

# Newsletter

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#### SJP France Skiing Trip

This year's SJP ski trip took place in Tignes, France, during the second week of the Easter holidays. Twenty eight pupils from across different year groups took to the slopes demonstrating their skiing talents. Pupils skied four hours a day and the whole group showed resilience and determination and all improved their skills greatly. Some pupils even learnt to ski backwards and jump in the air over obstacles. In the evening, pupils went bowling, swimming and snow boarding. As the end of the trip arrived it was evident that pupils had enjoyed being part of such a fabulous trip.

Well done to all that took part - your hard work and behaviour was a credit to the College.







# Monday 5th May 2014 - Bank Holiday - College closed

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#### Language Corner

#### Voici ma famille!

Can you work out the answers from the description below? The first five correct answers to Mr Passmore will win Vivo points!

Bonjour! Je m'appelle Jean. Je présente ma famille. Il y a mon père, ma mère, mon frère et mes deux sœurs. Ma mère a les cheveux gris et courts. Mon frère qui s'appelle Luc, a six ans et il a les cheveux marron et les yeux bruns. Finalement il y a mes sœurs - elles ont les cheveux roux et longs aussi.

- 1. How many people are in Jean's family?
- 2. Who has the same hair?
- 3. True or false Luc has green eyes.
- 4. Who do you think Jean is in the picture?

#### 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.

<u>Years 8 & 9 French Club</u> every Tuesday at 3.20pm in LA1.

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

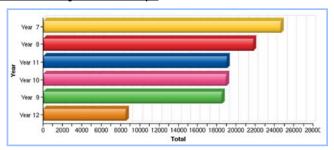
# **Coming Up**

- Friday 2nd & Saturday 3rd May Duke of Edinburgh's Bronze Practice Expedition
- Saturday 3rd May 9.00am to 11.30am SJP PTA Bedding Plant Sale
- Monday 5th May Bank Holiday Monday, College closed
- Wednesday 7th Friday 9th May Year 9
  Experience
- Friday 9th & Saturday 10th May Duke of Edinburgh's Bronze Expedition
- Tuesday 13th May 7.00pm PTA meeting in the College Staff Room

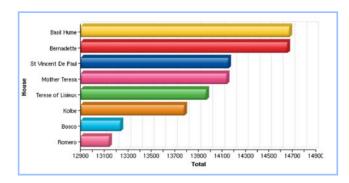
#### **VIVO Rewards**

Following the successful launch of Vivo Rewards in February, it is clear from the chart below that every Year Group is benefiting from the system.

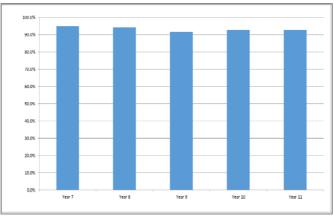
Rewards by Year Group:



If you have not yet logged on or have misplaced your password, please see your Form Tutor. Please remember that our online shop has money off vouchers for our end of year celebrations for Years 11 and 13. We also have our 'Skip the lunch queue ticket' for 35 Vivo points and you can also donate some of your Vivo points to our College charities. Look out for extra points available during revision sessions.



#### Attendance - 7/4/14 - 11/4/14



Year 7 - 94.9% Year 8 - 94.4% Year 9 - 91.5% Year 10 - 92.7% Year 11 - 92.7%

#### **Parliament Visit**

Two Year 12 students gave politicians 'food for thought' at a meeting in Parliament on the issue



of Global Hunger. Sarah Dooley and Divine Abraham met MPs and Peers at a national event in Parliament on Wednesday 26th March. The event was organised by Catholic charity CAFOD as part of its Hungry for Change campaign - calling on the Prime Minister to provide greater support to smallscale farmers who are being hit first and worst by the effects of climate change.

Sarah said: "The experience has been a once in a lifetime trip in which I have been given the opportunity to give a voice to the voiceless. I asked about the increasing number of food banks within the UK as I feel strongly for fighting poverty within the UK as well as abroad. I felt we needed MPs to know about the growing concern for people within our area."

Sarah and Divine were two of thirty-four students from across the country who toured the Houses of Parliament, watched Prime Minister's Questions and had a private audience with the Speaker of the House of Commons. Before visiting Parliament, the group took part in workshops to learn about how campaigning can make a difference to the decisions taken in Parliament.

CAFOD's *Hungry for Change* campaign calls for major changes in the global food system so that it benefits everyone. To find out more about the campaign and see CAFOD's demands for Prime Minister David Cameron to take action on global hunger, visit www.cafod.org.uk/hungry.

#### **Wirral Food Bank**

The SJP community donated 143 kilos of food for the Wirral Food Bank. It was gratefully received foodba in the run up to Easter as the charity's stock was very low.



We would like to thank everyone for participating in this much needed cause.

You can still donate non-perishable food items direct to Wirral Foodbank (Unit 14 Wirral Business Centre, Dock Road, Birkenhead CH41 1JW) or at any One Stop Shop or Wirral Library.

### **Catering Exams**

Well done to all of our Year 10 and 11 Catering pupils who recently completed their practical cooking exams.

The quality of the dishes produced was likened to restaurant standard and could easily have given any chef a run for their money. Keep up the good work!





### **Easter Egg Hunt**

Before our Easter break, 50 Year 7 pupils took part in an Easter Egg hunt in an effort to raise money for Street Child Africa.

All pupils managed to find an egg. One lucky winner found a aolden eaa which contained a £5 'Love to Shop' voucher.



£50 was raised for Street Child Africa.

Well done to all pupils that took part.

# Food Revolution Day 2014

International Food Revolution Day is fast approaching and will take place on Friday 16th May 2014.

Watch this space for SJP's exciting plan to celebrate good food and cooking in our College community.



### **Literacy Corner**

#### **Full Stop Fiasco!**

The passage below is missing all the full stops that it needs to make it grammatically correct. Can you put them back in?

There are TEN to add in.

During the Easter holidays I was lucky enough to visit France the weather was fairly good but at times it felt cold I saw a range of exciting tourist attractions the best was the Eiffel Tower I queued

for over two hours just to get a chance to climb to the top the views were spectacular this particular day the weather was warm with clear blue skies all the tourists could see for miles what a lucky person I was to be in Paris on such a beautiful day this was a trip I would never forget



#### **Maths Corner**

# Rabbits and Chickens

A Maths Starter of The Day





A farmer has some rabbits and chickens. Altogether they have 64 heads and 200 feet. How many rabbits and chickens are there?

Here is one solution to the maths puzzle from the last newsletter:

# Weekly Theme - 'Yes No Maybe'

John 20:19-31

On the evening of the first day of the week, when the disciples were together Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord. Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you." And with that He breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive anyone's sins, their sins are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven."

Thomas, one of the twelve, was not with the disciples when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord!" But he said to them, "Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe."

A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them. Though the doors were locked, Jesus came and said, "Peace be with you!" Then He said to Thomas, "Put your finger here; see my hands.

Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe." Thomas said to him, "My Lord and my God!" Then Jesus told him, "Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

There are times that we have doubts in our faith. The Gospel tells the story of doubting Thomas. Thomas was vocal in his doubts. He doubted the other disciples. He doubted himself. And he doubted Jesus. This changed when he saw Jesus. Pictures will often show Jesus inviting Thomas to put his hands on the marks of the nails on Jesus' hands and touching the Lord's side.

#### **Prayer**

Heavenly Father, God of mercy, we do not look for Jesus among the dead, for He is alive.

Increase our faith that we may believe without looking for evidence.

May our faith and Trust grow everyday. Amen.

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