



### Duke of Edinburgh

Our Duke of Edinburgh's Award season kicked off last Friday and Saturday as thirty students and five staff drove out to Delamere Forest, the first group of our new cohort of Year 9 Bronze Award candidates.

The Duke of Edinburgh's Award, a prestigious and nationally recognised award, is no mean feat as students are required to navigate around a 25 km course over two days, while carrying a range of kit including: a tent, sleeping bag, stove, food and water for the duration of their time in the field. The students are accompanied by a member of our trained staff throughout the practice expedition to provide the group with essential training in the art of navigation and prevent anyone from getting lost. All students completed their training expedition with flying colours.

Qualifying expeditions are scheduled to take place in the latter half of the Summer Term and we wish all of our students improved weather and good luck with the rest of their award.

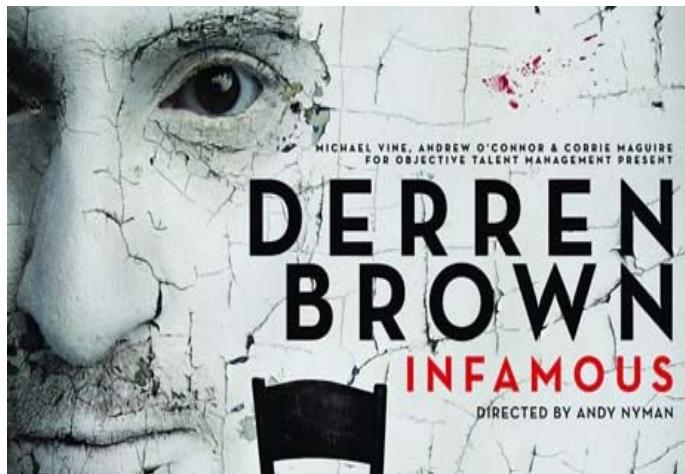


**St JOHN PLESSINGTON**  
**CATHOLIC COLLEGE**



## Derren Brown

In the Easter holidays some of our Sixth Form students were lucky enough to watch Derren Brown's new production 'Infamous' at the Empire Theatre. The show involved hypnotism, suggestibility, mind reading and psychic surgery. The audience learnt about how psychic mediumship is carried out and had the opportunity to see Derren's awesome memory as he recalled the full works of Shakespeare as well as the Bible (word for word!). He truly is a master of the mind and his new show more than lived up to our expectations, amazing us with an array of mind games, manipulation and true showmanship. The students and teachers were mesmerised and the show has led to fierce class debates about how he executes his spectacular illusions.



## Primary Cross Country

Last Thursday 60 primary pupils were welcomed into SJP to participate in a cross country event. Pupils from St John's Infants, St John's Juniors and St Andrew's braved the cold weather and ran the cross country course on the fields, completing specific distances relevant to their age group. Pupils ranged from Year 1 right through to Year 6. Congratulations to all pupils for taking part and a special thank you to our local primaries for their fabulous contribution. There were lots of happy faces leaving with medals as a result of their success out on the field. Well done to the SJP sports leaders who assisted with the event and ensured that the primary pupils knew exactly which course they needed to complete.

## Coming Soon



## Key Stage 4 Homework Clubs

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Lunch Time	ICT	ICT	ICT Geography	ICT	ICT
After School		Applied Science Triple Science SC9 RE Y10 ALPHA (pupils to go to their RE teacher)	French RE Y11(set 2-6)	History Science Core SC2 & SC4 Business Studies Spanish and French RE Y10 BETA (pupils to go to their RE teacher) Geography	PE BTEC

## Literacy Corner

You are looking for the words in the list below. They are all examples of bones in the human body.

Bring your completed word search to Mrs. Connolly to win a prize!

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L	A	M	U	I	N	A	R	C	Y	L	L	A	A	F
N	C	K	U	R	C	A	Y	B	R	G	L	N	R	F
A	K	L	U	R	L	O	V	X	Z	X	E	D	S	Y
Y	S	M	A	U	C	E	C	H	Z	S	T	I	A	V
C	E	U	P	V	R	A	A	Y	L	Y	A	B	L	N
F	A	A	R	T	I	R	S	A	X	C	P	L	S	X
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CARPALS		CLAVICLE		COCYX										
CRANIUM		FEMUR		FIBULA										
HUMERUS		MANDIBLE		METACARPALS										
PATELLA		PELVIS		PHALANGES										
RADIUS		RIB		SACRUM										
SCAPULA		STERNUM		TARSALS										
TIBIA		ULNA		VERTEBRA										

