



### FORTUNE FAVOURS LUCKY TWELVE WITH XI'AN FACTOR!

#### China Summer Camp 2010

We are delighted to announce that twelve SJP pupils have won places on a prestigious trip to China this summer.



The group of Year 11 pupils will be heading to Beijing and then on to Xi'an, the capital of Shaanxi province, after they have completed their GCSE exams.

This fantastic experience is sponsored by the SSAT (the Specialist Schools and Academies Trust), Hanban (the culture and language office of the Chinese government) and further subsidised by the governors of SJP.

The group will be learning Mandarin (the Chinese language spoken in the region) and getting to know the culture.

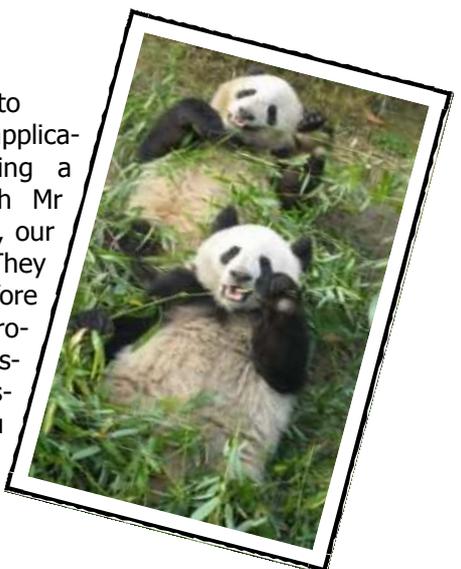
The placement in Xi'an will allow our pupils to meet and get to know Chinese students as well as to sample the incredible historical and cultural



highlights of a city with more than 3,000 years of history. Xi'an is perhaps best known as the home of the world-famous Terracotta Army (see the banner above). As the start of the ancient silk-route to the west, Xi'an has a long story of reaching out to other cultures

and peoples - an ongoing tradition SJP are proud to be a part of.

The lucky twelve had to undergo a rigorous application process, including a formal interview with Mr Quinn and Mrs Marks, our Chair of Governors. They will spend time before they depart with introductory language sessions and fundraising. We will keep you up to date about their progress on this once-in-a-lifetime trip.



# Spanish Trip to Barcelona



On Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> March, during the first week of the Easter holidays, 34 Year 9 Spanish students flew out of Liverpool airport to Barcelona accompanied by Mrs Carter, Miss Cairns, Mr Dolan and Mr Nunnery.

Despite meeting at 4am on the Sunday morning for an early flight, everyone was very excited to explore the local area where we were staying. The hotel was just a few minutes walk from the beach in the area of Tossa de Mar, a traditional village about an hour's coach drive from the centre of Barcelona. On the first day there was time to look around the area, relax on the beach with an ice cream and have fun practising Spanish in the local shops.



Dali museum located in his former home town of Figueres, which holds the largest surrealist art objects in the world and then spending the afternoon in the historical town of

Girona. Here we had lunch on the embankment and explored the town, full of quaint little shops, charming winding streets and the magnificent cathedral which overlooks the river and can be seen from miles around.

On Wednesday the group travelled to the famous Port Aventura theme park in the resort of Salou, to spend the day on over 30 different rides including 6 huge roller coasters and 3 water rides ( the fastest ride travelling at 84 mph!). On the last day the group visited a local market which sold jewellery, souvenirs and watermelons and we ate in



a traditional restaurant before heading off to the airport.



After such busy days, evenings were spent playing football, volleyball or rounders on the beach, walking through the old town or playing table tennis in the hotel.

The trip was a fantastic success where all students were immersed in Spanish culture and had many chances to practise their language skills. It certainly was a fun, educational and memorable trip.



On Monday we went by coach to visit the Nou Camp Stadium, home of the famous FC Barcelona. With a capacity of 98,787, it is the largest stadium in Europe, the group felt very small walking around the pitch. They also got to walk out of the tunnel, see the dressing rooms, 420 trophies, players' chapel and museum that were also within the grounds. In the afternoon the group walked up Las Ramblas, the central street in the city of Barcelona, known for its street artists, market stalls and shops.

Tuesday was also packed with lots to do, first visiting the Salvador



### Mobile Phones

Can we remind parents, carers and pupils of our policy regarding mobile phones (which is detailed in our Parent Handbook). If pupils have a mobile phone with them in school (which we do not advise), they should be switched off and put away whilst on the premises. Therefore pupils should not be switching on their phones or have them on view during the course of the school day. Phones should only be on view and switched on once pupils have gone beyond the school gates. Should pupils not follow these rules we reserve the right to confiscate their phones without notice. Phones may subsequently be obtained by parents/carers from reception. As ever, should you need to contact your child in urgent circumstances, please use the main SJP phone number.

## Active Playground Scheme

SJP is launching an Active Playground Scheme which will allow pupils to hire out a variety of sports equipment during lunch time. The pupils will be able to play with their friends or enter tournaments run by the PE department and Sports Council. Pupils will be able to participate in Table Tennis, Skittles, Giant Jenga, Connect 4, Snakes and Ladders, Football Target Games, Mini Tennis, Cricket, Skipping Ropes and many more!

If you want to hire out any of this equipment you must purchase a Playground Equipment Card which costs only £1 and will act as your deposit. Ask in the PE Department for more information and sign up with your Form Tutor if you would like to purchase a card.

## Football News

Year 10  
Semi Final, here we come!

