



### SJP Young Designers In Clean Sweep at Competition



On Friday 12<sup>th</sup> March the school minibus plus 16 SJP students set off to Neston High School to take part in the Rotary Club Schools Technology Competition.

The four teams of four did not know what to expect but had to take with them a set of basic hand tools and equipment. After arrival each team was shown to their allotted table and had their first glance at the task in hand. We entered one team into the basic level (Year 9), one into the intermediate level (Year 10) and two teams into the advanced level (Year 12).

All teams carried out the same basic task but the higher the level the tighter the assessment criteria. Each team was given the same basic kit of materials and had to build a device to advertise a charity of their choice. There had to be a flashing light on the top of the device and a promotional logo for the charity clearly displayed. Finally the light had to flash as many times as possible for the basic group and for the advanced it also had to flash once every second.

**Well done to all those that took part!**

#### Year 9

Melanie Ferguson  
Elizabeth Martin  
Connor Holden  
Kieran Houghton

#### Year 12

Sam Tarpey  
Vicky Hoey  
Michael Cottrell  
Owen Pinch

#### Year 10

Mason Ronan  
Michael McEvoy Hayes  
Daniel Armstrong  
Emily Jones

#### Year 12

Alex Campbell  
Matthew Dodd  
Rob Wardle  
Liam Crossley

The teams had no help from their teachers because they had to sit together and carry out the same task as the student teams. Like a school project the teams had to show a portfolio of the processes and ideas they had worked through. They were not allowed to start making for the first 30 minutes so it forced all groups into deep thought and discussion.

The staff group sketched out as many different ideas as we could for a mechanical system and electrical system with the materials and equipment given. Almost all of the different ideas we thought of we saw evident in the student groups across the hall.

The teamwork exhibited by each group was very impressive and there was an incredible variety of different approaches.

At judging time the Rotarians took into account the portfolio and also the teamwork during the day as well as the number and accuracy of the flashes. The results were very close but SJP were victorious in each of the three levels.

## Cross Country

### Year 7 and 8 Short Course Cross Country

Congratulations to Jordan Hughes and Matthew Morgan after an impressive performance in the Year 8 Wirral Short Course Cross Country Championships. They finished 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> respectively in the competition. Well done!

Congratulations also to the Year 7 Girls team who finished 4<sup>th</sup> in the team competition.

Students competing for SJP:

Year 7 Boys—Lewis Crighton, Luke Bryson.

Year 7 Girls—Charis Baylis, Amy Jones, Louise Colyer, Jen Rawlings and Laura Jane Redfern.



## Healthy Schools



On Wednesday we went to Weatherhead High School to take part in a discussion on the health of young people and what we can do in school to contribute to a healthier lifestyle.

One of the things we did was to discuss a safe website called 'Kooth.com', which is specially aimed at young people and can be accessed if you have any problems or issues that you would like to discuss.

At present access for disabled people on school sites is an issue and we have been asked fill in a questionnaire to see what we can do to improve in this area.

We played a game which older pupils from all the Senior Schools had devised about how we felt when we moved from Junior School to Senior School.

We had a good day and it was interesting to meet pupils from the other schools. As representatives of Year 8 we now have to take our report back to our College Council when we meet next month.

We will express our wish to host the next Wirral Healthy Schools Pupil Panel meeting in June.

*Sarah Dooley 8BH  
Nathan McEwan 8VP*

## Tapas at La Tasca



On Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> March the MFL department and a group of Year 11 students went to the authentic Spanish restaurant, La Tasca in Liverpool.

After a busy day in school and a short train journey into Liverpool

city centre it was great to relax and enjoy a variety of traditional tapas.

The restaurant prepared a wide selection of the most popular Spanish tapas which included paella tortilla, patatas bravas and many more!

Students enjoyed tasting the different dishes and practising their Spanish with the restaurant staff.



A big "Gracias" to all Year 11 students for their excellent behaviour throughout the evening. ¡Hasta la proxima!

## Want a Career in Sport?

Year 11 and Year 12 students were given the opportunity to work with some of the UK's top coaches on a programme devised and headed by former International and World Cup footballer David Campbell. They were given information on a number of football and multi-sport coaching opportunities and were invited to attend a taster session running after Easter.

The courses offer opportunities to work in the UK or abroad including America, China, Australia and the Caribbean, visits to major sports events and Premier league clubs as well as weekly work placement coaching opportunities.

It was a thoroughly informative and enjoyable day.

## PFOP MEETING

The next PFOP meeting will be held on Tuesday 23rd March 2010 at 7pm in the college staff room.  
All Welcome!

## Library News



### ACCELERATED READER

At the start of the new term we are re-launching the Accelerated Reading programme for pupils in Year 7,8 and 9 which proved to be very popular last year.

Accelerated Reader is an exciting programme that motivates pupils to read regularly by taking on-line quizzes and gaining points for every quiz passed. Certificates and prizes will be awarded at the end of every term to pupils that have been regularly using the programme.

