



St John Plessington

Catholic College

a Specialist Science, Technology and Humanities College

# Newsletter

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## Invitation

**Aspire  
not to  
have more  
but to be  
more...**

Archbishop Romero

## OPEN MORNING

16th May 2012 at (9.00am—12.00pm)

*'this is an outstanding school in which exceptional things happen'* OFSTED

## OPEN EVENING

24th May 2012 at (6.00pm - 9.00pm) Head Teacher's talks at 6.00pm, 6.45pm and 7.30pm

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## Rugby Cup Winners



The Year 7 Rugby team Won the Wirral Rugby Cup at Caldy Rugby Club on Tuesday night against Bebington High Sports College.

SJP were going into the game having won every game this season. They finished top of the rugby central venue league having only conceded one try in the whole competition. The Year 7 team had a bye straight to the 'quarters' where they met Mosslands; SJP won the game convincingly although they did concede a couple of tries. They beat St. Mary's 28:0 in the semi final.

Bebington went into the game confident thinking they were going to win, but this was knocked out of them as from the kick off captain Joe Owens scored under the posts, crashing through Bebington players on his way. From the restart the ball was again kicked to Joe who scored immediately. Every time Bebington were in possession they were tackled ferociously by the SJP players and the ball taken from them. Callum Robinson led the way defensively not letting anyone past him. Half Time: 33:0; Trys from Robinson, Owen (3), Adidiran.

Squad: Owens (C), McClean, Coles, Elmslie, Holt, Edwards, Robinson, Christian, Don, McGregor, Simms, Adidiran, Jackson-Twist, Harrison, Gilronan, Magaysia. Garnet, Zak.

An outstanding finish to an exceptional season. Well done Year 7 well deserved.

## Cross Country

On Wednesday night the first Wirral Athletics Championships took place at Bebington Oval. After a number of weeks preparation SJP athletes attended the event and took part in a number of events. SJP came home with silver medals from Favour Adediran in the high jump, Kiah Longstaff in 100m, Joe Martindale in the 1500m Ellen O'Connell and Jake Batty in the discus. A special mention should be given to Joe Saunders who showed dedication and commitment for completing the race after being tripped in the opening 20m of the 800m race. A successful first meet for SJP in a busy athletics season.

Well done all students who took part.



## Savio House



Last week thirty students from Year 9 travelled to Savio House in Macclesfield for their experience.

While at Savio House students were able to spend time together reflecting about the important things in their life and in their futures. There was also a lot of time spent having fun, playing games together and exploring the beautiful countryside situated around Savio House. Below are some of the comments made by our students about their time together.

*"I had a fantastic time and have made new friends."*

*"It was good to be able to have some time to think about the things that are important in my life."*

*"It was great that we had time to play games together."*

*"There was so much to do the time went too quickly."*

On the way home we asked the students if they would go on another SJP Experience in Yr 10? "Definitely" was the reply, "Only next time can we make it for a week, not just three days!"



## Olympics



SHANAZE READE

Fearless and determined, Shanaze Reade is a BMX racer who is already in training for the London 2012 Games, she is only 24!

**Sport:** BMX racing

**Home town:** Crewe

**Date of birth:** 23 September 1988

**Sporting heroes:** Dame Kelly Holmes and Daley Thompson

**Sporting career:**

Shanaze is an Olympian, having competed at the Beijing 2008 Olympic Games. She has won the UCI BMX World Championships three times and has been a world junior champion twice on the BMX. Shanaze isn't just World Champion on the BMX, she also competes in the team sprint alongside Victoria Pendleton – they became World Champions in this event in 2007 and 2008.

BMX is a sport that you could get involved in, find out more at [www.london2012.com](http://www.london2012.com)



## Primary Football Tournament

Thank you to pupils from St Anne's, St Andrew's and Stanton Road who participated in a fantastic 5-a-side football tournament last night. Spirits were high and pupils worked hard within their teams to create lots of excellent goal scoring opportunities. Matches were close and there were some outstanding displays of skill and talent.

Congratulations to St Andrews who secured 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> places within the tournament. Well done to all pupils involved.

Next primary festival – Yr5/6 Rounders Tournament Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> May

## Maths News

**MyMaths.co.uk**

**CHAMPIONSHIPS**



6<sup>th</sup> May – 9<sup>th</sup> June 2012

The MyMaths Championships are now live!

We are looking for the highest MyMaths users between the 6<sup>th</sup> May – 9<sup>th</sup> June.

There are **prizes** to be won! All you need to do, to be in with a chance to win, is log on to your own individual MyMaths account and complete as much of the online tasks and booster packs as you can **before** the deadline.

All your hard work will **prepare** you for the forthcoming exams so log on and be **rewarded** for your revision!

You got to be in it to win it!

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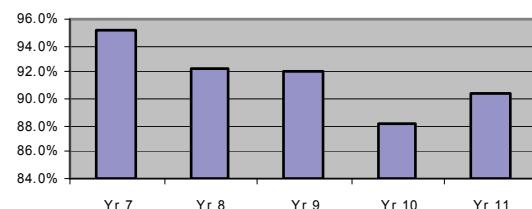
The **COUNTDOWN** is on!

