



Munich Trip



On Friday 15th March Miss Francis, Mr McHale, Mrs Davies and Mrs Hughes set out from Manchester Airport with 34 Sixth Form and Year 11 pupils. Arriving in Munich to sub-zero temperatures and snow. Excited at the prospect of what lay ahead, we made our way to our hotel and settled in ready to explore the city the following morning. We woke on Saturday to glorious sunshine and set out by foot on a four hour walking tour of Munich. The trip focused on the roots and activities of the Nazi Party and pupils visited sights such as the scene of the Munich Putsch, the headquarters of the Party and the location of Hitler's first public speech as well as his residential home and that of Eva Braun. Students and pupils also saw the medieval origins of Munich and remnants of the damage caused by the Second World War. In the afternoon, we set out by coach to Dachau Concentration Camp, the first camp set up by the Nazis in 1933. We watched a documentary film detailing the history of the camp as well as visiting the remains of the former barracks, crematoria and the site of the gas chambers. Pupils also had time to reflect upon their experiences at the Dachau memorial. On Sunday the group travelled by coach to Nuremberg, the home of the Nazi Party rallies and

the site of the War Crimes Trials after the Second World War. We visited the Museum of Fascination and Terror which documented the history of the Nazi Party as well as its links with the city of Nuremberg. We also visited the remains of the former rally grounds and were able to stand on the site of many of Hitler's iconic speeches of the 1930s. In the afternoon, we made our way to the Palace of Justice visiting the court room of the War Trials of the 1940s and watching footage of the trials of Herman Goering and Rudolf Hess, as well as many other Nazi leaders. We also visited the museum of the Palace which documented the details of all trials that took place after World War Two. This was a truly fantastic day.

On Monday we made our way by train to the site of the 1972 Olympic Games. Visiting the Olympic Tower at 172m high, we took in fantastic views of the city as well as the Alps. We also visited the Munich Olympic Stadium and BMW World. Pupils also found time for a spot of shopping.

The trip was a fantastic success and has brought to life the many aspects of German History studied at GCSE and A-Level. A truly enjoyable experience for everyone involved.



New Rugby Kit



As part of the 'All Schools Rugby' initiative in October we were invited by 'Canterbury' to attend a workshop. We designed a new kit that was to be made and launched on Sunday 10th March 2013 at the England v Italy match at Twickenham. Elizabeth Roberts, Year 7, was selected to attend the launch and participate in the event which saw her modelling the new kit at Twickenham before the match started and at half time. As a result of this all 80,000 spectators witnessed the designs of all 100 schools across the entire programme. This was an amazing opportunity for Elizabeth who was a credit to SJP. The new rugby kit has now arrived at school and the girls can't wait to wear it.



Fine Art

Sixth Form art students have been working hard to produce a range of murals for a local church. pictured below with one of the four murals based on the liturgical seasons produced for St John the evangelist catholic parish centre in New Ferry, during our recent experience days. The mural was seen by Bishop Mark when he visited the parish on St Patrick's Day.



Easter Hunt



On Wednesday lunchtime, 8TL conducted their charity 'Easter Egg Hunt' in the school grounds. 50 pupils had purchased tickets and *eggitement* reached fever pitch when the Easter Bunny hopped in. £30 was raised for Street Child Africa and a good time was had by all.

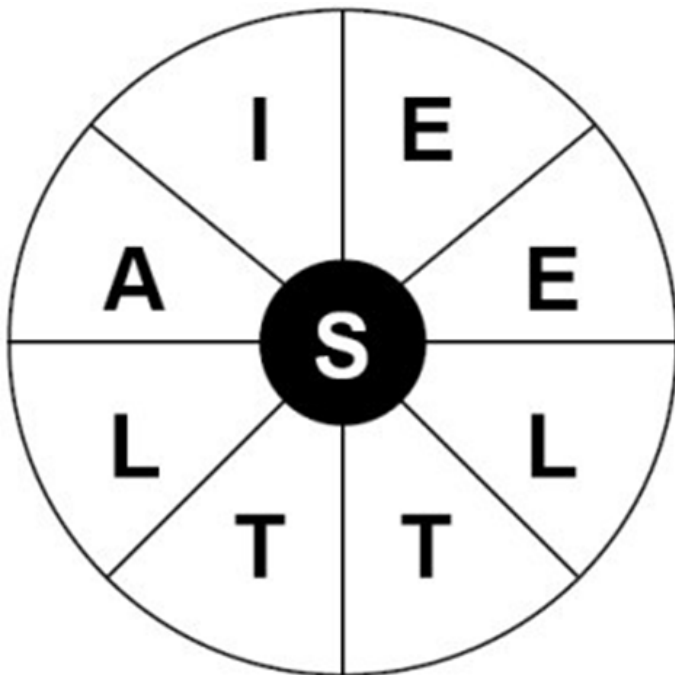
Literacy Corner

Word Wheel.

