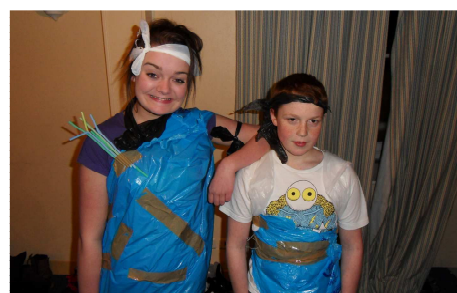
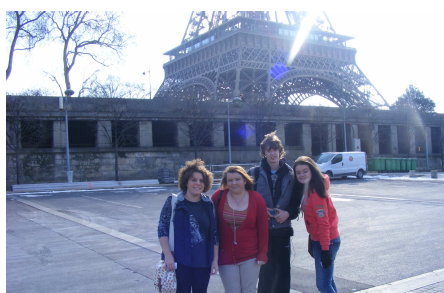




## Paris Trip

Shortly before the half term break 36 Year 8 and 11 Year 11 French pupils travelled by coach and ferry to Lésigny near Paris. Everyone was very excited to be in France. We arrived at our accommodation 'Chateau de Grande Romaine' we enjoyed an evening meal together and joined in with the evening activities. On the next day we spent the morning at the chateau taking part in a number of outdoor activities including trapeze and archery. The afternoon was spent at the Louvre. We enjoyed looking at all of the amazing works of art and got to see the Mona Lisa close up! In the evening pupils learnt how to make crepés and practice their French language skills whilst doing so. Thursday was also extremely busy, we visited 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 a shopping expedition in a traditional French market. Onto Paris where we had a coach tour of the entire city followed by a relaxing cruise down the River Seine. Our 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 Paris. The trip was an opportunity for all the students to be immersed in French culture and practise their language skills in different situations.



## KS4 Curriculum Information Evening

All Year 9 pupils and their parent/carers are invited to the KS4 Curriculum Information Evening on Wednesday 29th February 2012. Pupils in forms JB,MT,TL and VP should arrive for 6.30pm. Pupils in forms MK,OR,SB and BH should arrive for 7.15pm. This is an important evening when all Year 9 Pupils will have the opportunity to find out about the subjects available for study in Years 10 and 11 at GCSE Level. The Evening will allow pupils the opportunity to make informed choices regarding this significant stage in their education.

We Look forward to meeting you on the evening.



## DT



During the week before half term, staff and pupils at in Art and Design Technology rallied to help St John's Infant School with their Olympic Sports Day Project. 35 Infants aged between 4 and 7 came to SJP to paint Olympic flags representing the countries they were studying. Mr Regan drew out the basic flag designs on fabric measuring over 1m in length and the pupils painted each flag with the help of some of our 6<sup>th</sup> formers; Charlotte Obermuler, Melody Hunt, Amy Duffy, Jonathan Wilkinson and Peter Murzsa.

Mr Muskett, Deputy Head at St John's, praised the organisation and efforts of both staff and pupils. We will be continuing to help St John's with their Olympic Project over the next few months and look forward to working with them again!



## SJP Unplugged

An evening of acoustic music

**UNPLUGGED**

Tuesday 28th February  
6:30pm  
in the College Hall

£3 adults £2 concessions

Refreshments provided  
by SJP PTA

**SJP PTA**

Tickets are now on sale for the forthcoming SJP Unplugged night on 28th February. This evening is an acoustic themed open-mic night featuring some of the finest performers we have at SJP. The music performed will be in a huge range of styles, from Simon and Garfunkel to Johnny Cash through to Christina Perri. Tickets are on sale now from reception and the whole event is supported by our fabulous PTA who will be providing refreshments on the night.

## Coming Up

- 28th February - SJP Unplugged.
- 29th February - KS4 Curriculum Information Evening.
- 5th March - 9th March Ingestre Trip.
- 10th & 11th March World Challenge training Expedition

## Netball News

Well done to the years 8 & 9 Netball Teams who both beat Prenton High School this week in a home fixture. The year 9 team pulled together to win 10-5, scoring 5 goals in the last 7 minutes. The year 8's also won with an impressive score line of 12-3. All girls played very well including the year 7 girls who filled in for the year 8 squad. Well done girls!

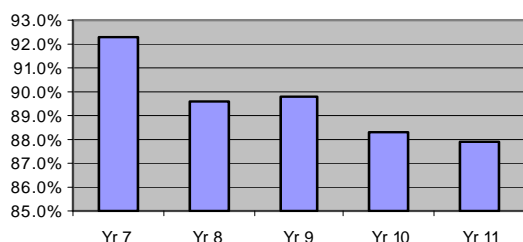


Year 9 Team: Rose Clarke, Jenny Davies, Becky Hart, Roseanne Collins, Hannah O'Neal, Ellie Baxter, Kirsten Whitehead, Jess Murphy

Year 8 Team: Hannan Ajay, Katie Murray, Jasmine Bryson, Isabelle Storer, Daisy Senior, Natalie Maxwell, Kiah Longstaff, Olivia Eastland

