

tes schools awards 2013 WINNER

Numeracy & Maths Award

SJP Are Winners Once Again!

We were thrilled to be announced as the winners of the prestigious National Award for Numeracy & Maths at the Times Educational Supplement's Annual Schools Awards. SJP was also shortlisted for the National Award for Literacy & English, another fantastic achievement in itself.

The TES Schools Awards celebrate those schools, individuals and teams whose dedication, innovation, and hard work are making a real difference for their pupils and their communities. The awards are a celebration of the very best in education, a celebration of the initiatives schools take to better the lives of future generations, and a celebration of the people who make these initiatives happen.

The selection panel were looking for real innovation and examples of excellent teaching practice. The judges were keen to see exactly what SJP has achieved and, most importantly, clear, quantifiable evidence of on-going success.

Tom Quinn, Head Teacher of SJP, said "We were very proud to be shortlisted in both of these categories and are thrilled that our Maths department has achieved this fantastic accolade. We are particularly pleased that both of these awards cover some of the most crucial aspects of secondary education. The standards of success in these areas at SJP are much valued by our families and are key to giving our young people access to the full range of options and choices as they move into higher education and careers."

The judges were fulsome in their praise of the College, saying "SJP made a bold decision to halve class sizes as part of a range of innovative approaches. The reward was fantastic results and phenomenal student engagement."



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

Curtis Jobling Visits SJP



Curtis Jobling, the designer of award-winning hit children's television series *Bob the Builder*, *Raa Raa the Noisy Lion* and the author of numerous children's books including the epic, fantasy adventure series *Wereworld*, dropped in to College last Friday and captivated an audience of Key Stage 3 pupils with a fascinating insight into his life.

Pupils heard, how growing up in the 1970's on a diet of *Star Wars*, *Flash Gordon* and *Fighting Fantasy* books, Curtis spent hours creating his own comic strip stories and drawing animated characters.

The website www.wereworldbooks.com is packed full of information about the author and his books, video clips to watch and fun stuff to take part in.



Book Fair



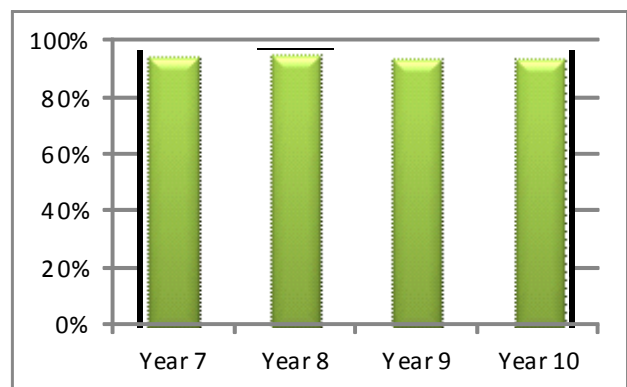
The last week of June saw the return of the extremely popular HALF PRICE Book Fair.

Throughout the week pupils from all year groups flocked to the library to browse and buy from an extensive selection of books that were for sale from some of our best selling children's authors such as Jacqueline Wilson, Michael Morpurgo and Suzanne Collins. Posters and stationery were also very popular purchases!

Lucy Kelly 7SB commented "I bought a pack of three good books for £1.50, they were a great bargain!" By the end of the week, sales at the fair had totalled a fantastic £350.00. This resulted in our college receiving £110.00 worth of free books for our library.



Attendance - 08/07/13 - 12/07/13



Year 7 - 93.6% Year 8 - 94.4% Year 9 - 93.2%
Year 10 - 93.2%

Food Revolution

This week saw SJP's very own school chef Neil and his assistant Nikki deliver an inspiring workshop to all Year 10 catering students this week to further spread the word about the importance of food education across the school. Chef Neil gave an insightful talk about his life as a chef and his role and responsibilities as SJP's school chef. He then demonstrated three delicious international salads; Waldorf, Chicken Caesar and Asian Noodle, which pupils then had an opportunity to make after the demonstration. This further advanced their knife skills and enabled them to use this experience in a report as part of their coursework on international cuisine. The response from pupils was excellent and they thoroughly enjoyed working under the expert guidance of chef Neil

The Summer reading Challenge

The 'Summer Reading Challenge' aims to encourage children of all ages and abilities to keep reading during the long summer holidays.

To get involved, simply call into your local library at the beginning of the holidays and join up, it's completely free!

