

Newsletter

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Dublin Trip



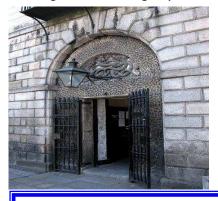


Last weekend the Year 12s went on a day trip to the fair city of Molly Malone. In spite of the early start everyone was in high spirits and looking forward to the flight to the Emerald Isle.

Having a hearty Irish breakfast we trekked cross-city to Kilmainham Gaol where students saw first hand a place were Irish Republican rebels were housed following the Easter Rising of 1916. The party were taken aback by the atmosphere inside the Dickensian gaol and were humbled when they heard of stories of people who would deliberately commit a crime in order to have food and shelter.

Following the visit to the gaol the students got into tourist mode and took in the wondrous sights including Temple Street, Molly Malone's statue and the spire of Dublin on O'Connell Street taking lots of pictures along the way.

There was just enough time for a bit of souvenir shopping before flying back to Liverpool John Lennon and the end of an exciting but exhausting day!







Key Stage 4 Information Evening

The Key Stage 4 Information Evening will take place on Wednesday 9th February. The evening will be split into two sessions: 9JB,9MT,9TL and 9VP will attend at 6.30pm, followed by 9MK,9OR,9SB and 9BH at 7.15pm.

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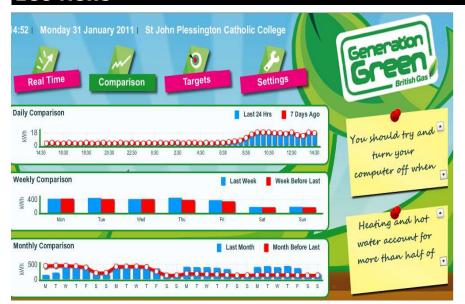








ECO News



As part of SJP's continued dedication towards 'protecting the environment for future generations', we have installed a permanent monitoring device. This can be displayed on our monitors throughout College where staff and pupils can look at the amount of electricity that is being used at that moment. We will also be able to set challenging targets, further reducing the consumption.

The data that is collected can also be used in lessons as part of the curriculum showing historical or real time energy use at SJP.

Work Experience



Work Experience 2011

Reminder to all Year 10 and Year 12 pupils that the details of where they are completing their work experience in the Summer Term need to be returned to college as soon as

possible. These need to be signed by both the employer and parents/carers.

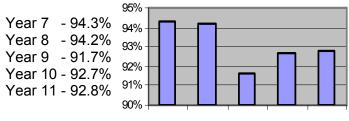
Thank you.

Next **PTA** meeting Tuesday 15th February 2011 7pm in the College Staff Room.

All are welcome!

Attendance

Attendance figures up to 04.02.2011



Year 7 Year 8 Year 9 Year 10 Year 11

Literacy

Word of the Week

Dichotomy:

The word is pronounced: [die-[kot]-a-mee]

It is a noun meaning division into two opposed groups or parts. The word *Dichotomy* should always refer to a division of some kind into two groups. It is sometimes used to refer to a puzzling situation which seems to involve a contradiction, but this use is generally thought to be incorrect.

The word originates from the Greek word *dicha meaning* in two + *temnein* to cut.

The adjective of the word is dichotomous.



RE Revision Classes Year 9 & Year 10 Pupils

Year 9 Tuesday 3.30 to 4.00 RE5

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Year 10 Wednesday 3.30 to 4.00 RE5

Author Visits SJP!

On Tuesday 1st February pupils from Years 7,8 and 9 welcomed award winning children's author *Michelle Harrison*, famous for her series of books *The 13 Treasures*, to our College.

Throughout the afternoon the audience listened intently as Michelle gave an intriguing insight into her life as a children's author and book editor. She shared with everyone memorable events in her childhood that inspired her to write *The 13 Treasures.*

After talking about her on-going fascination with fairies the students couldn't wait to ask their many varied questions.

The afternoon was rounded off with Michelle signing copies of her books for everyone.









Damian McLaughlin meets the author

Michelle Harrison signing some of her books

You can access more information about Michelle Harrison and her books at www.michelleharrisonbooks.com

Language Corner



Uruguay está en Sudamérica. La Capital de Uruguay es Montevideo. En Uruguay se habla Español. El famoso futbolista Luis Suarez es de Uruguay. Uruguay ganó la primera Copa Mundial en 1930. Tiene una populación de 3,5 millones de personas.

Can you answer these questions?

- 1. In which continent is Uruguay?
- 2. What is the name of its capital city?
- 3. What is the name of one of its famous football-
- 4. What did Uruguay win in 1930?

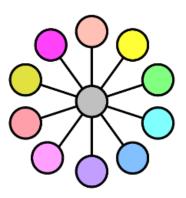
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Puzzle Corner

Number Lines 2

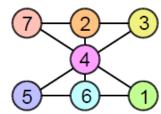
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Can you put the digits 1 to 11 in the circles so that every line has the same total?



Solution for last week

Number Lines 1 You could give the hint that the centre digit



Weekly Theme - Learning by Example



We learn by example: we see and hear how our parents and those around us do things and we learn. Example is one of the most powerful forces on our planet. Jesus gave us the example of obedience to his Father and his courage in facing his

suffering, his willingness to forgive. In fact, the example of his whole life is very powerful.

Jesus expects all who follow him to give good examples too -"You are the light of the world," he says.

Matthew 5:13-16

"You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled underfoot.

"You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven."

Father, watch over us, for we are your family. Keep us safe from harm.

May no actions or thoughts of ours hurt others, for you love each of them as you love us. Amen

The Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes

On the 11th February we celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes.

In 1858 Mary appeared to Bernadette Soubirous, a poor and sickly child born in Lourdes in 1844 and who died, as an enclosed nun, in Nevers in 1875.

Our Lady told Bernadette that she was the Immaculate Conception. She wanted a chapel built and people to process to drink the water from the spring she instructed Bernadette to scratch from the earth and also to do penance. To this day, millions of people visit the shrine at Lourdes every year.

This summer we are hoping once again to take members of our Sixth Form community to work with the sick and elderly in Lourdes.

Together with Bernadette, we pray to you, Mary, as your children.

May we enter, like her, into the spirit of the Beatitudes.

Then we will be able, here below, to know the joy of the Kingdom of Heaven and sing together with you: Magnificat!

Glory to you, Virgin Mary, blessed servant of the Lord, Mother of God, dwelling place of the Holy Spirit!

Amen.

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