



**St John Plessington Catholic College**

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# Newsletter

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## Duke of Edinburgh's Awards Evening

Our Duke of Edinburgh's Award 2015 programme started with another fantastic awards evening, with special guest James Sutton. During the evening, we celebrated the achievements of 112 of our pupils by awarding them with this highly prestigious award at Bronze, Silver and Gold level. This was the second awards evening of this academic year with the number of pupils achieving the award at the College at an all-time high. Since September we have awarded 187 Bronze, 58 Silver and 2 Gold Awards. This is a testament to the commitment and enthusiasm our pupils show towards this challenging yet invaluable award.

The Duke of Edinburgh's Award is not easy at any level. It is a challenge, one to which all of our pupils not only attempted but accomplished.

It is wonderful to hear of the many stories our pupils have about their expedition as these indicate that the Duke of Edinburgh's Award is a real experience with memories that will last beyond their time at school.

Well done to all of our pupils who have achieved their awards, they are fully deserved!





## Year 9 & 12 Industry Day

On Wednesday, 14th January 2015, we held our annual SJP Industry Day for our pupils and students in Year 9 and Year 12. This day was arranged as a Careers Fair where pupils were able to talk directly to a wide variety of organisations to see what career routes they offered and what skills and qualifications are required.

We had thirty different companies, universities and representatives from the armed forces spend the full day giving advice and information to our pupils and students.

Year 9 were also provided with independent careers advice to help them with their options selection at the KS4 Information Evening to be held on Wednesday 28th January.



## Year 10 Football

On Thursday last week, the Year 10 Football Team advanced into the 4th Round of the Cheshire Cup with a fantastic 2-1 win over Whitby High School. This is the most advanced any year group from SJP has ever been in this competition so the 4th Round draw is eagerly awaited.

A goal from John Adediran and a man of the match performance from Jordon-Lee Major ensured a safe passage to Round 4.

## Year 12 Work Experience

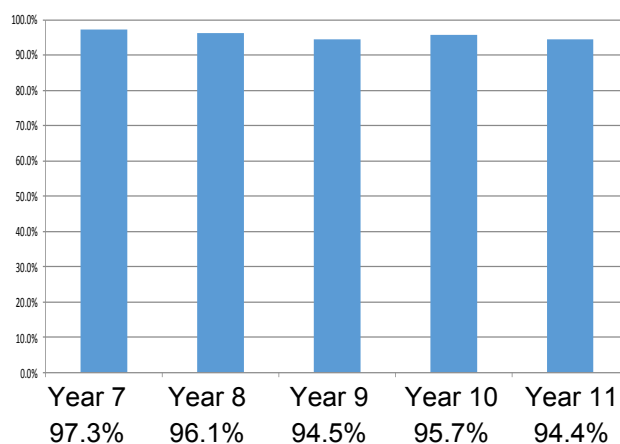
Important Reminder - All Year 12 placement forms for Work Experience need to be handed in by 30th January in order for the necessary health and safety checks to be completed.

Please contact Ms McMahon at the College if you require any assistance.

## Coming Up

<b>19 Jan</b>	<b>Oxbridge Workshop</b>
<b>21 Jan</b>	<b>University of Liverpool Library</b>
<b>21 - 23 Jan</b>	<b>Conway Residential Yr 7</b>
<b>28 Jan</b>	<b>Yr 9 KS4 Information Evening</b>
<b>30 Jan</b>	<b>Yr 7 Enterprise Day</b>
<b>2 Feb</b>	<b>Holocaust Memorial</b>
<b>5 Feb</b>	<b>Yr 11 Sixth Form Information Evening</b>

## Attendance 01/09/14 - 16/01/14



## Design & Technology

# Young Innovator of the Year

Design a robot - win cash prizes!

### To enter the competition:

What could robots do for us in the future?

Robots currently produce cars, help in the home and support farmers in the field.

#### But what else could they do?

That's what we want to know and the winning idea gets

**£500 cash!**

If you want to know more about this competition and to enter, please see Mr Power or Mrs Thompson from Design and Technology in Room DT2.

