



St John Plessington Catholic College

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Newsletter

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Year 7 & 10 Reach Wirral Cup Final

Congratulations, to the Year 7 and Year 10 Football Teams who beat Bebington Sports College 6 -1 and Calday Grammar School 2 -1, respectively, in the Semi-Finals of the Wirral Cup.

The Year 7 team, captained by Henry Willet, performed really well in the first half against a strong wind and a spirited Bebington side. Although Bebington scored first, SJP managed to equalise just before half time. The second half was a very different game as the SJP team overpowered the Bebington side finishing the game 6 -1 winners.

The Year 10 team had a hard-fought battle which went to extra time. Goals from John Adediran and Josh Pointon secured the victory and sent the Year 10 team through to their second final in two years. Man of the Match was John Adediran for his excellent performance and his 1 goal and 1 assist tally within the game. A special mention to Adam Don who kept the team in the game with a penalty save midway through the second half.

Well done to all boys, good luck in the final!



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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, don't forget 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 few weeks.



Art News - The Singh Twins

Art News - Locally based but internationally renowned artist sisters 'The Singh Twins' recently visited SJP to deliver a presentation about their work to our Year 10 GCSE group. They will be returning to school later this term to conduct two practical follow up workshops. The focus will be on our pupils' personal responses to artwork in the permanent collection of the Lady Lever Art Gallery. The outcomes of the project will be exhibited at the Lady Lever Gallery at a date to be arranged next year.

Exhibition News - The Art department will be exhibiting a wide variety of GCSE and A Level work at a public exhibition space housed in the 'Momentary Art Gallery' premises in New Brighton's 'Marine Point' retail complex. This is near the Morrisons supermarket, and work exploring a wide variety of media and content will be on display to the public 4th - 22 May.

Coming Up

- 5-May AS Spanish Speaking Exams**
- 5-May GCSE Portuguese Speaking Exam**
- 7-May Visiting Artists 'The Singh Twins' Workshop**
- 8-9 May Duke of Edinburgh's Bronze Award Practice Expedition 2**
- 8-May AS French Speaking Exams**

Primary Dance Festival & SJP Dance Show

On Wednesday afternoon last week, seven local primary schools attend the SJP Primary Dance Festival.

The festival took place in our College Hall and was a showcase of the dance skills and choreography that our Year 10 Dance Leaders had been teaching in primary schools over the last 10 weeks.

All the primary pupils had a fabulous afternoon and performed an exciting and energetic dance routine.

Congratulations to the Year 10 Dance Leaders who have been excellent throughout the year and have now completed their Dance Leaders' Award.

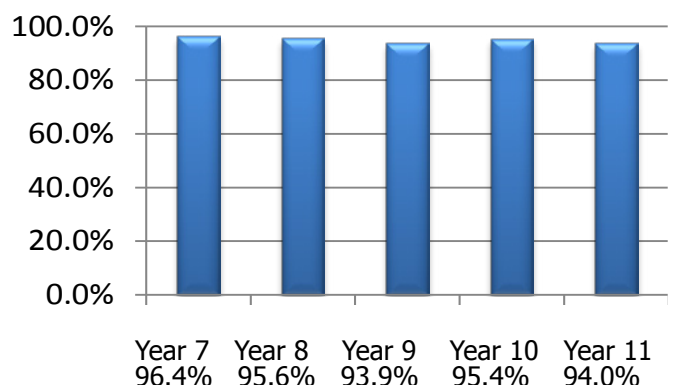


On Tuesday night, it was the annual SJP Dance Show, with this year's theme 'A Night At The Movies'. Over 12 dances were performed from pupils across all year groups and each dance connected with a classic movie of the past.

The audience watched dances from 'Grease', 'Hairspray', 'Billy Elliot' and 'Frozen', to name just a few. Our wonderful dancers were a credit to College and it was a brilliant showcase of the hard work that pupils and staff have put into this show since September.

Well done to all involved!

