St John Plessington

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Newsletter

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URENCO Make it Competition

On Thursday 10th of November, eight pupils from Year 9 were thrown from SJP into the world of manufacturing. They left behind their classrooms in Bebington and became a manufacturing company with the important task of designing, making and marketing a vehicle that will transport a dangerous load from the North West down to the South Coast of England. The eight students took on a range of job roles. These included Managing Director, Health and Safety Executive, Design Engineer, Manufacturing Engineer and Marketing Manager.

Each role had its own responsibilities and tasks to be carried out. There were budgets to work within, meetings to organise and deadlines to be kept. Pupils were monitored throughout the day by "Dragons" (of the den variety). They were interviewed about different aspects of their business plans. They even had a working lunch. The final part of the activity was to present a 2 minute pitch of their ideas to a panel of Dragons. The SJP presentation was excellent; well planned and timed to within a second of the whistle blowing which ended their 2 minutes. They then had to field questions from the Dragons about their plans. It was a competition against 11 other schools from the Northwest and although our team did not win, they gave a very good account of themselves and I was proud to be there with them. The day was organised to promote the Manufacturing Sector as a career choice for young people to aspire to work in. It showed them that there are a whole variety of different jobs within the Manufacturing Sector. They also learned about the importance of teamwork within the working environment.

What the students thought of the day:

"I had a brilliant day. I think our team worked really well together and to the best of our ability. I am glad they trusted me to be their team leader." Jade Cookson

" It was fun and enjoyable and I now know a lot more about manufacturing." Hannah O'Neil







Review Day Friday 25 November 2011–Year 7 & 10 Pupils and Students in Yr 8, 9, 11 & Sixth Form will be expected to study at home. Yr 9 & 11 can continue their GCSE studies, Sixth Form their A Level studies and Yr 8 can access work through the VLE.



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Year 8 raises £900 for charity



Last year as part of our St John Plessington Day celebrations, the current Year 8 took part in a group dance to the Cha-Cha-Slide which you may have seen on SJP Live and the website. We all had lots of fun and raised a HUGE £900 in sponsorship money. Well done Year 8!!!

Everyone enjoyed working together as a team and having a laugh at the teachers trying to join in! The Year 8 council decided to share this between 3 charities, Amy and Friends, The Cystic Fibrosis Trust and Downs Syndrome @ Wirral.



We were lucky enough to meet representatives from each charity on Friday and hand them our cheques. We were especially delighted to meet Amy from *Amy and Friends* and learn more about the work the charity does to support children and their families who suffer from Cockayne Syndrome.

Non-Uniform Day Thursday 24 November 2011

Pupils in non-uniform to bring £1 to hand in to Form Tuturs No jewellery, sensible clothing please.

Year 7 Rugby

The Year 7 Rugby team are top of the league after three games, winning the first night of three central venue fixtures. On a cold night in New Brighton the Year 7 rugby team charged their way through the opposition and were victorious 7-0, 21-7 and 28-0 against The Birkenhead University Academy, Woodchurch and Oldershaw respectively. *Man of the Match* was Adam Don showing excellent precision and accuracy.

Next PTA meeting:

7pm Tuesday 22nd November 2011 in the College Staff Room. All are welcome.

Netball



A busy week for netball this week with matches being played against Bebington High, Pensby and South Wirral. Well done to all of the girls that have been part of the squads, an excellent display of team work and talent on court.



Faulty Rucksack Alert!

If any pupil has an SJP rucksack with a faulty zip, which they bought from the Wirral Uniform Shop, if you take it back they will exchange it for a new one.

Memorial Service



On Thursday 10 November 2011, SJP held a memorial service in the chapel to commemorate the efforts of Cyril Bammberger ('Bam').

As an ex-pupil from the 1930s, Bam went onto pilot Spitfires in the Battle of Britain during the Second World War. A plaque has been donated to the school in memory of Bam and was unveiled by his wife, Heather, and her sons Mark and Nicholas.

