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Catholic College**  
a Specialist Science, Technology and Humanities College

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## European Day of Languages



**El Día Europea de Idiomas– el lunes 26 de septiembre  
Le Jour Européen des Langues- lundi 26 septembre  
European Day of Languages- Monday 26<sup>th</sup> September**



El lunes 26 de septiembre celebramos el Día Europeo de Idiomas con millones de personas por toda Europa. El día europeo de idiomas fue creado por el Consejo Europeo para celebrar y promover el aprendizaje de idiomas. Aquí en SJP hicimos una variedad de actividades para los alumnos de todos los años.

Lundi, 26 septembre nous avons célébré le Jour Européen des Langues avec des millions de gens partout l'Europe. Le jour européen des langues était crée par le Conseil de l'Europe pour célébrer et promouvoir l'érudition des langues. Ici à SJP on a fait une variété d'activités pour engager les élèves de toutes les années scolaires.

On Monday 26<sup>th</sup> September SJP joined millions of people around Europe in celebrating European Day of Languages; a day created by the Council of Europe to celebrate and promote language learning. Here at SJP we had a variety of activities for people of all Year Groups to take part in.

In the College Dining Room the kitchen staff had prepared a European Menu which included Beef Bourguignon, Spanish Omelette and Pork Kebabs for all to enjoy. As well as the food prepared by the kitchen staff, Years 7 and 8 had the chance to taste different foods from around Europe: Spanish Chorizo, French Cheeses, Italian Ham, Octopus and even Squid in Ink! Some of Year 7 enjoyed the sunshine and played French Boules at break time. Others took part in a language focused Treasure Hunt around the College - well done to the winners: Stephanie Truman 7MK and Ashley McConnell 7BH. Thank you and well done to all the students who took part in our activities!

## Feedback from Open Evening

***"Our first and only choice" (Devonshire Park)  
"I want nothing but the best for my child and they will get it here"***

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## Bag Packing at Sainsbury's



On Saturday 24th and Sunday 25th September, our Peru Challengers woke up bright and early and went to Sainsbury's in Upton to spend the day offering to pack bags for the customers in return for a small donation. In order to say 'thank you' to Sainsbury's for letting us come in and bag pack three times, all the money raised on Sunday was donated to Wirral Blind, which is the local charity Sainsbury's are sponsoring this year.

Once again, Sainsbury's staff were full of compliments for our students, saying how polite they were and how hard they worked.

The long hours spent on our feet were well worth it when we found that we had raised a massive £1065 towards the challengers' expedition fees. We have some more dates in the diary for more fund raising— including a sponsored abseil and some more bag packing. Thanks to everyone who helped out and thank you for your support so far.



Next **PTA** meeting:

7pm Tuesday 4th October 2011  
in the College Staff Room.

All are welcome.

## Yr 11 Visit to Oxford University



On Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> September, ten Year 11 pupils were accompanied to Oxford University to participate in a taster day organised by the university.

The aim of the day was to give the pupils a deeper understanding of the value of studying at one of the country's most prestigious universities. Pupils chose to attend workshops in their chosen course of study, including Life Sciences, Humanities, Physical Sciences and Social Sciences, which were led by current academics at Oxford. They were also presented with information on university life in general, student finance and the variety of degree courses on offer at Oxford University.

With stiff competition to achieve a place, our pupils are now aware that the first step to success is an extremely good set of GCSE results, followed by carefully selected A Levels.

This was an excellent opportunity and a great day was had by all, particularly on the tour of the different colleges, which left our pupils in awe of the surroundings and facilities the university has to offer.



## Victory at the Local Derby

Year 8 gained their first win of the season last week against Bebington High School with a closely fought battle. In a match of many changes it was Bebington High who took charge, scoring 3 goals in the first half. St John Plessington pushed and nearly squeezed a goal in the final minutes of the first half, with Kieran Cartwright getting close in the second half SJP took full control and with goals from Callum Moore, Leon Detlaff and Kieran Cartwright saw SJP just pip Bebington to victory with a 4-3 win. A fantastic effort and performance from both teams. Man of the match was awarded to Regan Pearce. Well done boys!

## Year 7 - A Winning Team

Year 7 won their 3rd football game of the year, making it 3 out of 3. They cruised past the Bebington High defence 6 times to a fantastic 6-2 win. The team continues to improve showing signs of a cup winning worthy side. Only time will tell! Man of the Match was John Adediran with great performances also from Sean Holt, Michael Williams and Reece Edwards. Well done!

## Cafod

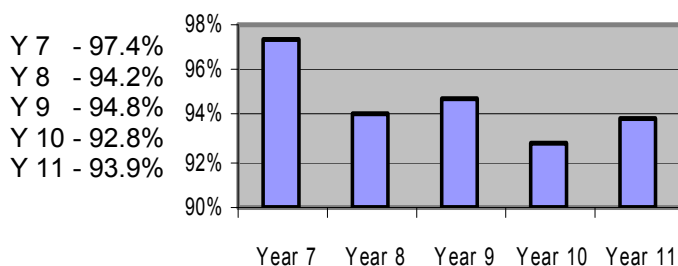


On Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October we will be celebrating CAFOD Harvest Fast Day. Students and members of Staff are being asked to exchange a tin of food for their lunch of soup and a roll.

