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Ski Trip to the USA

During half term, 14 pupils and 2 staff travelled on the ski trip to New Hampshire, USA. The Beacon Resort Hotel became our home for 6 days whilst we took to the slopes of Canon and Loon to enjoy the beautiful ski trails. Just before our arrival, there had been a fall of fresh snow and temperatures had hit as low as -15 degrees which made for some really good skiing. Both ski areas had lots of trails for the pupils to learn on and by the end of the week most pupils were conquering difficult blue runs, with 2 pupils managing to get down the challenging black diamond run 'Ripsaw'! The instructors were excellent and praised the pupils for their efforts, achievements and friendly personalities. Sadly, however, our skiing did have to come to an end but the holiday didn't end there. New York was awaiting our arrival! With 2 days and a night to spend in New York, what better opportunity to take in the hotspots! We toured through the city taking in views of Manhattan, Central Park, Statue of Liberty, Empire State Building, Times Square, Ground Zero and enjoyed dinner at Planet Hollywood. We also managed to fit in some shopping at Bloomingdales and Macy's. The trip was a huge success and enjoyed by all!















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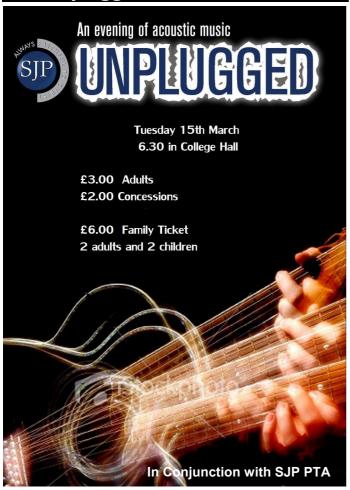








SJP Unplugged



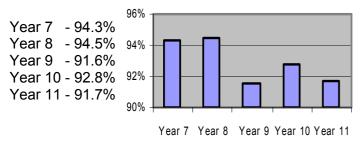
Friday 11th March

Industry Day for Year 9

The aim of this day is to allow our pupils to get an insight into the world of work and guidance on the routes that can be taken into specific areas of employment. Furthermore, the day will also allow our pupils to explore the additional training/courses required to gain entry to their chosen career area.

Attendance

Attendance figures up to 04.03.2011



Football News



Year 10 reached the last 16 of the Wirral Football Cup. They came from 1-0 to beat Ridgeway on penalties with a 5-4 score line. SJP started slowly and found themselves a goal down after a mix up in defence. Cap-

tain Danny Williams re—grouped his players and in the final seconds of the half Jack Caplin was able to score after a mistake from the Ridgeway goalkeeper. Second half, both teams went close, but the game ended 1-1. Goalkeeper Lewis Doyle was the hero saving Ridgeway's fourth penalty pushing SJP through to the last 16. Man of the match was Danny Williams closely followed by Callum Lavelle.

Art Club

A very creative group of Year 7 pupils has been getting up to some fishy business during their lunch times. The Art Club has spent the last few weeks creating fish sculptures to go on display in the Art department. Pupils have shown excellent team work and construction skills which have resulted in some excellent, bright and colourful sculptures. All pupils who took part should be very proud. If you are interested in joining Art Club please see Mrs Stearne in Art 2 during Wednesday lunch times.



Next **PTA** meeting: Tuesday 12th April 2011 7pm in the College Staff Room.

All are welcome!

Accelerated Reader

Accelerated Reader is really taking off in Years 7 and 8 in English. Pupils take quizzes on books they have read and the more questions they answer correctly, the more points they receive. Early next term there will be six prizes and six wonderful trophies to be given out.

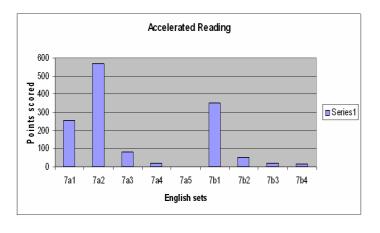
The categories for the prizes are:

- One pupil in each year with the greatest addition to their reading age since we have started the programme;
- One pupil in each year with the highest number of points;
- One form in each year with the highest points total.