The Young Innovator is open to ages 11-19. Visit <http://www.harper-adams.ac.uk/engineering/innovator/>



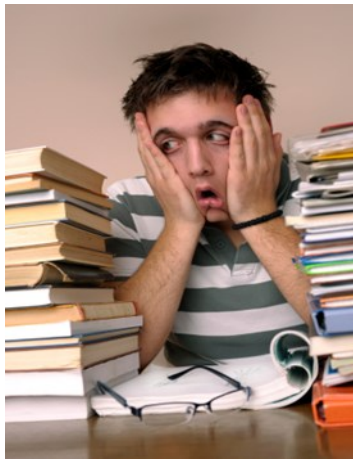
## A-Level Science Revision/Support Sessions

For additional support and revision for AS and A2 Science courses, the following sessions are available after school from 3.20pm - 4.20pm.

Date	Subject	Staff/Room
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> January	AS Biology	Mrs Howarth/S6
	AS Chemistry	Mr Lysaght /S12
	A2 Chemistry	Dr McNeill/S14
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> January	AS/A2 Physics	Mr Gettel/S9
Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> January	AS/A2 Biology	Miss Kemp/S5
	AS Chemistry	Mr Lysaght/S12
	A2 Chemistry	Dr McNeill/S14
Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> January	AS/A2 Physics	Mr Gettel/S9
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> February	AS/A2 Biology	Mrs Garland/S2
	AS Chemistry	Mr Lysaght/S12
	A2 Chemistry	Dr McNeill/S14
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> February	AS/A2 Physics	Mr Gettel/S9
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> February	AS Biology	Mrs Howarth/S6
	AS Chemistry	Mr Lysaght/S12
	A2 Chemistry	Dr McNeill/S14
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> February	AS/A2 Physics	Mr Gettel/S9

## Language Corner

Me llamo Miguel y no me gusta nada mi horario. Tengo una clase de matemáticas a las siete de las mañana hasta las diez. Luego, estudio inglés hasta la una. No tenemos una hora de comer en nuestro colegio y siempre tengo hambre. Las clases terminan a las seis menos veinte y tengo que andar dos horas para llegar a casa. ¡Qué desastre!



***How long is Miguel's maths lesson?***

***What time does school finish for Miguel?***

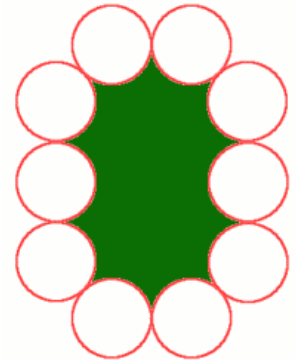
***Give the correct answer to Miss Gaffney***

***for 5 Vivos!***

## Maths Corner

### Holly

The ten arcs forming the edges of this "holly leaf" are all arcs of circles of radius 1 cm. At all the spiky points the circles touch each other tangentially. All the straight lines join the centres of the circles they pass through and the four triangles at the corners have angles of 45, 45 and 90 degrees.



Find the length of the perimeter of the holly leaf and the area of its surface.

This is a 10 spike holly leaf. What is the perimeter of a 16 spike holly leaf of the same sort?

### Answer to last week's Maths Corner



36 men, 12 women

## Weekly Theme - Disciple-

*John 1: 35-42*

The next day John was there again with two of his followers. When he saw Jesus walking by, he said, "Look, the Lamb of God!"

The two followers heard John say this, so they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following him, he asked, "What are you looking for?"

They said, "Rabbi, where are you staying?" ("Rabbi" means "Teacher.")

He answered, "Come and see." So the two men went with Jesus and saw where he was staying and stayed there with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon.

One of the two men who followed Jesus after they heard John speak about him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. The first thing Andrew did was to find his brother Simon and say to him, "We have found the Messiah." ("Messiah" means "Christ.")

Then Andrew took Simon to Jesus. Jesus looked at him and said, "You are Simon son of John. You will be called Cephas." ("Cephas" means "Rock.")

During our lives, we can all, I am sure, remember people who have pointed something out to us. It might be something amazing like how to do something that we have been trying to do for a long time by ourselves. It could be an interesting fact or piece of information that we have been looking for.

In today's Gospel, John the Baptist points out Jesus to others. He calls him, "The Lamb of God". This was John's purpose in life.

As disciples of Jesus in our world today, there is nothing greater that any of us can do in our lives than point out Jesus to others in our society today.

### Prayer

**May you meet God  
in every place,  
in every person  
and in the depths of your  
own heart.**

**Amen**