The Year 10 team fought and battled hard to make it to the semi final of the Wirral Cup last night. In a close game the Year 10 boys dug deep and managed to score early before South Wirral equalized mid-way through the second half. The game rolled onto penalties and SJP finished victorious, 5-4 on penalties. Mathew Paxton made the difference with a superb save. Well done to all the boys, they really played fabulous football.

Man of the Match was Lewis Connelly for an outstanding performance throughout the game.



Can we please have any Tesco vouchers you receive for us to be able to purchase some new equipment. Please hand them in to Reception.

## SJP's Champions League



A great new scheme will be launched next week. All Year 7 forms have been allocated a Champions League football team and will be involved in a competitive league based around attendance figures each week.

The more students in that form who are on time for school that week, the more points the team will score. The team with the highest points score at the end of this half term will be crowned the 'champions' and win an afternoon out of school to a leisure facility of their choice.

At SJP we love to reward our students and want them to work together to achieve their goals. Good luck

Year 7 students and remember to keep your eye out for league tables each week on this newsletter.



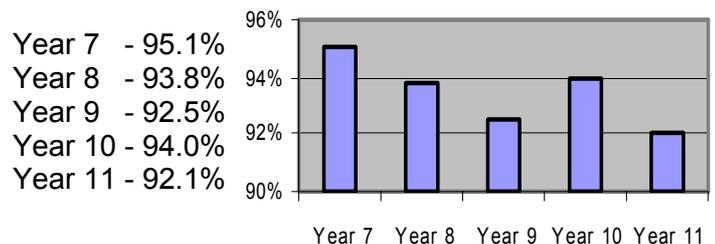
## PFOP MEETING

The next PFOP meeting will be held on Tuesday 27th April 2010 at 7pm in the college staff room.

All Welcome!

## Attendance

Attendance figures up to 16.04.2010



## Language Corner



Listening to music in a foreign language is a good way of practising your listening skills and it can be interesting to know what people of your age in other parts of the world are listening to. The latest updates on the French and Spanish singles charts are always available online for you to see. You will find that lots of the songs are actually in English and are the same as we are listening to here but there will always be some which are in their own language.

Here is a copy of the top ten singles in France from last week!

1. "Alors On Danse" Stromae
2. "Pour Un Infidele" Coeur De Pirate
3. "Dingue, Dingue, Dingue" Christophe Mae
4. "Baby" Justin Bieber Ft. Ludacris
5. "Tik Tok" Ke\$ha
6. "Bad Romance" Lady Gaga
7. "Hot" Inna
8. "Collectif Metisse" Collectif Metisse
9. "Memories" David Guetta Ft. Kid Cudi
10. "Rude Boy" Rihanna

To hear these songs and watch the videos search online using the song name and the name of the artist. See if you can understand what the song is about and try to recognise some of the words!

## Maths Puzzle Corner

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Solution for last week

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## Weekly Theme — Living Witness



Afterwards Jesus appeared again to his disciples, by the Sea of Tiberias. It happened this way: Simon Peter, Thomas (called Didymus), Nathanael from Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two other disciples were together. "I'm going out to fish," Simon Peter told them, and they said, "We'll go with you." So they went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

Early in the morning, Jesus stood on the shore, but the disciples did not realize that it was Jesus.

He called out to them, "Friends, haven't you any fish?" "No," they answered.

He said, "Throw your net on the right side of the boat and you will find some." When they did, they were unable to haul the net in because of the large number of fish.

Then the disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" As soon as Simon Peter heard him say, "It is the Lord," he wrapped his outer garment around him (for he had taken it off) and jumped into the water. The other disciples followed in the boat, towing the net full of fish, for they were not far from shore, about a hundred yards. When they landed, they saw a fire of burning coals there with fish on it, and some bread.

Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish you have just caught." Simon Peter climbed aboard and dragged the net ashore. It was full of large fish, 153, but even with so many the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." None of the disciples dared ask him, "Who are you?" They knew it was the Lord.

Jesus came, took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. This was now the third time Jesus appeared to his disciples after he was raised from the dead.

When they had finished eating, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you truly love me more than these?" "Yes, Lord,"

he said, "you know that I love you." Jesus said, "Feed my lambs." Again Jesus said, "Simon son of John, do you truly love me?" He answered, "Yes, Lord, you know that I love you." Jesus said, "Take care of my sheep."

The third time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter was hurt because Jesus asked him the third time, "Do you love me?" He said, "Lord, you know all things; you know that I love you."

Jesus said, "Feed my sheep. I tell you the truth, when you were younger you dressed yourself and went where you wanted; but when you are old you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will dress you and lead you where you do not want to go." Jesus said this to indicate the kind of death by which Peter would glorify God. Then he said to him, "Follow me!"

### John 21: 1-19

#### Living witnesses

It's a remarkable claim: that your friend has risen from the dead! No wonder that the friends of Jesus, at first, found it so difficult to believe. But as soon as they did, they were keen to tell everyone that they met about it! Each of the apostles was put to death for that keenness and that witnessing. Today as followers of Jesus we are faced with the same challenge to believe that Jesus rose from the dead and to witness to that belief by the way in which we live our lives. We are a people of joy and of hope.

**Father, you raised your Son to a glorious new life with you. May we have a deep faith in the Resurrection and be your witnesses by the joy and quality of our lives.**

**Amen**

"Our Lord has written the promise of the Resurrection, not in books alone, but in every leaf of springtime." Martin Luther