**Next PTA meeting:**  
7pm Tuesday 30th April 2013  
in the College Staff Room.  
All are welcome.

## Coming up

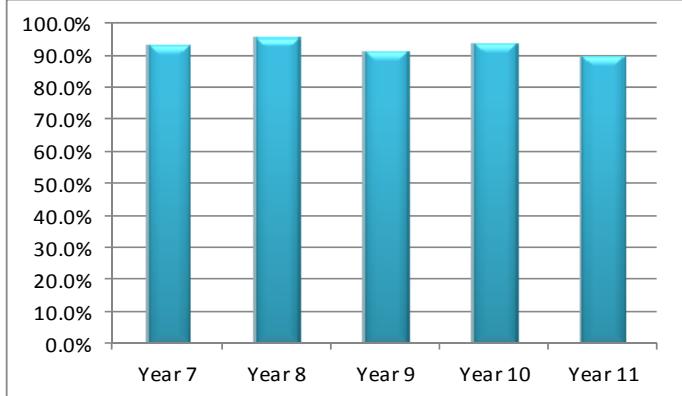
- Year 9 Bronze DofE Expedition:  
-26th and 27th April  
-3rd and 4th May
- Dance Revolution : 24th April
- Y9 Savio House Trip : 29th April - 1st May

## Spelling Bee



On Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March, four excited Year 7 pupils made their way to Manchester Metropolitan University to compete in the Regional Final of the Routes into Languages Foreign Language Spelling Bee. Abigail Christelow, Abbey Martin, Jamie Williams and Che Cullen all delivered impressive performances by correctly spelling as many Spanish words as possible in sixty seconds, using the Spanish alphabet. They were all competing for a place at the National Final at Cambridge University. Che Cullen was so impressive that he made it to the final eight contestants and only narrowly missed a place in the final four. This year over 8,500 pupils registered for the competition from 73 schools in the North West, so as I'm sure you would agree, this is an outstanding achievement. We look forward to entering again with our pupils in Year 7.

## Attendance - 08/04/13 - 12/04/13



**Year 7 - 93.8% Year 8 - 96.6% Year 9 - 92.0%**

**Year 10 - 94.4% Year 11 - 90.6%**

## Language Corner

### French fact of the fortnight

In France children do not wear school uniform but they often go to school on Saturday mornings.

Your Challenge: On which afternoon would you be at school but French children would not be?

- a) Monday
- b) Wednesday
- c) Friday
- d) Sunday

The first 5 correct entries to Madame Smart in MFL 5 will receive a house point.

Last week's winner was:

Dorian Steel 7OR

## Maths Corner

Can you make this statement true by adding just one small line ?

$$10 \ 10 \ 10 = 9:50$$

### Solution for last week

180 Degrees in a Triangle	10 Millimetres in a Centimetre
7 Days in a Week	366 Days in a Leap Year
3 Feet in a Yard	7 is the Square Root of Forty Nine
Snow White and the 7 Dwarfs	

## Weekly Theme - 'Being a Witness'

**John 20: 19-31** Later, Jesus showed himself to his followers again—this time at Lake Galilee. This is how he showed himself: Some of the followers were together: Simon Peter, Thomas, Nathaniel from Cana in Galilee, the two sons of Zebedee, and two other followers. Simon Peter said, "I am going out to fish." The others said, "We will go with you." So they went out and got into the boat. They fished that night but caught nothing. Early the next morning Jesus stood on the shore, but the followers did not know it was Jesus. Then he said to them, "Friends, did you catch any fish?" They answered, "No." He said, "Throw your net on the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they did, and they caught so many fish they could not pull the net back into the boat. The follower whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Peter heard him say this, he wrapped his coat around himself (Peter had taken his clothes off). Then he jumped into the water. The other followers went to shore in the boat, dragging the net full of fish. They were not very far from shore, only about a hundred yards. When the followers stepped out of the boat and onto the shore, they saw a fire of hot coals. There were fish on the fire, and there was bread. Then Jesus said, "Bring some of the fish you just caught." Simon Peter went into the boat and pulled the net to the shore. It was full of big fish, 153 in all, but even though there were so many, the net did not tear. Jesus said to them, "Come and eat." None of the followers dared ask him, 'Who are you?' because they knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, along with the fish. This was now the third time Jesus showed himself to his followers after he was raised from the dead. When they finished eating, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" He answered, "Yes, Lord, you

know that I love you." Jesus said, "Feed my lambs." Again Jesus said, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He answered, "Yes, Lord, you know that I love you." Jesus said, "Take care of my sheep." A third time he said, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter was hurt because Jesus asked him the third time, "Do you love me?" Peter said, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you!" He said to him, "Feed my sheep. I tell you the truth, when you were younger, you tied your own belt and went where you wanted. But when you are old, you will put out your hands and someone else will tie you and take you where you don't want to go." (Jesus said this to show how Peter would die to give glory to God.) Then Jesus said to Peter, "Follow me!"

It is a remarkable claim; that your friend has risen from the dead. No wonder the friends of Jesus, at first found this difficult to believe. But as soon as they did believe they were keen to tell everyone they met about it. Each of the apostles died for their keenness to tell others about the Good News of Jesus. As Christians we are faced with the same challenge today two thousand years later, to believe that Jesus rose from the dead and to bear witness to him in the way we live our lives. We will thankfully never be put to death for our belief in Jesus, but we may be laughed at or mocked by people. It takes courage to be a follower of Jesus. We have to have courage.

**Father, you raised Jesus your Son  
To a glorious new life in you.  
May we have deep faith in the Resurrection and be  
your witnesses by the joy and quality of our lives.  
Amen.**