



St John Plessington
Catholic College

Newsletter

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Learning Programme 1/3
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Welcome

Welcome to our Year 7



Open Morning

Tuesday 24th September 2013 9.00am-12.00noon

Open Evening

Wednesday 2nd October 2013 6.00pm-8.30pm

Parking

Increased parking restrictions are in place around school. When finding alternative parking please be considerate of other road users and businesses.

Remember this is for the health and safety of all our pupils, students, staff and visitors.

Your co-operation is appreciated.

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Library News

FREE BOOKS FOR ALL YEAR 7 PUPILS

BOOKBUZZ, the 'FREE BOOKS' reading promotion for ALL Year 7 pupils is back again! Now in its seventh year, this extremely popular campaign which is organised by Booktrust and funded by the Department for Education has given a free book to almost two million children in England. The aim of Bookbuzz is to inspire and encourage young people to read for pleasure and discover new books and authors by providing every Year 7 pupil with a free book from the specially selected titles by award winning children's authors.

There are 12 books in total which are displayed in the College library for Year 7 pupils to browse through. Orders are to be given to Form Tutors and the books will be delivered to forms after the half term break.

More information can be found about Bookbuzz at www.bookbuzz.org.uk



Expressive Arts Extra Curricular Timetable

| | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
|--------------|--|---|--|---|--|
| 12-12.35pm | Boccia | Yr10/11 Rugby Yr10/11 Netball Leadership Academy Jazz Group | Yr9/10 Football Yr10/11/6 th Form Basketball Yr9/10 Netball Yr10 Dance Choir Ukulele Group Spotlight Boys | Yr11/6 th Form Football Yr9 Basketball Yr9 Dance Voices Spotlight String Group | Yr9 Rugby Yr9 Netball Yr10 GCSE Dance All years Cross Country Flute Choir Band |
| 12.35-1.10pm | PE BTEC Club GCSE Dance Prep PA BTEC Club GCSE Music Prep | Yr7/8 Football Yr7 Netball Yr8 Dance Yr7 Choir Yr8 Drama Club | Yr7/8 Basketball Yr7 Dance Brass Band | Yr8 Rugby Yr8 Netball Yr7 Liturgical Singing | Yr7 Rugby Yr7/9/10 Girls Tag Rugby Yr7 Drama Club |
| 3.20-4.20pm | | All years fixtures Yr9/10/11 Netball Yr8 Dance PE Fixtures-various Production Rehearsals PA BTEC/GCSE Club | All years Rugby Yr7/8 Netball Yr7 Dance PE Fixtures-various Production Rehearsals PA BTEC/GCSE Club | All years Basketball All years Girls Tag Rugby Yr11 GCSE Dance PE Fixtures-various Production Rehearsals PA BTEC/GCSE Club | PE BTEC Club Trampoline Club Production Rehearsals PA BTEC/GCSE Club |

Literacy Corner

BOGGLE BONANZA!

Boggle requires you to look at the letters provided in the grid.

Your challenge is to create as many words as you can out of the letters provided. You can pick the letters in any order, but you may only use the letter ONCE in each word.

The person who finds the longest word wins a prize!

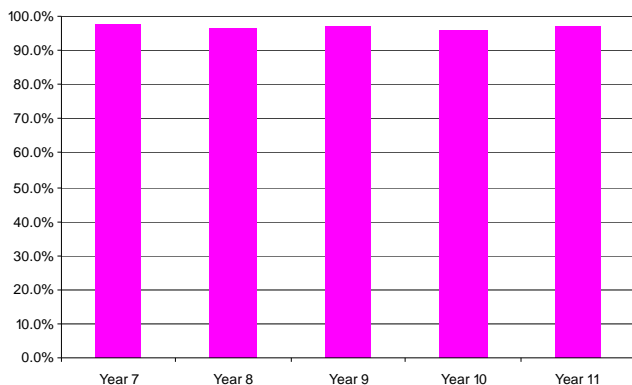
See Mrs Connolly with your answers.

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| H | A | V | L |

Next PTA meeting:

7.00pm Tuesday 12th November 2013
in the College Staff Room.
All are welcome.

Attendance - 09/09/13 - 13/09/13



Year 7 - 97.9% Year 8 - 96.6% Year 9 - 97.0%
Year 10 - 96.0% Year 11 - 96.8%

SJP Maths Department present Maths Homework Club.
A further programme of support to help pupils achieve.



Sum Help?