How many words can you make out of the word wheel below?

Remember, you can use each letter only once in each word.

Whoever finds the most, and gives them to Mrs. Connolly, wins a prize!



Plant Sale

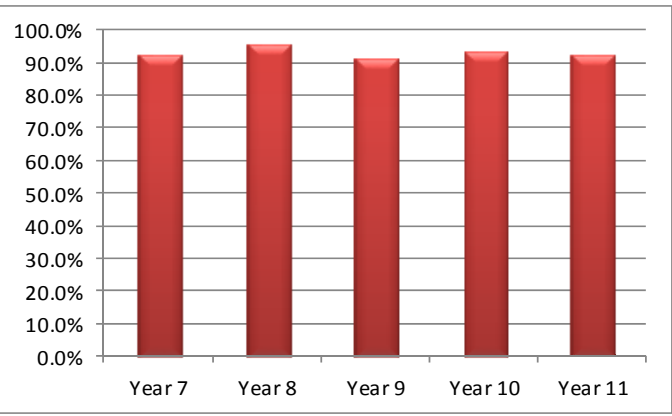

St John Plessington Catholic College
 Old Chester Road, Bebington, Wirral, CH63 7LF
SJP PTA
 are holding their **Annual**
BEDDING PLANT SALE
 on
Saturday 4th May 2013
9.00am – 11.30am
 In the College Dining Hall
 If you wish to pre-order, please telephone 0151 645 5049 or call into the College Reception for an Order Form to be returned to us by Friday 12 April 2013
 Wide choice of high quality plants available
 Order early to avoid disappointment

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

Coming up

- Year 9 Bronze D of E Expedition:
 -12th and 13th April
 -19th and 20th April
 -26th and 27th April
 -3rd and 4th May
- Dance Revolution : 24th April

Attendance - 04/03/13 - 08/03/13



Year 7 - 92.9% **Year 8 - 96.1%** **Year 9 - 91.8%**
Year 10 - 93.9% **Year 11 - 92.7%**

Language Corner

French fact of the fortnight

Easter is a very special time of year in France and many families celebrate it together. They have an extra day off work at the weekend to spend together and the most popular Easter meal is lamb.

Your Challenge: How do you say 'Happy Easter' in French?

- Joyeux Easter
- Bonne Pâques
- Joyeuses Pâques
- Happy Easter!



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

Maths Corner



If A cost 1p, B costs 2p, etc can you find a word which costs exactly 50p



Solution for last week

A decimal point

Weekly Theme - 'If at first you don't succeed try, try again'

John 8:1-11

Jesus went across to Mount Olives, but he was soon back in the Temple again. Swarms of people came to him. He sat down and taught them.

The religion scholars and Pharisees led in a woman who had been caught in an act of adultery. They stood her in plain sight of everyone and said, "Teacher, this woman was caught red-handed in the act of adultery. Moses, in the Law, gives orders to stone such persons. What do you say?" They were trying to trap him into saying something incriminating so they could bring charges against him.

Jesus bent down and wrote with his finger in the dirt. They kept at him, badgering him. He straightened up and said, "The sinless one among you, go first: Throw the stone." Bending down again, he wrote some more in the dirt.

Hearing that, they walked away, one after another, beginning with the oldest. The woman was left alone. Jesus stood up and spoke to her. "Woman, where are they? Does no one condemn you?"

"No one, Master."

"Neither do I," said Jesus. "Go on your way. From now on, don't sin."

The idea of stoning somebody to death seems very barbaric to us (thankfully Jesus saved the woman). In the time in which Jesus lived people had very firm and fixed standards and values. In our own times perhaps it's something that our society has lost.

Jesus told the woman "Go and don't sin anymore". She was given the chance to make a fresh start. This is the real message of Lent; if we are really sorry God will forgive us and we can start afresh and try again.

Father in heaven the love of your Son led him to accept the suffering of the cross. Change our selfishness into self-giving.

Help us to transform the darkness of this world's pain into the life and joy of Easter.

Amen

