



## Paris Trip



Shortly before the half term break thirty nine Year 9 and six Year 11 French pupils travelled by coach and ferry to Lésigny near Paris. Everyone was very excited to arrive in France and start practising their French. En route to our accommodation in Lésigny we made a

stop in the historic town of Boulogne during which pupils enjoyed a walk around the local shops and old town.

We arrived at our accommodation 'Chateau de Grande Romaine' where we enjoyed settling in, having an evening meal and participating in the evening activities.

On the next day we spent the morning at the chateau taking part in a variety of outdoor activities. Pupils had the chance to show off their climbing, archery and ab-seiling skills. The afternoon was spent at the Stade de France, the national stadium of France. We had a guided tour around the ground which is used for football and rugby matches as well as athletics events and concerts. Thursday was also extremely busy, first visit-



ing the historic town of Brie de Comte Robert where pupils confidently used their French skills to ask for directions in order to complete a town trail before enjoying the experience of shopping in



a traditional French market. On to Paris where we had a coach tour of the entire city followed by a relaxing cruise down the River Seine. The next stop was the Eiffel

Tower where we took the lifts up to the second floor and enjoyed the amazing view!

On Saturday we spent the entire day at Disneyland in Paris. The trip was a fantastic success where all students were immersed in French culture and had many chances to practise their language skills.

## China 2011



A reminder to all Year 10 and 11 pupils who wish to apply for a place on the China Trip 2011: letters of application to Mr Quinn need to be handed in to Reception by THURSDAY 17th MARCH.

All pupils who apply will be interviewed over the coming weeks.

Any questions or queries, please see Mr Jones.

## RE Month



Celebrating RE is a month long celebration of RE in schools, colleges, universities, faith and belief communities and local communities throughout England and Wales. Its purpose is to celebrate the contribution that high quality RE can make to the education of every child and young person. It also aims to raise public awareness and understanding of the nature of RE as a subject which is relevant, challenging, interesting and of educational value to all, whatever their religious or philosophical background. Here at SJP we would like to contribute and this week we have the following events:



### 15th and 16th March: RE in Film

During lunchtime in RE 2:  
Years 7-9 'Evan Almighty'  
Years 10- 13 'Crash'.

### 17th March: Celebrate St Patrick

During lunchtime RE2:  
Watch the story about St Patrick;  
make St Patrick's Day badges; learn  
some Gaelic and taste some Irish  
food.

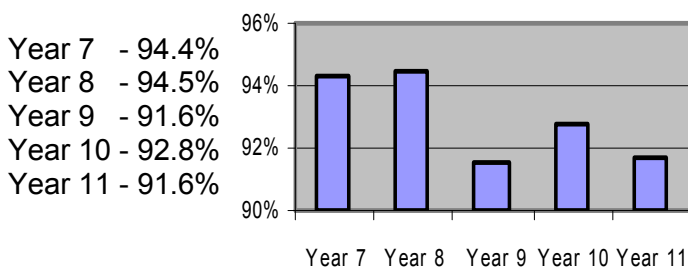


### Creative Creation

Join with the RE team to create a  
colourful banner telling the story of  
creation in RE 6 every lunchtime.

## Attendance

Attendance figures up to **11.03.2011**



## Fair Trade



a warm welcome and a fairtrade cuppa

Over the past 2 weeks, Years 11,12 and 13 have been holding a Traidcraft 'Big Brew' event during their RE lessons, in order to raise money in support of Fairtrade.

Traidcraft, one of the UK's fair trade pioneers, aims to fight poverty through trade by helping people in developing countries transform their lives.

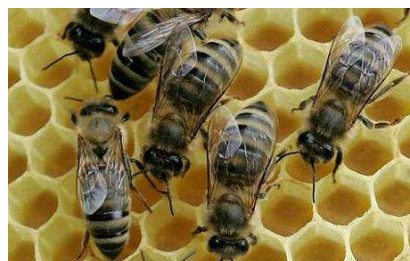
The Big Brew this year focuses on honey. Over a third of us use honey in our everyday life.

Traidcraft provides a market for fair trade honey and by working directly with beekeepers- providing equipment training and guidance- they help them improve the quality and quantity of their honey and the lives of the families and communities.

£25 could provide a hive for bees;

£75 could equip a beekeeper with hives, tools and training.

Thank you so much to all the students who took part and donated money, you have made a difference to someone's life! (and you had a lovely cuppa too)!





## World Book Day



To celebrate World Book Day the SJP English Department held a Year 7 fancy dress competition during Academic Review in the library. The turnout was phenomenal; by the time the judges came to review the costumes, the library was teeming with members of the Sleepover Club, Tinkerbells and Minnie Mouse. We had some fantastic costumes that had clearly taken a lot of time and effort so a big thank you to all of those who came. After much deliberation, the judges finally came to a unanimous decision.



