

# Newslette

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## SJP's Got Talent is Back!

It's that time of year again...the excitement is building and our talented pupils are getting warmed up and ready to take part in the talent show of the year.

We are looking for singers, dancers, actors, comedians, magicians...anybody with a talent! It's a great opportunity for our pupils to shine and show everyone what they can do. You can collect your application forms from Reception and return them to Reception once completed.



### **Mobile Phones**

We would like to remind parents of our school policy regarding mobile phones. Since the Christmas break we have had a number of occasions whereby pupils have tried to access their phone during the course of the school day.

Please refer to the Parent Handbook (Page 27) where it is stated:

We advise that pupils do not bring mobile phones into the College. Any mobile phones brought in should be switched off and put away whilst on the premises. We do not take any responsibility for loss of or damage to mobile phones. Inappropriate use of phones in school will result in confiscation without notice (they may subsequently be obtained by parents from Reception).

We have reminded pupils about the need to ensure that any phones should be switched off when they arrive on the premises and should not be turned back on until they have left the premises. Under no circumstances should pupils be contacting their parents on their phone during the course of the day. We would also remind parents that if there is an urgent need to contact your son/daughter during the course of the school day that they should contact Reception in the first instance. We appreciate the support parents give us on such matters.

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## **DT Competition**



# Y7, 8 & 9 Art / DT Competition!



Create a portrait of the Queen for her 85<sup>th</sup> birthday!

Win cash prizes and commemorative mugs!

All entries will be presented to the Queen!

We will also select SJP winners who will be rewarded.

All entries are due in by **WEDNESDAY 26th JANUARY**and will be sent off.

### To enter, here's what you need to do:

The Queen may be depicted as at any age (i.e. not just as she looks now).

Pictures may be created at any size and proportion. You can use paint, colouring pencils, collage or any other media.



## **UCAS Success**

Well done to all our Year 13s who have successfully completed their UCAS applications to Universities well before the deadline. After much deliberation they decided on the five university courses they wanted to apply for, filled in the application form and wrote their personal statements, with support and guidance from their Form Tutors.

Ninety- six applications have been sent and all but a few now have several offers already, for which they must be commended. Sixteen pupils have all five offers and are now in a position to choose their first and second choice course. Well done to you all!

With another five pupils applying for Art Foundation courses, three to the Armed Forces and the remainder for apprenticeships/employment, the year group are preparing to embark on their next journey – with only a small matter of coursework and several exams to revise for first! And of course the Leavers Dinner!

A big thank you to all of the Year 13 Form Tutors, who have helped throughout this whole process: their advice and guidance have been invaluable.

# **Claire House Visit**

### 10 MK Visit Claire House Children's Hospice

Before we finished college for our Christmas holidays, members of 10Mk delivered selection boxes to Claire House Children's Hospice. The selection boxes were collected by the members of the form throughout December. They were given to patients and their brothers and sisters and their families who would be celebrating Christmas at the hospice.

## **Work Related Learning**

#### **Work Related Talks**

Throughout the year pupils will be able to attend work related talks which will focus on specific job roles and the different routes available into that area of employment. These will ensure pupils are better informed about the world of work.

### **Programme for Spring Term**

Sports Coaching 13th January 11.00 - 12.00

Mark Gardnet is a qualified Sports Coach. He gained his qualifications through the FA coaching programme. He also worked in America as a football coach and is now working as a coach in a Soccer school based in Liverpool.

Recruitment Friday 28th January 9.40 - 10.40

Following a successful & enjoyable sixteen years at the top level in two high street commercial recruiters in Chester & Liverpool, Roseanne Stockton went to work in Fashion recruiting in London & Glasgow - recruiting for Christian Dior, Tiffany & Co, All Saints & Chanel. She left in Feb 2010 and then set up her own Recruitment Agency eight months later: Nu-Recruit.

Armed Forces Friday 11<sup>th</sup> February 11.00 - 12.00

The presentation will cover the 140 technical and non technical career paths that the Armed Forces have to offer

Medicine Monday 7th March 9.40am - 10.40am.

This talk is about the responsibilities and day to day duties of a GP (Doctor) and the different aspects of the job.

Police Monday 21st March 11.00am - 12.00

Josie Gouldon will talk about the range of jobs within the Police service and the skills required.

## PE Extra curricular timetable



# P.E. Extra Curricular Timetable

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday		
		7/6 <sup>th</sup> Assembly		8/11 Assembly	9/10 Assembly		
12pm	CHANGING TIME & SIGN IN FOR ALL CLUBS						
12-12.40pm	KS4 pupils in		Yr 10/11 Dance	Yr 10 Dance	Yr7/8 Badminton		
	academic review		(KP)	Leaders (VLH)	(JCP)		
	8 -45	Yr 11/12 Netball	Vado/dd Deesker	NG 0/40 No45 off			
	Active		Yr10/11 Rugby	Yr9/10 Netball			
	Playground	(VLH)	(JSE)	(JCP)			
		Yr 10/11 Football	Yr7/8 Basketball	Cross Country	Yr11/12		
		(MJH)	(MJH)	(MJH)	Basketball (JSE)		
12.40 - 1.15pm	KS3 pupils in	Yr8/9 Dance (KP)	Yr 10 Dance	Yr7 Dance (KP)	Yr7/8 Netball		
'	academic review		Leaders (VLH)		(VLH)		
	BTEC	V-0/0 D ( ICE)		\6-7 Db ( ICE)			
	BTEC	Yr8/9 Rugby (JSE)		Yr7 Rugby (JSE)			
	Coursework Club	Yr9 Football	Yr7/8/9 Girls	Yr9/10	Yr7 Football		
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	Playground				Yr8 Football		
					(MJH)		
3.20-4.30pm	Yr8/9 Dance –	Yr7 Dance	Yr 10/11 Dance	Rugby-All Years	Badminton –		
	Gemma (Dance				Yr9-11		
	Coach)		Yr7/8 Netball	Yr9/10 Netball			
	Girls Football – All	167/0/0 Fa -4b -''	V6-40/44 F4k = ''		BTEC		
	years (Tranmere	Yr7/8/9 Football	Yr 10/11 Football		Coursework		
	Rovers)		KS3 Basketball		Club		
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## **Sports Stars**