Attendance 01/09/14 - 01/05/15



A-Level Science

A-Level Science Revision/Support Sessions – LP5

Date	Subject	Staff/Room
Tuesday 28 th April	AS Chemistry A2 Chemistry	Mr Lysaght – S12 Dr McNeill – S14
Wednesday 29 th April	AS Biology	Miss Kemp – S5
Thursday 30 th April	AS/A2 Physics	Mr Gettel/Mr Sheldrake – S9
Tuesday 5 th May	AS Chemistry A2 Chemistry	Mr Lysaght – S12 Dr McNeill – S14
Wednesday 6 th May	AS/A2 Biology	Mrs Howarth – S6
Thursday 7 th May	AS/A2 Physics	Mr Gettel/Mr Sheldrake – S9
Tuesday 12 th May	AS Chemistry A2 Chemistry	Mr Lysaght – S12 Dr McNeill – S14
Wednesday 13 th May	AS/A2 Biology	Mrs Garland – S2
Thursday 14 th May	AS/A2 Physics	Mr Gettel/Mr Sheldrake – S9
Tuesday 19 th May	AS Chemistry A2 Chemistry	Mr Lysaght – S12 Dr McNeill – S14
Wednesday 20 th May	AS Biology	Miss Kemp – S5
Thursday 21 st May	AS/A2 Physics	Mr Gettel/Mr Sheldrake – S9

AS Applied Science every Tuesday with:

Miss Smith (week 1) in S4

Mrs Austin (week 2) in S1

SJP Fixtures

Results from last week

Year 11 Football v Bebington High (Away) - Lost

Year 7 Football v Bebington High (Away) - Won

Year 10 Football v Oldershaw High School - Won

Wednesday - Athletics Meet at the Oval - 2 Gold Medals, 2 Silver Medals, 1 Bronze Medal

This week's fixtures

Wednesday - Year 10 v UAB (Wirral Cup Final) at Prenton Park, 10.00am kick off

Wednesday - Year 7 v Ridgeway High School (Wirral Cup Final) at Prenton Park, 12pm kick off

Literacy Corner

Below are three examples of AMBIGRAMS. These are words which, when viewed from upside down, will make the same word OR a different word entirely.

Can you see what these ambigrams spell out?

Can you design your own example?



Language Corner

Can you try to say some of these Spanish tongue twisters?

"El vino vino, pero el vino no vino vino. El vino vino vinagre."

"Poquito a poquito Paquito empaca poquitas copitas en pocos paquetes."

"Un tubo tiró un tubo y otro tubo lo detuvo. Hay tubos que tienen tubos pero este tubo no tuvo tubo."



Maths Corner

These are the coins commonly used in Britain today

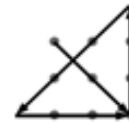


What is the fewest number of coins you need to make

- a) 83p
- b) £1.34
- c) £5.27?

Answer to last week's Maths Corner

You literally have to think outside the box. Here is one solution.



Weekly Theme - Bearing Fruit*

John 15:1-8

"I am the Real Vine and my Father is the Farmer. He cuts off every branch of me that doesn't bear grapes. And every branch that is grape-bearing he prunes back so it will bear even more. You are already pruned back by the message I have spoken.

"Live in me. Make your home in me just as I do in you. In the same way that a branch can't bear grapes by itself but only by being joined to the vine, you can't bear fruit unless you are joined with me.

"I am the Vine, you are the branches. When you're joined with me and I with you, the relation intimate and organic, the harvest is sure to be abundant. Separated, you can't produce a thing. Anyone who separates from me is dead wood, gathered up and thrown on the bonfire. But if you make yourselves at home with me and my words are at home in you, you can be sure that whatever you ask will be listened to and acted upon. This is how my Father shows who he is - when you produce grapes, when you mature as my disciples."



Many of us have issues with our self confidence and struggle to be confident in who we are. This week's Gospel hits home on both points, because it reminds us that in a mystical but real way, we are connected to Jesus; and through that connection, we can discover and develop our talents for changing the world. We can also use that connection to call for help when we feel disconnected and lonely.

The more we stay connected to Jesus who is the vine, the more our relationship with him develops; the more we let him influence the way in which we live our lives, the stronger we become. We must never forget that with Jesus we have the potential to bear much fruit.

Prayer

Today Lord, help us to be people who include rather than exclude.

Amen