



## Happy New Year



### Review Day

A reminder that Year 8 and Year 9 Review Day takes place on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> January from 9am – 1pm and then from 2pm – 6pm. Year 8 and Year 9 pupils should attend for their appointments with parents/carers in full school uniform. Pupils should make appointments in the next week.

Years 7, 10, 11 and Sixth Form should be working from home; work will be set for English, Maths and Science via the VLE.

Should you have any queries, please contact Head of Learning in the first instance.

## Battlefields Trip

The History department are excited to announce that we are running our annual WWI Battlefields tour this summer, 24-27th June 2011. We will be experiencing first hand life on the Western Front by visiting:

- The trenches in Ypres Salient,
- The Somme,
- Underground bunkers in Vimy Ridge
- War memorials (e.g. Tyne Cot).

If you are interested please see your history teacher for a letter.

## Christmas Appeal



This Christmas, Year 8 pupils worked hard to produce a selection of Christmas gifts for the babies at our local Special Care Baby Unit at Arrowe Park.

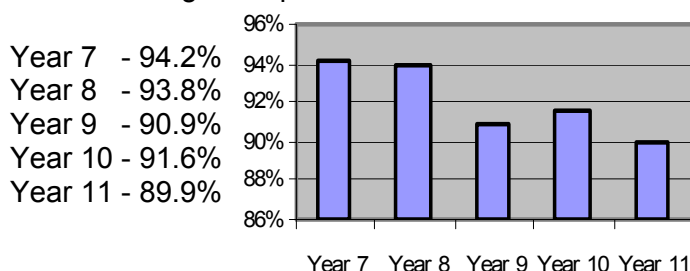
The basket of goodies was full of hand painted baubles, prayer cards and Christmas stockings all handmade by some of our Year 8 pupils. There was also a selection of beautifully knitted bonnets and cardigans that have been knitted by the family members of some of our pupils. Thank you to everyone involved.

### Next PFOP meeting

Tuesday 1st February 2011  
7pm  
In the College Staff Room.

## Attendance

Attendance figures up to **07.01.2011**



## Cancer Research



Matthew Paxton Year 11 and Lukasz Babol Year 11 ran a half marathon in Birkenead Park (13.1 miles) on Sunday 19th December 2010 and they have raised nearly £600 in support of Cancer Research. Well done!

## Hampers

Christmas! A time of goodwill to all. This was certainly the case when Sixth Form students delivered 35 hampers to housebound parishioners on the Wirral. Students throughout the school community were asked to bring in tinned goods, biscuits, tea and coffee, and these items were put together by the PTA into Christmas Hampers. Our Sixth Form students went far and wide delivering the hampers despite the bitter and snowy conditions. One of the students who helped spread this Christmas cheer was Jessica Leasor. "We walked in snow and hail to deliver the hampers, but it was worth it when we saw the faces of the people we delivered them to, one lady even gave us a hug when we delivered it. It was a real privilege to be able to make so many people happy."

The Sixth Form students also collected in toiletries in conjunction with the PTA for the Women's Refuge and donated money so that more items could be added to the hampers. There were three bags full of toiletries, sweets and biscuits donated to the refuge. The Sixth Form will continue to fundraise for the refuge throughout the school year, as this is the Year 13 charity.

## Help for Heroes

This time last year we sent a notice to Help4Heroes to let them know that we were starting fundraising by selling biscuits with a target of raising £200. On 17th December we posted the final £300 cheque for 2010 to bring the total raised for the year to £2000. We have sold biscuits, cakes, ice pops and had donations of jewellery. Thanks to everyone who helped to raise the funds and good luck to Year 11 who are fundraising for H4H this year.



## Bliss



### Are you a keen knitter?

The Year 8 team is trying to help premature babies.

### Many thanks to those of you have donated already but the demand is constant.

Can you help by knitting a small blanket? Or even a small hat or cardigan? One in nine babies are born prematurely or very sick. When they are born they need to be kept warm. Normal baby clothes are too big for these tiny miracles. This year, Year 8 is supporting the premature baby charity BLISS and in particular our local Special Baby Care Unit.