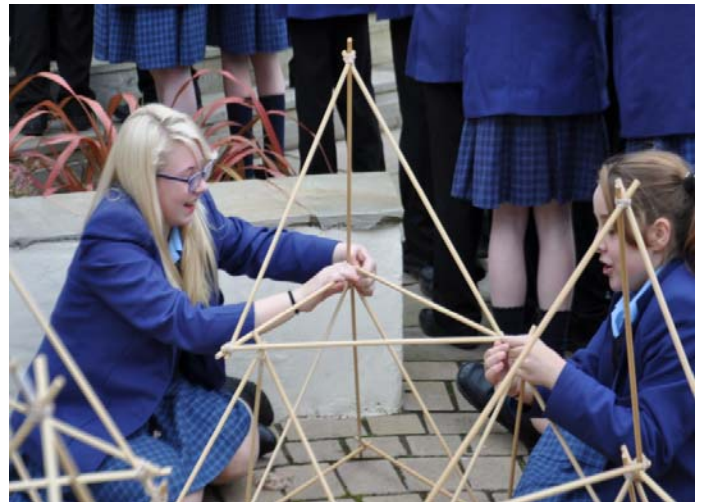
Do you need extra help with your Maths Homework or just a little bit of extra Maths support?
If so, come along:



3:20 – 4:20pm

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

Tuesday - Year 8
Wednesday - Year 7



Coming up

- Y12 Emmaus Walk: 20th September
- DofE Silver: 21st September - 23rd September
- Open Morning: 24th September 9am-12pm

Language Corner

Film Review

Les Aventures Extraordinaires d'Adèle Blanc-Sec

Brimming with heart pounding action and stunning cinematography, "Les Aventures Extraordinaires d'Adèle Blanc-Sec", is a wildly entertaining cinematic adventure filled with humour, incredible action sequences, mystery and intrigue. Adèle (a cross between Indiana Jones, Lara Croft and Titanic's Rose Dewitt Bukater) is a journalist in pre-World War 1 Paris, who specialises in explaining mystical events.

Join her as she breaks into an Egyptian Tomb, rescues Paris from a Pterodactyl and avoids a love-struck fan, all while trying to find a cure for her sick sister. World Film Club will be showing Adèle Blanc-Sec in the coming weeks so keep a look out for more information!



Maths Corner

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| 1 | 2 | 3 |
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| 9 | 9 | 9 |

Highlight three numbers from those above that add up to 17.

Solution for last week

$$21 \times 17 = 357 \quad 89 \times 450 = 40050$$

$$809 \times 51 = 41259 \quad 418 \times 111 = 46398$$

$$300 \times 423 = 126900 \quad 1230 \times 770 = 947100$$

Weekly Theme - 'Our Core Values'

Luke 15: 11-32

Then He said, "There was once a man who had two sons. The younger said to his father, 'Father, I want right now what's coming to me.'" So the father divided the property between them. It wasn't long before the younger son packed his bags and left for a distant country. There, undisciplined and dissipated, he wasted everything he had. After he had gone through all his money, there was a bad famine all through that country and he began to hurt. He signed on with a citizen there who assigned him to his fields to slop the pigs. He was so hungry he would have eaten the corncobs in the pig slop, but no one would give him any. That brought him to his senses. He said, "All those farmhands working for my father sit down to three meals a day, and here I am starving to death. I'm going back to my father. I'll say to him, 'Father, I've sinned against God, I've sinned before you; I don't deserve to be called your son. Take me on as a hired hand.'" He got right up and went home to his father. When he was still a long way off, his father saw him. His heart pounding, he ran out, embraced him, and kissed him. The son started his speech, "Father, I've sinned against God, I've sinned before you; I don't deserve to be called your son ever again." But the father wasn't listening. He was calling to the servants, "Quick. Bring a clean set of clothes and dress him. Put the family ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Then get a grain-fed heifer and roast it. We're going to feast! We're going to have a wonderful time! My son is here given up for dead and now alive! Given up for lost and now found!" And they began to have a wonderful time." All this time his older son was out in the field. When the day's work was done he came in. As he approached the house, he heard

the music and dancing. Calling over one of the houseboys, he asked what was going on. He told him, "Your brother came home. Your father has ordered a feast because he has him home safe and sound." The older brother stalked off in an angry sulk and refused to join in. His father came out and tried to talk to him, but he wouldn't listen. The son said, "Look how many years I've stayed here serving you, never giving you one moment of grief, but have you ever thrown a party for me and my friends? Then this son of yours who has thrown away your money on whores shows up and you go all out with a feast!" His father said, "Son, you don't understand. You're with me all the time, and everything that is mine is yours, but this is a wonderful time, and we had to celebrate. This brother of yours was dead, and he's alive! He was lost, and he's found!"

One of the most difficult things to say is "I'm sorry". In what Jesus said and did He shows how important it is to say 'sorry'. He prayed "Father forgive them", as He hung on the cross. If we fail to say, "I'm sorry", situations can spiral out of our control. This coming Saturday 21st September is the United Nations International Peace Day. The General Assembly has declared this as a day devoted to strengthening the ideals of peace, both within and among all nations and peoples.

Prayer

Almighty God and Father,

There are times when we need to return to you and ask for forgiveness.

May we in turn offer the same love and forgiveness to those who hurt us.

Amen