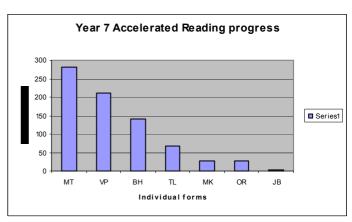
Don't forget there is still time to be considered for an award.

The main point is that you enjoy your reading and if you win a prize and a trophy even better.

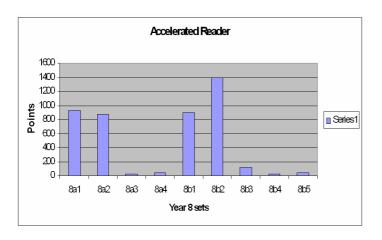
Year 7 English Sets: Progress



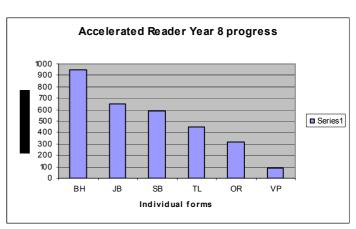
Year 7 Forms: Progress



Year 8 English Sets: Progress



Year 8 Forms: Progress



Keep it up Years 7 and 8 - a brilliant start!

Language Corner

Mardi Gras

Read through these descriptions of French Mardi Gras foods and see if you can answer the questions! First 5 submitted to Mrs Sadler will receive a house point.

Bugnes

Les bugnes sont des beignets typiques de la région Lyonnaise et sont dégustées pour Mardi-Gras. Savourez-les accompagnées de confiture ou de pâte à tartiner au chocolat.



1. Where does this dessert come from?

2. What do you usually eat them with according to the text?

<u>Merveilles</u>

Dans le Sud de la France, des Landes à la Provence, les beignets de carnaval s'appellent des "merveilles". Elles peuvent être découpées à l'emporte-pièce (comme sur la photo) ou taillées en bandes pour être ensuite tressées.



1. Where are these cakes make? 2. What are they called?

Puzzle Corner

Petrol Prices

AA 17

Some petrol stations display prices by sticking segments together to make numbers.



What is the largest number you can make with 10 segments?



What is the largest you can make with 16 segments?

Solution for last week

16. Four Twos Make Ten Two other ways of making 8 are 2×2+2×2 and the less obvious $(\frac{2}{5}+2)!+2$. 22"=65536 may be the largest if we restrict ourselves to powers and the 4 basic operations. 7 is the smallest positive integer that cannot be made without resource to factorials etc. A calculator is useful.

Weekly Theme - Following the Rules



What we are told does not come easily. In the Old Testament times, God expected the Jews to keep the Law. Jesus said, "A new commandment I give you....love one another." Jesus said that if we follow his words we will be building on rock; we will have a firm foundation to our lives if we do God's will.

Matthew 7:21-27

"Not all those who say, 'You are our Lord' will enter the kingdom of heaven. The only people who will enter the kingdom of heaven

are those who do what my Father in heaven wants. On the last day, many people will say to me, 'Lord, Lord, we spoke for you, and through you we forced out demons and did many miracles.' Then I will tell them clearly, 'Get away from me, you who do evil. I never knew you.'

"Everyone who hears my words and obeys them is like a wise man who built his house on rock. It rained hard, the floods came, and the winds blew and hit that house. But it did not fall, because it was built on rock. Everyone who hears my words and does not obey them is like a foolish man who built his house on sand.

It rained hard, the floods came, and the winds blew and hit that house, and it fell with a big crash."

Loving Father, your love never fails. Hear our call. Keep us from danger and provide for all our needs . Amen.



The season of Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, 9th March 2011. For Christians, ashes are a symbol of being sorry for things they have done wrong and want to get rid of forever. It is also a reminder to them that we all come from dust and one day we will return to dust at the end of our lives. For Christians, the marking on the forehead with ash marks the commitment to Jesus and God. We wanted to show God that we are sorry for the wrong things we have done in the past year.

Here in our College community, we will be celebrating Ash Wednesday with a special liturgy for each year group during which staff and pupils will be offered an opportunity to be marked with the sign of the cross on their forehead or the palm of their hand.

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