The theme for the day is "a Tinny for your Dinny".

## Attendance

Attendance figures up to **30.09.2011**



## University Open Days

| University                | Date/Time                              | Departments  |
|---------------------------|--|--|
| Lancaster University      | 5 <sup>th</sup> October<br>1pm-3pm     | Departments open prior to appointment  |
| Edge Hill University      | 8 <sup>th</sup> October<br>10am-3pm    | All  |
| Liverpool Hope University | 8 <sup>th</sup> October<br>10am-4pm    | All  |
| Reaseheath College        | 8 <sup>th</sup> October<br>10am-2pm    | All  |
| University of Leeds       | 8 <sup>th</sup> October<br>9am-4pm     | All  |
| University of Manchester  | 8 <sup>th</sup> October<br>10am-4pm    | Visit <a href="http://www.manchester.ac.uk/undergraduate/opendays">www.manchester.ac.uk/undergraduate/opendays</a> for list of departments |
| Lancaster University      | 12 <sup>th</sup> October<br>1pm-3pm    | Departments open prior to appointment  |
| University of St Andrews  | 19 <sup>th</sup> October<br>9.30am-4pm | All  |

## Operation Christmas Child



Yes I know it's not Christmas yet, but between now and the 7<sup>th</sup>

November, students and members of staff will be packing shoe boxes for the 'Operation Christmas Child Appeal 2011.' If you would like to pack one, two or

even more boxes then you will find a power point on the College web site under "Spirituality – Weekly Theme," which will tell you how to pack the box and what you can and can't include.

Filled boxes may be left at College Reception between now and Monday 7<sup>th</sup> November.

Operation Christmas Child are asking, where possible, for a donation of £2.50 to be made to help with the transportation cost of the box to its destination. This payment can be made via the Operation Christmas Child web site which can be found at:

**[www.operationchristmaschild.org.uk](http://www.operationchristmaschild.org.uk)**

## Coming Up

- Thursday 6th October : Sixth Form Parents Evening
- Tuesday 4th October, 7pm : PTA Meeting
- Friday 7th October : CAFOD Harvest Fast Day
- Thursday 13th October : Music Festival
- Thursday 20th October : Awards Evening

## Language Corner

In celebration of European Day of Languages, we have written out the word 'Newsletter' in 6 different European languages. Can you work out which word belongs to which language, from the list below in the table?

First 5 correct answers to Mr Joglekar in MFL5 will receive a house point

| Word for 'Newsletter'   | Which language? |
|-------------------------|-----------------|
| <i>Bulletin</i>         |                 |
| <i>Hoja informativa</i> |                 |
| <i>Notiziario</i>       |                 |
| <i>nuachtlitir</i>      |                 |
| <i>Mitteilungsblatt</i> |                 |
| <i>εγκύκλιος</i>        |                 |

### Possible answers:

Italian, Irish, French, German, Spanish, Greek

## Puzzle Corner

### Find The Path

☆ 1

Start at the bottom left square and move up, down, left or right until you reach the finish.

|       |   |   |   |   |   |        |
|-------|---|---|---|---|---|--------|
|       | 4 | 9 | 7 | 7 | 4 | Finish |
|       | 8 | 9 | 4 | 5 | 7 |        |
|       | 6 | 6 | 4 | 9 | 9 |        |
|       | 7 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 6 |        |
| Start | 5 | 5 | 6 | 5 | 5 |        |

Add the numbers as you go.  
Can you make exactly 53?

### 3. How Many Triangles?

$$12 + 6 + 2 = 20$$



## Weekly Theme - 'Don't Worry'



Mr. Worry

So many people these days are filled with anxiety, about their health or their weight, their work, the economy, their relationships and so on. St Paul tells us if only we will trust God and ask him for what we need, if it is good for us, we will receive all the help we need.

Instead of worrying about ourselves, St Paul says "Think kind

thoughts of others".

On Friday this week we celebrate CAFOD Harvest Fast Day. On this Day, here at SJP we will be supporting the work of The Wirral Food Bank which is run by our local churches and community organisations. On Harvest Fast Day we will be asking you to bring in a tin of food (or food in packets) and to exchange them for a cup of soup and a bread roll at lunchtime.

We will also be collecting donations for the work of CAFOD in response to their East Africa Crisis Appeal.

### An extract from St Paul's Letter to the Philippians

*Be full of joy in the Lord always. I will say again, be full of joy.*

*Let everyone see that you are gentle and kind. The Lord is coming soon. Do not worry about anything, but pray and*

*ask God for everything you need, always giving thanks and God's peace (which is so great we cannot understand it), will keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.*

*Brothers and sisters, think about the things that are good and worthy of praise. Think about the things that are true and honourable and right and pure and beautiful and respected. Do what you learned and received from me, what I told you, and what you saw me do. And the God who gives peace will be with you.*

### Prayer

Almighty and eternal God, your love for us surpasses all our hopes and desires.

Help us to place our total confidence in you, that anxieties may not cloud our minds and we may think only of your love and the love we should have for others.

Amen

