferry and finally Bromborough Retail Park.

The work included a land use, environmental and site survey. This will provide the primary data for completion of GCSE Geography coursework. All pupils participated fully in the day and despite the very cold and windy weather completed all work to an exceptionally high standard. The rain held off and pupils were stylishly dressed to deal with the very cold conditions.

BREAKING NEWS



'TAKE THAT'

In our build up to 'Here Comes Christmas' Friday 5th December 2008, we are able to announce some dramatic news.

We have secured two tickets for the sell out 'Take That' Concert at Old Trafford, Manchester on Friday 26^{th} June. The pair of tickets are face valued at £100 but of course their true value is priceless! Tickets will be on sale each lunchtime in the Dining Hall in the build up to Christmas. We will be selling raffle tickets for 50p a ticket or 5 for £2. Girls, mums, grandmas (and even some blokes!) what an amazing Christmas present that would make! These tickets are like Gold dust and are already selling on e-bay for big money!

Another bit of news.... we have had 3 GUITAR HERO Box sets (worth £150 each) generously donated for our fair. You will have the chance to win all 3 of these box sets on the day itself – again a fantastic prize by anyone's standards and thanks to our sponsors 'Activision'.

It looks like we could have another car to give away this year if you can throw a lucky dice – more details to follow. Our Everton and Liverpool shirts have been signed and again raffle tickets are now on sale.

Please get into the attic and get your bric-a-brac into us: Toys, games, books, DVDs, CDs, kitchenware, crockery, pictures, vases, trinkets, jewellery absolutely anything apart from clothing. Please bring it into reception. Your unwanted goods are some else's treasure!

Friday 28th November will be a non-uniform day for children and staff as part of our preparations with a £1 donation from each pupils

ALSO FOR YOUR DIARY...

HOUSE ASSEMBLIES Next Tuesday 18 November Pupils get to vote on their favourite

project to take forward to SJP's first ever Project Week taking place in June

BAND NIGHT Thursday 27th November at 7pm Tickets £3 see Mrs McNeill

> NON-UNIFORM DAY Friday 28 November £1 donation

Attendance Year 7—11

92.7%

Year 7	93.9%
Year 8	93.4%
Year 9	92.3%
Year 10	91.1%
Year 11	93.3%



We invite you to our Christmas trilogy...... DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

'HERE COMES CHRISTMAS'

The Fair that just gets bigger and better

every year Friday 5th December 2008 3pm - 5.30pm

'Dick Whittington'

A Pantomime spectacular

10th & 11th December 2008 7pm

'SJP CAROL SERVICE'

Celebrating the true meaning of Christmas

17th December 2008 7pm