Look on the website for a message from the *Blue Peter* presenters, information and competitions for the challenge:

www.summerreadingchallenge.org.uk

The Reading Agency and Libraries present
Creepy House Summer Reading Challenge 2013



Dare you enter The Creepy House
Reading Challenge?
28th June - 17th August



Coming up

- China Trip: 14th - 31st July
- Tuesday 3rd Sept: Year 7 and 12 return to school
- Wednesday 4th Sept: All Years return to school

Literacy Corner

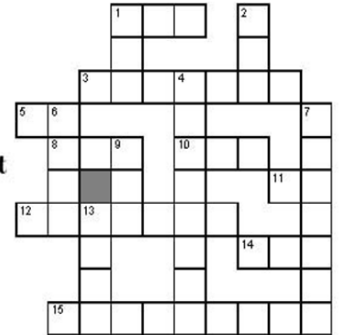
Can you complete the crossword below?
Good luck and bring your completed crosswords to
Mrs Connolly to win a prize!

Insects



Across

1. A flying animal that eats insects.
3. A white insect that is the ants' enemy.
5. A cup ___ tea.
8. The top of a jar.
10. How many legs do insects have?
11. Yes ___ no.
12. A red insect with black spots.
14. Turn the light ___.
15. A long flying insect.



Down

1. An insect that makes honey.
2. An insect that lives in a colony.
4. An insect that drinks blood.
6. An insect that makes dogs itchy.
7. An insect that is bright at night.
9. Not night.
13. Open the _____.



A Blessing for the Summer Holiday

Take time to claim your strength; this is a gift from God.
Take time to have fun; it is God's way of teaching you your strengths.

Take time to grow yourself; only you can grow you.

Take time to trust yourself; God trusts you.

Take time to be self-reliant; it is better than being dependent.

Take time to share with others; they will bless you and you will bless them.

Take time to have hope; you are a child of God.

Lord God,

We put ourselves into your hands, and pray that you will bless us and our families during the wonderful months of summer.

May we all help make our home a place of relaxation, joy, love, peace and safety.

May we be generous and considerate, not thinking only about ourselves, but helping others enjoy the blessings of summertime.

We ask this through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen

St John Plessington

Pray for us

Language Corner



¡Spanish Challenge!

Durante las vacaciones voy a hacer muchas cosas. La primera semana voy a ir a España con mi familia. Vamos a ir en avión y cada día vamos a ir a la playa porque me encanta nadar en el mar. La segunda semana voy a practicar mucho deporte. Mi deporte favorito es el voleibol entonces voy a practicarlo en el jardín. También mis amigos y yo vamos a jugar al baloncesto en el parque. La última semana voy a hacer mis deberes y preparar para volver al colegio en septiembre.

Your challenge: What is Juan going to do in Spain?

The first 5 people who bring the correct answer in Spanish to Señora Smart in MFL 5 will receive a house point.



Maths Corner

If 90 D in a RA stands for 90 degrees in a right angle, what do the following stand for?

180 D in a T

7 D in a W

3 F in a Y

10MM in a CM

366 D in a LY

7 is the SR of FN

SW and the 7 D

Solution for last week

Let the number of the coin be x

$$(x \div 2) - 2 = x \div 3$$

$$3(x \div 2) - 6 = x$$

$$3x \div 2 = x + 6$$

$$3x = 2x + 12$$

$$x = 12$$

There were 12 coins on the table

Weekly Theme - 'Faithful to Christ'

Luke 10: 25-37

On one occasion an expert in the law stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he asked, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" "What is written in the Law?" He replied. "How do you read it?" He answered, "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind; and, Love your neighbour as yourself." "You have answered correctly," Jesus replied. "Do this and you will live." But he wanted to justify himself, so he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbour?" In reply Jesus said: "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, when he was attacked by robbers. They stripped him of his clothes, beat him and went away, leaving him half dead. A priest happened to be going down the same road, and when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side. So too, a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan, as he travelled, came where the man was; and when he saw him, he took pity on him. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he put the man on his own donkey, brought him to an inn and took care of him. The next day he took out two denari and gave them to the innkeeper. "Look after him," he said, "and when I return, I will reimburse you for any extra expense you may

have." "Which of these three do you think was a neighbour to the man who fell into the hands of robbers?" The expert in the law replied, "The one who had mercy on him." Jesus told him, "Go and do likewise."

As we arrive at the last week of term, we return to the central theme of Jesus' teaching. 'Love your neighbour'. It's easy to say that we love our neighbour, but it is a much harder thing to put into practice.

At this time of year it is good that we remind ourselves that no matter where we are, at home, at school or on holiday – this command of Jesus always applies. If we centre our lives on his words, if we are "Always faithful to Christ!" in the things we say and the way in which we act, then we will never be without friends, we will always be respected, and we will always find true happiness.

