



Green Flag Eco Award

In the last week of term SJP received its third Green Flag for sustainable schools. The assessment is rigorous, pupils were asked many questions about the school and the work of the Eco Team. We will continue to hold the Green Flag status for a further two years. The Eco Team is an integral element of the extracurricular programme at SJP and a range of activities are delivered to pupils on a Tuesday evening from 3.30pm – 4.30pm in Humanities 6. This half term we will be working hard to prepare the poly tunnel for planting in preparation for another successful harvest of vegetables and our ever popular strawberry crop. The Eco Team are always looking for new eco-warriors, so please come along and be part of our success. See Miss Smith for further information.

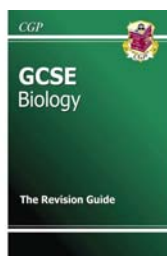
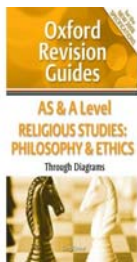
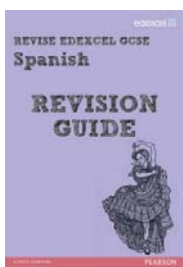


Library

BE WISE, REVISE!

With the exam season fast approaching and revision well under way, why not call into the library to browse through and borrow from the extensive selection of GCSE, AS and A2 Revision Guides available to help you achieve your maximum potential.

Alternatively, you can access BBC Bitesize (www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize) and other revision sites from any of the computers within college. Good luck to everyone sitting exams over the next couple of weeks.



Don't forget! World Film Club is on Wednesdays from 12.30pm. Get your passes from MFL3 Wednesday break time. Last week every seat was booked, so be sure to get your passes quickly.

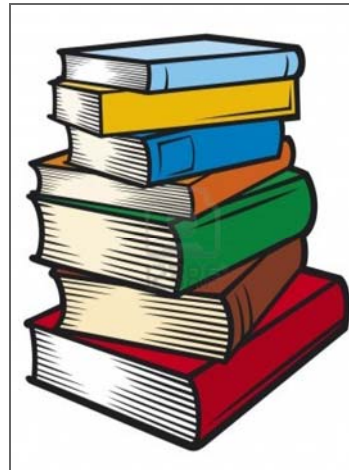


Coming up

- Year 7 Conway Trip - 22-24 January
- Industry Day - Year 9 & Sixth Form - 24 January
- Second Hand Book Sale & Coffee Morning - 25 January
- PTA meeting - 7.00pm 28 January
- Spanish Spelling Bee - 31 January

Swaziland Fund Raising

A Second Hand Book Sale and Coffee Morning – Saturday 25th January 10.00am - 12.00 noon.

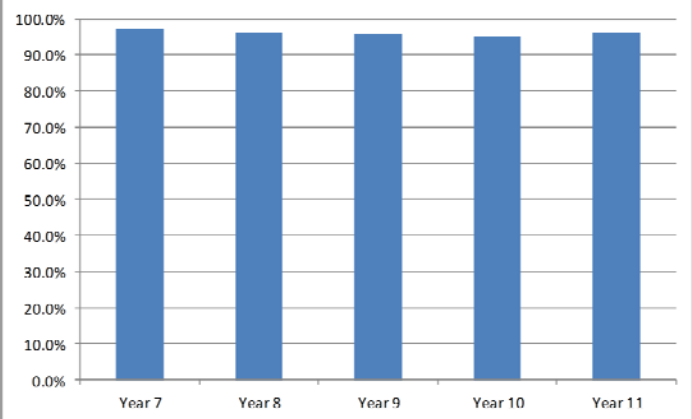


On Saturday 25th January St John Plessington will be holding a Second Hand Book Sale and Coffee Morning to raise funds for the upcoming trip to Swaziland and South Africa. There will be a variety of books on sale as well as a cake and sweet stall and a raffle. The book sale

will take place in the College Hall and doors open at 10.00am until 12.00 noon.



