



### Labour MP Visit

SJP welcomed Stephen Twigg MP, Alison McGovern MP and Cllr Muspratt on Friday 13th July 2012. Mr Twigg is the Labour MP for West Derby and is Shadow Secretary of State for Education. He spent a short time with Mr Quinn before touring the College and having the opportunity to meet pupils. As part of his visit to SJP the College Council were able to put a series of questions to Mr Twigg about the future of education and what the Labour Party's future policy would be.



**End of Summer Term - Thursday 19th July Students will be dismissed at 12pm  
School buses will not be available at this time**

## Blackpool Trip



On the Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2012, thirty pupils taking GCSE Geography visited one of the UK's most popular tourist destinations. The day began with pupils conducting questionnaires and environmental surveys as they walked along the promenade from the iconic Blackpool Tower to the Pleasure Beach Resort.

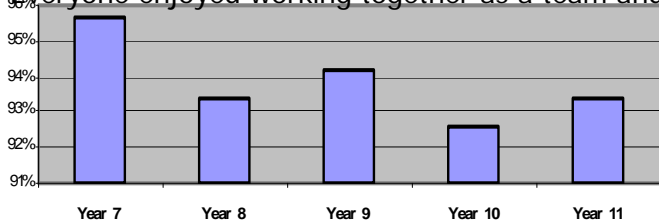
The pupils investigated how the town has changed and looked at the ways in which Blackpool has rejuvenated itself and its image for tourists. After collecting data for their controlled assessment, the pupils then went to experience the major tourist attraction in Blackpool, the Pleasure Beach. The weather stayed dry, the rides were thrilling and fun was had by all.

## Olympics



## Attendance - 05/09/11 - 13/07/12

Everyone enjoyed working together as a team and



Year 7 - 95.7%    Year 8 - 93.4%    Year 9 - 94.2%  
 Year 10 - 92.6%    Year 11 - 93.4%

## Story Telling



Last Tuesday, Story-Tellers from the Multi-Ethnic Achievement Service enthralled our Year 7 with tales from different cultures. This was a celebration of the spoken language to encourage our children to develop their story-telling skills.

Suzie recounted stories told to her by her West African grandmother, gently encouraging the pupils to develop their vocabulary along the way. Anna told short bursts of a story in Spanish; then acted out scenes and our children worked out what the story was saying as they went along.

The students entered the world of the Tuareg, putting on scarves and costume, to listen to Tuyet recounting Arabic tales. Tom, needing no props, engaged the Year 7s with his local legends and riddles.

As always, our children did SJP proud; They listened intently, answered questions intelligently and joined in with the fun. A wonderful afternoon was had by all.

## Coming Up

- Monday 16th July - Wednesday 18th July: Project week 2012
- Thursday 19th July Break up for Summer Holiday at 12pm
- Thursday 16th August - GCE (A2) and GCE (AS) Results day, school will be open to **Year 13** from 9am-11am. School will be open to **Year 12** from 11am-12noon.
- Thursday 23rd August - GCSE results day, School will be open from 10am for **Year 11** students and **Years 7-10** can collect results after 11am
- Wednesday 5th September - **Year 7 & Year 12** return to school
- Thursday 6th September - **All pupils return** to school.

## Street Child Africa



"SJP you are fantastic" Was the response made by Jacqui Hegarty, who is the Education & Community Officer for Street Child Africa, when we told her the news that we had raised £6'480.24 for the charity this year. We had originally pledged to raise £4000.00 for Street Child Africa and the enthusiasm and generosity of our students and staff enabled us to exceed our target.

Jacqui has asked that we pass on the thanks of all the Street Child Africa team to all in our college community for this magnificent contribution.

Jacqui is travelling up from London at the end of September to spend a couple of days in college; she will be talking to the students and the staff about how the monies we have raised is being put to use in changing the lives of many street children in Zambia.

As you know we have made a long term commitment to support Street Child Africa in the coming years, so come the new school year will begin our fundraising all over again and let's hope we can do even better next year.