Your kind creations and donations will go directly to our local hospital. We need donations throughout the school year so dust off those knitting needles and drop your donations into our reception marked FAO Mrs L Owen. Knitting patterns for premature baby clothes can be provided. Please contact Mrs Owen or download from the BLISS website:

<http://www.bliss.org.uk/page.asp?section=240&sectionTitle=Knit+for+Bliss>

Thanks for your help

**Bliss**  
for babies born too soon,  
too small, too sick

## Would you like to be part of SJP's ECO team?

Miss Phillips is now recruiting the 2011 team. Please see Miss Phillips to express your interest

## Library News

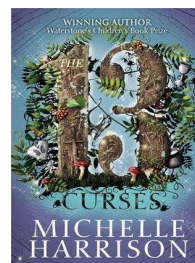
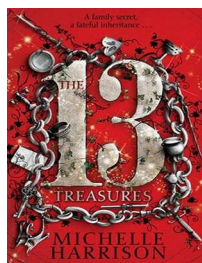


### AUTHOR VISIT

**Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> February 1.30 – 3.20pm**

Children's fantasy author, Michelle Harrison is visiting our school on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> February and will be providing a fascinating insight into her life as a writer.

Michelle's first book, 'The 13 Treasures' won the Waterstone's Children's Book Prize in 2009 and has sold in the USA and 14 other countries. Its sequel 'The 13 Curses' was published in January 2010 and the latest book in the series 'The 13 Secrets' is in the shops now. All the books will be available to borrow from the library shortly.



There will be an opportunity to buy books on the day and get them signed by Michelle.

You can find more information about the author at:  
[www.michelleharrisonbooks.com](http://www.michelleharrisonbooks.com)

If any pupils in Year 7 or 8 would like to attend the event please see Mrs Broom in the library.

## Revision Classes

### RE Revision Classes Year 9 & Year 10 pupils

Year 9 Tuesday 3.30 to 4.00 RE5

Year 10 Wednesday 3.30 to 4.00 RE5

## Language Corner

Here's another French recipe you might like to try:

### CRÊPES

500 grammes de farine	
4 oeufs	
1 litre de lait	
2 cuillères à soupe d'huile	
1 pincée de sel	

Dans un récipient, mélange tous les ingrédients avec un fouet.

Fais cuire à la poêle ou dans une crêpière avec un petit morceau de beurre.

Verse un peu de pâte dans la poêle chaude avec une louche.

Laisse dorer pendant quelques secondes, puis retourne la crêpe.

Sers avec de la confiture ou du Nutella.

## Puzzle Corner

### Number Race ☆☆☆ 8

Here are the first few **square** numbers:

1	4	9	16	25	36	49
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Here are the first few **Fibonacci** numbers:

1	1	2	3	5	8	13
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The square numbers are well in the lead. Do the Fibonacci numbers ever catch up?

...and here are the **triangular** numbers coming up on the rails...

1	3	6	10	15	21	28
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Solution form last week

### 7. Number Pyramids

57. Each number is obtained by adding the two immediately below. A good strategy for solving these puzzles is to start with the target number in place and to work downwards. This can clearly be extended to non-integral and negative targets.

## Weekly Theme - "One of a Kind"



I know that I am special; we each believe that we are special. We have this sense of uniqueness. We have just celebrated the amazing belief that God became one of us. God lived among us a human being!

*In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning. Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it. There was a man sent from God whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify concerning that light, so that through him all might believe. He himself was not the light; he came*

*only as a witness to the light.*

**Father of Our Lord Jesus Christ, the simple dignity of the babe of Bethlehem reminds us of our own dignity as your adopted children. May we find your love in each other and reflect it in our lives. Amen.**

"At the end of life we will not be judged by how many diplomas we have received, how much money we have made, how many great things we have done. We will be judged by 'I was hungry and you gave me to eat, I was naked and you clothed me, I was homeless and you took me in.' Hungry not only for bread - but hungry for love. Naked not only for clothing - but naked for human dignity and respect. Homeless not only for want of a room of bricks - but homeless because of rejection".

**Mother Teresa**