Visitors to the service included pupils from SJP, ex-service men, members of the Royal Air Force and WW2 veterans that flew alongside Bam in the Battle of Britain.





Christmas Clearout

As you are aware our fabulous *Here Comes Christmas!* Fair is rapidly approaching, the big event is on Friday 2nd December. If you have any unwanted bric a brac, books, CDs, DVDs, pictures, toys and games, please send these into school where they will be converted into cash and become somebody else's treasure.

HCC is the biggest and brightest school fair in the North West of England, where £10,000 cash or a brand new car could be won, a fabulous mountain bike, amazing stalls, and of course, meet Father Christmas in his super grotto. All of the money raised supports the children of our school and our chosen charity Street Child Africa.

Attendance - 11.11.11



Year 7 - 95.0% Year 8 - 93.2% Year 9 - 93.7% Year 10 - 90.8% Year 11- 93.0%

Language Corner

Clause monet

Claude Monet est un artiste qui est né à Paris le 14 novembre 1840.

Il habitait à Paris jusqu'à 1870 quand il est allé en Angleterre pendant la guerre. Il a commencé le mouvement impressionniste en 1862. Un de ses peintures s'appelle `*Impression soleil avant'*.

Can you answer the questions about the famous painter? On which date was he born in 1840? He moved from Paris in 1870 - Where did he move to? What was the artistic movement he started called?

Can you name one of his famous paintings?



First five correct answers to Miss Kingsland (LA2) will receive a house point.

Weekly Theme - 'Using Your Talents'



In our college community we have pupils who are excellent musicians, we have good athletes, we have fluent linguists. Some are good at making us laugh and are able to cheer us up, while others are reliable and generous in offering their help. A

community like ours at SJP needs all character styles. We all have a part to play and talents to use for the good of all. God has given us talents to use, first for the good of others and then for ourselves.

Matthew 25:14-29

"Again, it will be like a man going on a journey, who called his servants and entrusted his wealth to them. To one he gave five bags of gold, to another two bags, and to another one bag, each according to his ability. Then he went on his journey. The man who had received five bags of gold went at once and put his money to work and gained five bags more. So also, the one with two bags of gold gained two more. But the man who had received one bag went off, dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. After a long time the master of those servants returned and settled accounts with them. The man who had received five bags of gold brought the other five. "Master," he said, "you entrusted me with five bags of gold. See, I have gained five more." His master replied, "Well done, good and

Puzzle Corner

Fruitful 3333 27 There are three boxes. One box contains pears, one contains oranges, and one



The labels have fallen off and all have been stuck back on the <u>wrong</u> boxes.

Barry opens one box and without looking in the box takes out one piece of fruit. He looks at the fruit and immediately puts the labels on the the right boxes.

How did he do it?

Solution from last week

No– It is not certain. Suppose there were 10 people in ketterby. You could have. 20% is the maximum possible percentage of people who drink non of the beverages.

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faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master's happiness!" The man with two bags of gold also came. "Master," he said, "you entrusted me with two bags of gold; see, I have gained two more." His master replied, "Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master's happiness!" Then the man who had received one bag of gold came. "Master," he said, "I knew that you are a hard man, harvesting where you have not sown and gathering where you have not scattered seed. So I was afraid and went out and hid your gold in the ground. See, here is what belongs to you." His master replied, "You wicked, lazy servant! So you knew that I harvest where I have not sown and gather where I have not scattered seed? Well then, you should have put my money on deposit with the bankers, so that when I returned I would have received it back with interest." So the master took the bag of gold from him and give it to the man who has ten bags. For whoever has will be given more, and they will have an abundance. Whoever does not have, even what they have will be taken from them.

Almighty Father, protect us in the burdens and challenges of life. Help us to become more aware of your loving plan, that we may more willingly share our gifts and talents to build our community and support one another. Amen