**Next PTA meeting:**  
7pm Tuesday 6th March 2012  
in the College Staff Room.  
All are welcome.

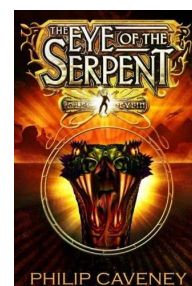
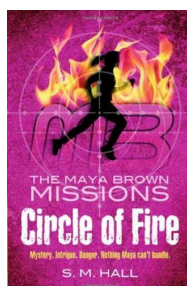
## Attendance - 06/02/12 - 10/02/12



Year 7 - 92.3%    Year 8 - 89.6%    Year 9 - 89.8%  
Year 10 - 88.3%    Year 11 - 87.9%

## Library News

### Visit from Authors, Philip Caveney and S M Hall



As part of our World Book Day celebrations we are delighted to welcome children's authors, **Philip Caveney** and **S M Hall** to our college on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2012. Both writers will be providing a fascinating insight into their lives as writers and talking about their favourite books.

Philip has been writing stories for children since 2007 and his books have been translated into several languages and read by children around the world. For more information about Philip Caveney visit his official website

<http://www.philip-caveney.co.uk/>

Local author, S M Hall has written books for children for a number of years. Her series of action adventure books for girls '**Maya Brown Mysteries**' are extremely popular. '**Breaking the Circle**' is her latest book in this fast paced series. <http://www.mayabrownmissions.co.uk/home> has lots more information about her books.

**If any pupils in Year 7 or 8 would like to attend the event please see Mrs Broom in the library.**

R.E homework 'Catch Up Club' is held every Tuesday in RE6 for one hour. Come along to get some support from your teachers as well as additional materials to help you to achieve.  
Club starts 28/02/12 and will be on-going this term.



## Language Corner



'Mardi Gras' est une période festive et une tradition chrétienne. Le jour qui précède le mardi gras s'appelle le 'Mercredi des Cendres'. La fête de mardi gras a tous les ans une date différente mais cette année c'est le 21 février. Pendant le mardi gras, on mange les aliments gras avant de se mettre au carême. Il y a quarante jours de carême, entre le mercredi des cendres et le jour de Pâques.

Read the text and see if you can answer these questions:

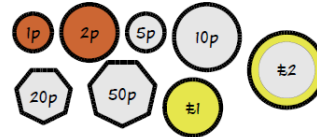
- 1) What do the words 'Mardi Gras' mean?
- 2) When will Mardi Gras be celebrated this year?
- 3) What is the day after Mardi Gras called?
- 4) What happens during Mardi Gras?

The first five correct answers to Miss Kingsland in LA2 will receive a house point.

## Maths Corner

Coin of the Realm ☆ 23

These are the coins commonly used in Britain today



What is the **fewest** number of coins you need to make  
(a) 83p (b) £1.34 (c) £5.27?

What is the **smallest** amount that needs **more than 5** coins?

Seven crossings are needed:

1. The farmer first takes the turkey across the river.
2. He returns, with the boat empty.
3. He carries the wheat across to the other bank.
4. He takes the turkey back with him.
5. He brings over the fox.
6. He re-crosses the river, with the boat empty.
7. He returns with the turkey again.

## Weekly Theme - 'A Time to Change'



All of the world religions have times for going without, doing penance. Muslims have the month of Ramadan (they cannot eat or drink during daylight hours) The Jewish people have the twenty four hour fast of Yom Kippur. As Christians we follow the example of Jesus and "go without" for forty days, the period of time that Jesus is traditionally believed to have been apart from other people in the wilderness preparing for his teaching. Lent is a time when we can look at the way in which we live and perhaps realise that we are not perfect and need to make some changes to our lifestyle

**Father your Son resisted the temptation of the devil, while fasting for Forty days.**  
**Help us to resist the temptations in our life more strongly during the forty days of Lent.**  
**Give us your grace and your strength to help us.**  
**Amen**



**It is 5am and Esther hasn't slept. She has been up queuing for water.**



Three nights a week, Esther lies awake, listening for the splash of water on concrete. This is her cue to run from her bed and get in line. She won't be alone. Esther will queue for hours – in the moonlight – to collect water before the village tap runs dry. "I can't catch up on the sleep I miss" she says. "I'll be so tired but I have no choice..."

Whenever there is water I have to go and draw it as we don't know when there will be another drop." The Zambian government cannot afford to continually pump water to Esther's village. So when the tap stops flowing, she has to draw dirty water from the river – which Esther knows could make her family sick. Her children have had dysentery and Riccy, her husband, nearly died from cholera.

**Doesn't this injustice make you thirsty for change?**

Our faith calls us to act – to let justice flow like a river. Every 20 seconds, a child dies because of dirty water or unsafe sanitation. Women and girls in the poorest countries spend up to eight hours each day walking to collect water. This robs them of their chance to earn a living, go to school or simply spend time together as a family.

During Lent here in our college community we will be reflecting praying and talking about the wonderful gift of water that we too many times also easily waste.

We will also be collecting to help CAFOD in their Water Aid Programme.