Over the next coming months the PE department will be presenting to you some of its true sports stars. Each month stories and profiles of our top sports stars will feature in SJP News.

The first sports star we take a look at is Aimee Cheung, Dance Superstar. If you feel you have sports story to tell to please come and discuss it with the PE department.

Aimee Cheung (Year 10) enjoys all aspects of sports, particularly netball and gymnastics. Amy is especially good at dance. Amy has performed at dance shows and competitions in lots of places such as the Liverpool Empire and Liverpool Echo Arena.

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The dance troupe she attends regularly performs at Tranmere Rovers; she also recently danced for the soldiers returning from Afghanistan at Congleton. Amy would like to dance as a career and attend a dance college in London called 'Pineapple'. Amy's dream would be to dance in the top West End shows in London theatre such as "Chicago."

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Next **PFOP** meeting
Tuesday 1st February 2011
7pm
in the College Staff Room.
All are welcome!

## RE Revision Classes Year 9 & Year 10 pupils

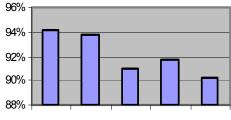
Year 9 Tuesday 3.30 to 4.00 RE5

Year 10 Wednesday 3.30 to 4.00 RE5

## **Attendance**

Attendance figures up to 14.01.2011

Year 7 - 94.1% Year 8 - 93.8% Year 9 - 90.9% 92% Year 10 - 91.7% 90% Year 11 - 90.2%



Year 7 Year 8 Year 9 Year 10 Year 11

## Language Corner

### ¿Qué es Pais Vasco?



El Pais Vasco es una región en el noreste de España. Hace frontera con Francia. La capital del Pais Vasco es Vitoria. El Pais Vasco es famoso por sus restaurantes y su cultura.

Can you correct these statements? Circle the right answer!

- 1. Exactly whereabouts in Spain is Pais Vasco?
- What is the capital called? 2.
- 3. Which country does this region border?
- What is this region famous for?

First five returned completed tasks get a house point. Please see Mr Sweetman.

## **Puzzle Corner**

**Magic Squares** 

Can you put the digits 1 to 9 in a square so that every row, column and diagonal add to 15?

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### This example doesn't work:

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	9	6	4	→19
	2	7	8	→17
13	112	116	117	115

Solution for last week

#### 8. Number Race

The 12<sup>th</sup> square and Fibonacci numbers are both 144. After the Fibonacci numbers are in the lead. The 10<sup>th</sup> Fibonacci and triangular numbers are both 55. After the triangular numbers are forever doomed to 3<sup>rd</sup> place. A good opportunity to explore the Fibonacci number.

## Weekly Theme - Counting the Cost



Jesus was a man for others. Although he could command respect, he did not; he lived humbly attending to the needs of others, like a servant. He was always at people's beck and call. One of the most enduring pictures of Jesus and his service to others was when he

washed his friends' feet at the Last Supper. He told us that we should provide the same kind of humble service.

#### John 13:1-16

Just before the Passover Feast, Jesus knew that the time had come to leave this world to go to the Father. Having loved his dear companions, he continued to love them right to the end. It was suppertime. The Devil by now had Judas, son of Simon the Iscariot, firmly in his grip, all set for the betrayal.

Jesus knew that the Father had put him in complete charge of everything, that he came from God and was on his way back to God. So he got up from the supper table, set aside his robe, and put on an apron. Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the feet of the disciples, drying them with his apron. When he got to Simon Peter, Peter said, "Master, you wash my feet?"

Jesus answered, "You don't understand now what I'm doing, but it will be clear enough to you later."

Peter persisted, "You're not going to wash my feet—ever!" Jesus said, "If I don't wash you, you can't be part of what I'm doing."

"Master!" said Peter. "Not only my feet, then. Wash my hands! Wash my head!"

Jesus said, "If you've had a bath in the morning, you only need your feet washed now and you're clean from head to toe. My concern, you understand, is holiness, not hygiene. So now you're clean. But not every one of you." (He knew who was betraying him. That's why he said, "Not every one of you.") After he had finished washing their feet, he took his robe, put it back on, and went back to his place at the table.

Then he said, "Do you understand what I have done to you?" You address me as 'Teacher' and 'Master,' and rightly so. That is what I am. So if I, the Master and Teacher, washed your feet, you must now wash each other's feet. I've laid down a pattern for you. What I've done, you do. I'm only pointing out the obvious. A servant is not ranked above his master; an employee doesn't give orders to the employer. If you understand what I'm telling you, act like it—and live a blessed life.

### Almighty and ever-present Father,

You see all that we do, but your glance is a look of love. May you see us imitating your Son, Jesus, who was not proud and full of his own importance, but humbly helped everyone as a servant.

Amen





