Attendance - 06/01/14 - 10/01/14



Year 7 - 97.2% Year 8 - 96.2% Year 9 - 96.0%
Year 10 - 95.1% Year 11 - 96.3%

Commitment

Matthew 3:13-17

Jesus came from Galilee to John at Jordan to be baptised by him. John tried to prevent him, saying, "I need to be baptised by you, and yet you are coming to me?" Jesus said to him in reply, "Allow it now, for it is fitting for us to fulfil all that is commanded." Then he allowed Him. After Jesus was baptised, He came up from the water and behold, the heavens were opened for Him, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming upon Him. And a voice came from the heavens, saying, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."

The Baptism of Jesus marks the end of the Christmas season and the beginning of Ordinary Time in the church's calendar. It reminds us that we have to get back into our normal routines in life, to begin working towards the goals that we have set ourselves for this coming New Year or to try and achieve the New Year resolutions that we have set for ourselves. We move into ordinary time with renewed life and vigour.

The baptism story is an initiation or commissioning story. Jesus is God's chosen one on whom God's Spirit rests. The voice of God commissions Jesus to bring forth justice, sensitively and without fanfare; to be a light to the peoples; to open the eyes of the blind and to set the captives free. A Spirit-filled life consists in fulfilling such a mission.

Each one of us can make a difference to the 'ordinary time' of those with whom we share our life. The heavens are opened and the Spirit of God came to rest upon Jesus as the Spirit of God rests upon each one of us, and we are chosen to be part of God's plan for the ordinary times of our life.

Jesus, the Chosen one, you trusted in the loving plan of God, deepen our faith and trust in you.
 Jesus, the Anointed one, you began your public ministry after your baptism, may we serve all we meet today with compassion and respect.
 Jesus, the Beloved one, you emptied yourself in love for the human family, open our hearts to the poorest and most abandoned

Amen



Language Corner

Qui est-ce? (Who is it?)

Using the clues below, complete the names of the famous French personalities. The first five correct answers to Mr Passmore will receive house points!



1. Famous Footballer T _ _ _ _ _ y H _ _ _ y
2. Current President F _ a _ ç _ _ s H _ _ _ a _ n _ _
3. Actress M _ _ _ _ n C _ t _ l _ _ r _
4. Actress E _ _ G _ e _ n
5. Famous DJ D _ _ _ d G _ _ _ t _
6. Famous model L _ e _ t _ _ C _ s _ a

Maths Corner

Happy New Year 2014
 A Maths Starter Of The Year



What will the date be:

- 1) 2014 days after 1st January 2014?
- 2) 2014 hours after 1st January 2014?
- 3) 2014 minutes after 1st January 2014?
- 4) 2014 seconds after 1st January 2014?

Solution for last week

The largest total is 403.2
 The smallest total is 0.42

Examinations Update

January mock examinations, GCSE and GCE

January mock exams begin on Tuesday 14 January and continue through to Friday 24 January. All students who have mock examinations this January should have received an Individual Pupil Timetable.

Timetables listing all mock examinations taking place in January can be found on the College website via the following route:

- www.stjohnplessington.com
- About Us
- Exams Information 2013/2014
- Select GCE or GCSE January mock timetable

January mock exam results days are:

- GCSE: Wednesday 5 February
- GCE: Thursday 6 February

Summer examinations, GCSE and GCE

GCSE

Entries for Summer GCSE examinations will be submitted to the exam boards on Friday 21 February. Students will be issued with Individual Pupil Timetables on Friday 28 February.

GCE

Entries for Summer GCE examinations will be submitted to the exam boards on Friday 21 March. Students will be issued with Individual Pupil Timetables on Friday 28 March.

A provisional *Summer 2014 Exams Information for Parents and Pupils* booklet can be accessed on the College website via the following route:

- www.stjohnplessington.com
- About Us
- Exams Information 2013/2014
- Information for Parents and Pupils

This includes a provisional Summer 2014 exam timetable, information and advice for pupils and official notices from the Joint Council for Qualifications (JCQ). **Please note that the timetable in the provisional booklet has not been finalised.** GCE and GCSE exams will run from Monday 12 May - Tuesday 24 June 2014. There will be no exams during the half term break (26 - 30 May).

A finalised *Summer 2014 Exams Information for Parents and Pupils* booklet will be made available on the school website from the end of March.

Summer exam results days are:

- GCE: Thursday 14 August 2014
- GCSE: Thursday 21 August 2014