Any pupil in Year 7,8 or 9 wishing to use Accelerated Reader simply needs to choose a book from the dedicated area in the library (there are hundreds of top titles to choose from!). Once the book has been read, click on the link from the SJP homepage, under Pupil Portal and enter your username and password. See Mrs Broom for more details.

### HAPPY QUIZZING!

#### New Books Coming Soon!

From fantasy adventure and supernatural thrillers to the latest vampire romance, book-inspired films are a great way to get the most reluctant of readers stuck into a book. Some books to look out for this term include: *The Twilight* series or *The Lovely Bones* and *Percy Jackson and the Lightning Thief*, which are both out in cinemas now.

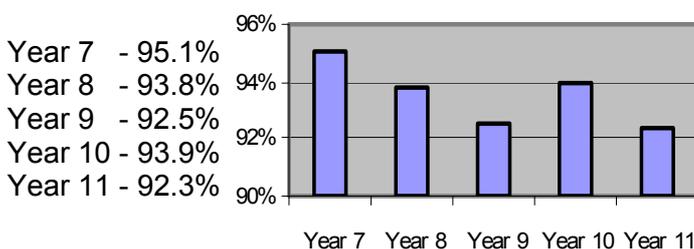


#### Top 5 Borrowers This Week

Louise Padmore 7TL, Caitlin Thomas 7TL, Imo Peters 8OR, Kayleigh Lamb 8OR and Reece Sellers 9JB

## Attendance

Attendance figures up to 18.03.2010



## Literacy Corner

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#### Easter Word Search

Words can go horizontally, vertically and diagonally.

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p n j k b b u n n y m t t h r
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m t t h h g n j m k x g v p d
r r k d c h p n s l g b r a g
e p j e n z h a e e g j f n n
t a j d t v b k g t m f m t i
s l p x k a n l k p o d n h r
a m f w p f l t x d q k c j p
e s b h m l g o i n x z j x s
j u k q u j z l c x m l l t t
g n m x y n s l m o k h y k n
n d x g j t t b k n h v b h t
m a n x d p w m n t j c j c d
r y r r x x v p c h i c k m g
v s n u b s s o r c t o h t l
    
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- basket
- chick
- easter
- hunt
- bonnet
- chocolate
- eggs
- palm sunday
- bunny
- daffodils
- hot cross buns
- spring

## Puzzle Corner

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8	9	3	1	5	6	7	4	2
1	6	4	7	8	2	9	3	5
2	5	7	3	4	9	6	8	1
9	1	5	8	6	3	2	7	4
3	7	8	5	2	4	1	6	9
4	2	6	9	1	7	3	5	8

Solution for last week

## Language Corner



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#### French Easter Quiz



1. Comment dit-on 'Easter' en français?  
The word for Easter is.....

- A. Paquet B. Pâques C. Papillon



2. Quelle saison? Easter is in the season of.....

- A. printemps B. hiver C. été



3. Qu'est-ce que c'est? What is it?.....  
Un oeuf de Pâques.

- A. An Easter egg. B. An Easter bunny  
C. An Easter card



4. Qu'est-ce que c'est? What is it?.....  
Le lièvre de Pâques.

- A. The Easter parade. B. The Easter bunny.  
C. The Easter dinner.



5. According to the French tradition, where do all the church bells fly to, at Easter?

- A. Rome B. Paris C. Madrid

## Maths

### Mathematics Brain Teaser

What is the product of all of the numbers on a telephone??

Answers to Mrs Bell or Miss McGagh  
by Friday 12th March

Good Luck!!

## Try Again

**IF AT FIRST  
YOU DON'T  
SUCCEED,  
TRY, TRY  
AGAIN!**

don't seem to have today. Jesus told the woman, "Go and don't sin anymore." She was given the chance to make a fresh start. This is the message of Lent: if we are really sorry God will forgive us and we can start afresh and try again.

*But Jesus went to the Mount of Olives. At dawn he appeared again in the temple courts, where all the people gathered around him, and he sat down to teach them. The teachers of the law and the Pharisees brought in a woman caught in adultery. They made her stand before the group and said to Jesus, "Teacher, this woman was caught in the act of adultery. in the Law Moses commanded us to stone such women. Now what do you say?" They were*

*using this question as a trap, in order to have a basis for accusing him.*

*But Jesus bent down and started to write on the ground with his finger. When they kept on questioning him, he straightened up and said to them, "If any one of you is without sin, let him be the first to throw a stone at her." Again he stooped down and wrote on the ground.*

*At this, those who heard began to go away one at a time, the older ones first, until only Jesus was left, with the woman still standing there. Jesus straightened up and asked her, "Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?" "No one, sir," she said. "Then neither do I condemn you," Jesus declared. "Go now and leave your life of sin."*

*John 8: 1-11*

**Father in Heaven, the love of your Son Jesus led him to accept the suffering of the cross. Change our selfishness into self-giving. Help us to transform the darkness of this world's pain into the life and joy of Easter.**

**Amen**