**An SJP College bag is compulsory for Year 7-10 pupils.**

**There are 4 styles of bag available from Wirral Uniform Centre costing £4-£10. (The bags will be personalised free of charge by Wirral Uniform Centre)**

**Please note for Year 11, pupils must have a suitable bag for College.**

**There are only 4 styles of bag which are permitted : Satchel, Rucksack, Sports-bag, Drawstring.**

**Please note that all pupils will be issued with A4 size exercise books in September and Year 11 school bags must be big enough to carry a day's set of this size books.**

**Handbag / fashion style bags will not be permitted.**

## Literacy Corner

Can you solve the anagram?

Sherlock Holmes  
(answer next year!)

Word of the week:  
exultation

Noun: The act or condition of rejoicing greatly.

E.g. The students left St. John Plessington for their summer holidays filled with great exultation.

Answer from LP6/5:

The Titanic disaster = Death, it starts in ice



## Strawberry Taste Testing



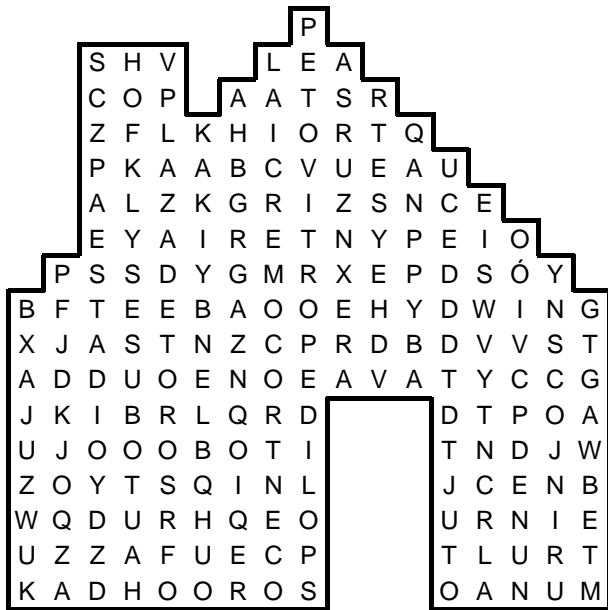
A group of Year 8 pupils who have been crucial in the establishment of the Polytunnel carried out a taste test on the many strawberries that have been produced from the strawberry plants kindly donated by Claremount farm. They had to compare the taste, smell and appearance of SJP strawberries with those bought from a large supermarket.

Overall the strawberries from SJP's polytunnel scored higher than the shop bought ones and were clearly their favourite strawberry to eat. If you have not seen all the produce in the polytunnel, come and have a look soon.



Language Corner

# En el pueblo



In the puzzle above there are over ten words to do with places in town. How many can you find? Write them down when you find them. The first five correct responses to Miss Kingsland in LA2 will receive a house point!

Maths Corner

1. In my marble collection I have 76 large marbles and 188 small ones. If I take away all but twelve, how many have I got left?
2. A farmer, describing his animals said "they are all cows but two, all horses but two, all sheep but two." How many animals does he have?



Solution for last week

<b>NGTV</b>	NEGATIVE	<b>DRCTN</b>	DIRECTION
<b>CNTR</b>	CENTRE	<b>VL</b>	VALUE
<b>PNTGN</b>	PENTAGON	<b>TRNGL</b>	TRIANGLE
<b>MN</b>	MEAN	<b>PRTCTR</b>	PROTRACTOR
<b>KT</b>	KITE	<b>WDTH</b>	WIDTH

## Weekly Theme - 'Dependence'

Computer games and television addicts are only two groups of people who have an addiction; many people cannot get through the day without placing a bet, smoking and sadly drinking or taking drugs. They have lost their freedom because they are dependent on something outside themselves. God wants us to be dependent upon him, which after all is very reasonable because as Christians we believe that he made each one of us. Dependence on God can bring true happiness, because he respects our freedom.

**Mark 6:7-13**

Calling the Twelve to him, he began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over impure spirits. These were his instructions: "Take nothing for the journey except a staff - no bread, no bag, no money in your belts. Wear sandals but not an extra shirt. Whenever you enter a house, stay there until you leave that town. And if any place will not welcome you or listen to you, leave that place and shake the dust off your feet as a testimony against them." They went out and preached that people should repent.

They drove out many demons and anointed many sick people with oil and healed them.

**Creator God, you made us and we belong to you. May we not place our trust in things, but realise that we depend upon you for everything and will find true happiness in doing your will.**

**Amen**

"We expect too much of God, but he always seems ready."  
(John F. Kennedy)