### Next PTA meeting:

7pm Tuesday 19th June 2012  
in the College Staff Room.

All are welcome.

## Attendance - 30/04/12 - 04/05/12

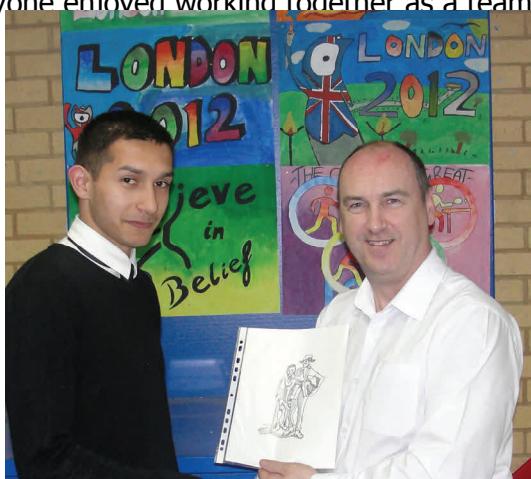


Year 7 - 95.2% Year 8 - 92.3% Year 9 - 92.0%

Year 10 - 88.1% Year 11 - 90.5%

## Art News

Everyone enjoyed working together as a team and



The Art department was recently invited to commission a student to design an image to be incorporated onto a WW2 War Memorial. The drawing is to be engraved onto a plaque to be added to the present memorial situated in Hamilton Square Birkenhead, and commemorates the war in the Far East with Japan.

Year 13 student Peter Murza successfully completed the task as part of his A2 Level Fine Art coursework, and is seen here presenting one of his designs to Wirral's Architectural Technician Peter Jackson Lee. Peter is to be invited to attend the formal unveiling of the enhanced memorial in due course.

## Literacy Corner



Can you solve the anagram?

Astronomer (answer next week!)

Answer from last week: The eyes = they see

Word of the week:

Hyperbole – this is a figure of speech in which exaggeration is used for emphasis or effect; an extravagant statement.

Example:

My house is a million miles from here.  
I've told you a million times not to exaggerate.

## Additional Sessions - 3.30pm start

	MFL	Geography	PE	RE	English	Maths
<b>Monday</b>				Homework Catch up club, All Years		
<b>Tuesday</b>	Y10 French Y13 Spanish					Year 10 Year 11
<b>Wednesday</b>	Y9 set 1, Y10 & Y11 Spanish	Y10, until 14 <sup>th</sup> June				Year 9 set 2 Year 10 Year 11 Year 12
<b>Thursday</b>	Y12 French				Controlled As- sessment catch -up session, Y9, Y10 & Y11	Year 9 set 1 Year 10 Year 11 Year 13
<b>Friday</b>			BTEC Course- work Session			

## Language Corner

The following menu has been scrambled – can you see if you can crack the code to work out what the different items are?

### La Carta

ଫର୍ମିଟ୍ ପାଇସ୍ ଡାଲ୍ଟା କାର୍ବୋଲିକ୍	€5.60
କାର୍ବୋଲିକ୍ ପାଇସ୍ ଡାଲ୍ଟା	€4.20
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କାର୍ବୋଲିକ୍ ପାଇସ୍ ଡାଲ୍ଟା	€1.00

Hint: a = a e=e i=i o=o u=u

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.

The first five correct answers to the puzzle will receive a house point from Mr Joglekar in MFL5.

## Weekly Theme - 'God Given Gifts'



### **John 15:1-8**

*"I am the true vine, and my Father is the gardener. He cuts off every branch in me that bears no fruit, while every branch that does bear fruit he prunes so that it will be even more fruitful. You are already clean because of*

*the word I have spoken to you. Remain in me, as I also remain in you. No branch can bear fruit by itself; it must remain in the vine. Neither can you bear fruit unless you remain in me."*

*"I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing. If you do not remain in me, you are like a branch that is thrown away and withers; such branches are picked up, thrown into the fire and burned. If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. This is to my Father's glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples."*

As Christians we believe that everything we have comes

## Maths Corner

How much earth is there in a freshly dug hole that is 2m deep, 3m wide and 5m long?



### Solution for last week

The missing number is 5!

Add the bottom 2 numbers and divide by the top number.

from God; life itself, our qualities, gifts and talents. We always need to be grateful for all that we have received. We need to appreciate that we can grow best and develop – produce fruit – by using our gifts and talents to help other people. Happiness for ourselves is not found except through seeking justice and happiness for others.

This is the reason why our college charity "Street Child Africa" is so important to us. By using our gifts and skills we can make life better for our brothers and sisters in Africa.

Please don't forget to keep working hard to raise money in your Year groups.

**God our Father, look upon us with love.  
Your Son Jesus has shown us his love and asks  
us to stay close to him, by using our gifts and  
talents for the benefit of others; so that we may  
all come close to you in love.**

**Amen**