

# Newsletter

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Last week, Mr McHale and the Year 12 Geography students ventured out to the River Alyn in Wales to complete their AS river investigation. They travelled to Loggerheads Centre to begin the study which will support them in their Unit 2 Skills Examination in May. The day consisted of compiling a range of river measurements including the width, velocity, depth and wetted perimeter of the River Alyn. The weather held out and considering the recent heavy rainfall across the UK, levels were safe to enter. The skills students gained proved invaluable and a good day was had by all.







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#### Language Corner

#### ¡Qué desastre!

Can you pick out the mistakes in the text below? There are 10 in total. The first five correct answers to Mr Passmore will win Vivo points!

Me gusta mucha el ingles porque es interestante y no es aburrida. Me encanta las ciencias porque el profesor es buenos y gracioso.

Sin embargo, odio la matemáticas porque no son divertidos, también no me gusta nada el educación física porque son pesada.

#### **MFL Clubs**

<u>Years 7 & 8 Homework Lunch Club</u> every Tuesday during Academic Review. Get your pass from LA1 at break-time on Tuesday.

Years 8 & 9 French Club every Tuesday at 3.20pm in LA1.

World Film Club this Wednesday. Get your passes from MFL3 Wednesday break to avoid missing out!

# **PGL Liddington Weekend**

A group of Year 8 and 9 girls took part in a PGL activity weekend at Liddington Activity Centre. The girls participated in a number of activities including archery, a giant swing, zip wire and night ambush which tested confidence and head for heights. They also formed a netball team and competed in matches against teams from Wales and London. The team played really well, securing a win, a draw and a few losses. Well done to all of the girls that participated and represented SJP so brilliantly.



#### SJP PTA Bedding Plant Sale



St John Plessington Catholic College

<u>DECEMBACIONES CACICIONES DE C</u>

SJP PTA are holding their Annual

BEDDING PLANT SALE

on

Saturday 3rd May 2014

9.00am - 11.30am

In the College Dining Hall

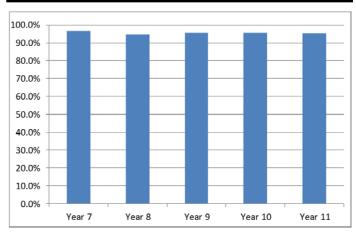
If you wish to pre-order, please complete the attached Order Form (further copies available from the College Reception) and return to us by Friday 4th April 2014

Wide choice of high quality plants available

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# Attendance - 10/03/14 - 14/03/14



Year 7 - 96.7% Year 8 - 94.4% Year 9 - 95.6% Year 10 - 95.7% Year 11 - 95.2%

# **Year 12 Success**

Congratulations to Year 12 Students, Clerin Joseph

and Michael McDonough, who have been selected from hundreds of students from the Merseyside area to attend Merseyside Oxford Access Programme.

Organised by St Peter's College, Oxford, the Programme will see the students take part in a series of free events over the course of the year which are designed to assist them when making applications to The University of Oxford. One of the events will be a two-night residential stay in Oxford which will include College tours, meeting current Oxford students and academics and writing personal statements.



Michael and Clerin will have the opportunity to interact with eminent scholars in various faculties and will get the chance to utilise the libraries and laboratories, while acclimatising to the typical university atmosphere.

The Students will also take part in an 'Academic Challenge' that will see them research a subject that they will present at an event in July.

We further congratulate Clerin and follow Year 12 Student, Jismi Gladis, who have been accepted to attend Magdalene College Summer School at the University of Cambridge. This will be a fantastic opportunity for both students, well done!

# **Year 7 Rugby**

The Year 7 Rugby Team played a friendly match against Bebington High School who have been in good form in recent tournaments. SJP went into the match unbeaten this year and as a result, came out on top winning 57-7.

It was an excellent all round squad performance with stand-out performances from Aaron O'Hare, Aaron Rainbow-Adams and man of the match, Luca Longman.

#### **Eco Club**

SJP Eco club have recently been designing and making their own reusable bags. The materials were all recycled clothes, fabrics, beads and

buttons. The bags are 100% recycled and highlight the need to use bags for life rather than relying on disposable plastic carrier bags. The



team worked really hard to design and make eye catching and practical bags.

Come along to Eco Club and get involved in our next big project. We meet every Tuesday after school in HU6. All are welcome!

#### Year 10 Team Maths Challenge

Last week, eight Year 10 pupils attended King David High School in Childwall to participate in the annual regional Team Mathematics Challenge which was organised by the Further Mathematics Support Programme.

The group took part in a series of difficult challenges which needed to be unscrambled using mathematical knowledge, problem solving techniques and, above all, team work.

Even though the challenges were hard, the students had fun and were able to develop their cognitive processing skills.

Megan Statham, 10MT said "We found the rounds challenging but it was a fun filled afternoon."



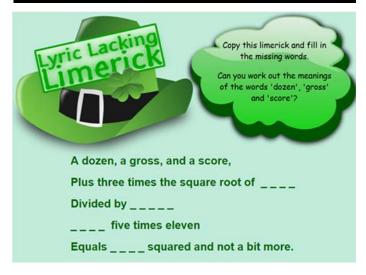
#### **Literacy Corner**

These anagrams are all names of actors who appear in the Harry Potter films. Can you work out who they are? See Mrs Connolly with your answers and win a prize!

> A noble Brit core Handle force Replenish fan Monet loft Noble magic ham Trip grunter Fish yarns



#### **Maths Corner**



#### Last week's answers:

11 + 38 = 4988 x 33 = 2904 838 - 383 = 455 181x11=1991 10 x 10 1 + 111 = 1121 31 + 31 + 31 = 93 $181 \times 131 - 80 = 23631$ I 380 + 38 - 83 = 1335

Here is an example where the calculation and the answer both have horizontal lines of symmetry:

100 + 111 + 11 + 111 = 333

### Weekly Theme - 'Transformation'

#### Matthew 17: 1-9

Six days later, Jesus took Peter, James and John, the brother of James, up on a high mountain by themselves. While they watched, Jesus' appearance was changed; his face became bright like the sun, and his clothes became white as light. Then Moses and Elijah appeared to them, talking with Jesus.

Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good that we are here. If you want, I will put up three tents here - one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." While Peter was talking, a bright cloud covered them. A voice came from the cloud and said, "This is my Son, whom I love, and I am very pleased with him. Listen to him!"

When his followers heard the voice, they were so frightened they fell to the ground. But Jesus went to them and touched them and said, "Stand up. Don't be afraid." When they looked up, they saw Jesus was now alone.

As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus commanded them not to tell anyone about what they had seen until the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

The Glory of God is hidden from us most of the time; we only get a glimpse of it from time to time, for example, in the beauty of a sunset or in the unexpected kindness of somebody that we don't know.

A short time before Jesus' death, God allowed the glory of His Son to be seen by his friends, the Apostles; Peter, James and John. They were ecstatic. They were given a glimpse of their deepest hope; that Jesus was Lord. They were then told to keep quiet about this until after His death. Jesus' glory has to be understood as a result of His sacrifice of His life.

We as Christians are happy because, like the disciples on the top of the mountain, we have experienced a touch of heaven, the joy of Jesus, and the happiness that is awaiting us in heaven.

#### <u>Prayer</u>

Father of Light, pour the light of love into our minds and hearts, so that we may live good lives and give you glory for the good things we achieve.

**Amen** 

