1<sup>st</sup> prize: Ben Baksh impressed us all with his authentic I.D. card and the (thankfully not so authentic) grenade. Well done Lieutenant Ben!

2<sup>nd</sup> prize: Cassie Siddorn proved to us all there is an even more mischievous side to her when she arrived decked out as the one and only Dennis the Menace. We were particularly impressed with the attention to detail- freckles and all!

3<sup>rd</sup> prize: Erin Ashley showed creativity in her Alice in Wonderland outfit, complete with fluffy rabbit prop. Congratulations to the winners!



## Focus on Crocus



This week our College community welcomed members of the Rotary Club to accept a cheque for £500. This was the total amount of money raised by the College community for the Rotary Club's campaign to buy polio vaccinations. Three thousand bulbs were planted in our Peace Garden. The monies raised will mean that 2,500 people can be vaccinated with the polio vaccine. Well done to everyone at SJP.



## Competition

### ART & DT COMPETITION 2011

**Well Done!**

Well done to everyone that entered. We received almost 60 portraits of the Queen to celebrate her 85th birthday!

**LOOK AND LEARN ART**



**Y8 WINNER!**  
Joe Clague, 8JB



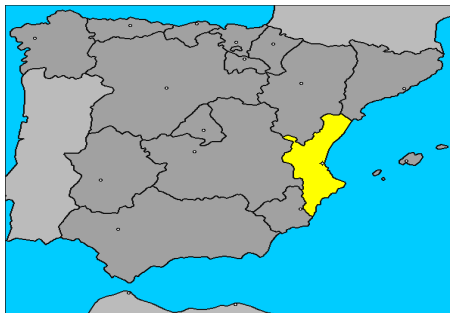
**Y7 WINNER!**  
Megan Ruiter, 7VP



**Y9 WINNER!**  
Hannah Kay, 9TL

## Language Corner

¿Qué es la Comunidad Valenciana?



La Comunidad Valenciana es una región en el este de España. La capital es Valencia. Alicante también forma parte de la Comunidad Valenciana. Hablan el Español y el Valenciano, es similar al catalán. Es famosa por la paella, es muy rica.

Can you correct these statements? Circle the right answer.

1. La Comunidad Valenciana is a city/region.
2. Alicante/Madrid is in La Comunidad Valenciana.
3. The Valenciano language is similar to Spanish/Catalán.
4. It's famous for its chorizo/paella.

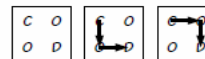
First 5 completed tasks returned to Mr Sweetman gets a house point.

## Puzzle Corner

### A Fishy Tale

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If you write the word **COD** in a grid like this there are two ways of spelling the word.



How many ways can you make **HAKE**?



What about **COLEY** or **SALMON**?



Can you **predict** how many ways there are to make **BARRACUDA**?

**Solution for last week**

17. Petrol Prices

- A good way of showing place value. A more interesting question is to ask how many different numbers can be made with 7 segments.

## Weekly Theme - 'It's a Struggle'



Doing the right thing can be difficult a lot of the time. Everyone is tempted, it's part of being a human being, it's as natural as eating and sleeping. Temptation can make us stronger and better people if

we learn to resist it. Just as exercise develops our bodies, so temptation, if we recognise what it is and resist it, can develop the spiritual side of our personality.

### Matthew 4: 1-11

*Then Jesus was led by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. After fasting forty days and forty nights, he was hungry. The devil came to him and said, "If you are the Son of God, tell these stones to become bread."*

*Jesus answered, "It is written: 'Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.'"*

*Then the devil took him to Jerusalem and made him stand on the highest point of the temple. "If you are the Son of God," he said, "throw yourself down. For it is written: 'He will command his angels concerning you, and they will lift you up in their hands, so that you will not strike your foot against a stone.'"*

*Jesus answered him, "It is also written: 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'"*

*Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendour. "All this I will give you," he said, "if you will bow down and worship me."*

*Jesus said to him, "Away from me, Satan! For it is written: 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve him only.'"*

*Then the devil left him, and angels came and looked after him.*

**Father, your Son resisted the temptations of the devil while fasting for forty days. May we too resist temptation more strongly during the forty days of Lent. Help us with your grace and strength.**

**Amen.**

### Lent

Lent prepares us for Easter, which is the most important feast day for Christians. We believe that Jesus not only rose from the dead but is still with his followers. So we have to take Lent seriously because it helps us to celebrate Easter well and to appreciate the real meaning of the death and resurrection of Jesus.