

# NEWSLETTER

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## YEAR 8

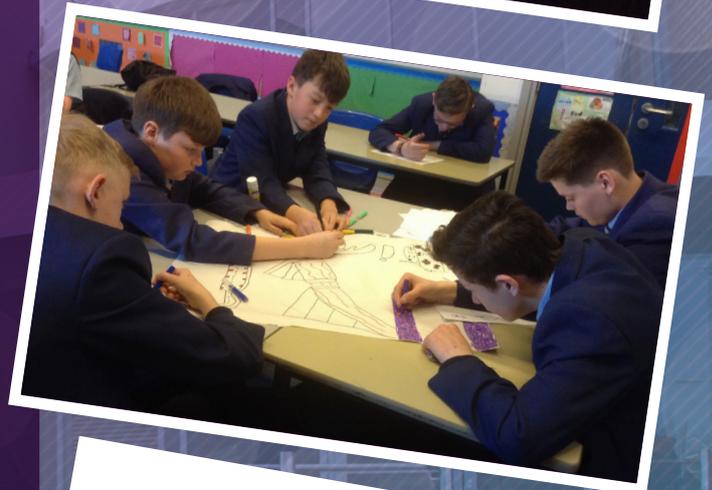
### ENTERPRISE DAY

This week was National Apprenticeship Week and to develop Year 8' employability skills - which organisations are looking for in the world of work all pupils in Year 8 had an exciting enterprise day run by the "National Enterprise Challenge" team. Their task was to develop an outdoor activity for the Kingswood organisation. Throughout the day Year 8 worked in teams to develop a presentation which needed to include:

- YOUR IDEA
- LEARNING OUTCOME
- LOGO
- DESIGN
- CELEBRITY ENDORSEMENT LETTER
- POSTER
- ADVERT
- WHY YOUR TEAM DESERVES TO WIN

Nine teams went through to the final presentation in the hall but the winning team was called Alliance and included Katie Lavelle, Ellie Dinnen, Molly Higgins, Cristina Maszuzzo & Jess Toner.

All pupils who took part will be able to gain recognition for developing their enterprise and employability skills by logging onto [www.makewaves](http://www.makewaves) where they will receive a participation badge and some will receive a special recognition badge.



**The College will be closed Good Friday 25th & Easter Monday 28th March. The College will reopen Tuesday 29th March at 8:35.**

# COMING UP

## This Week - w/c 21/03/16 (Week 2)

**21/03/16**

D of E Silver

**22/03/16**

Yr 8 vaccinations

**23/03/16**

Year 10 & 11 Performing Arts  
Performance exams

**24/03/16**

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Performance exams

Year 12, Rivers Fieldwork

**25/03/16**

College closed for Easter Weekend

## Next Week - w/c 28/03/16 (Week 1)

**28/03/16**

College closed for Easter Weekend

**29/03/16**

PSHE P2

**30/03/16**

Primary Dance Festival

**01/04/16**

Street Child Africa Day

**04/04/16**

Easter Holidays

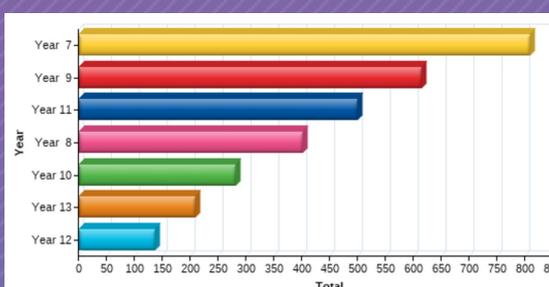
# YOUR FUTURE CAREER EVENT

Wirral Young Chambers hosted a career event at Tranmere Rovers which a number of our Year 11 and Sixth Form attended. The event focus was to inspire, enthuse and motivate students to think about prospective careers, the employment options available to them and make links with local companies. It also formed part of national apprenticeship week to raise the broad range and levels of apprenticeships.

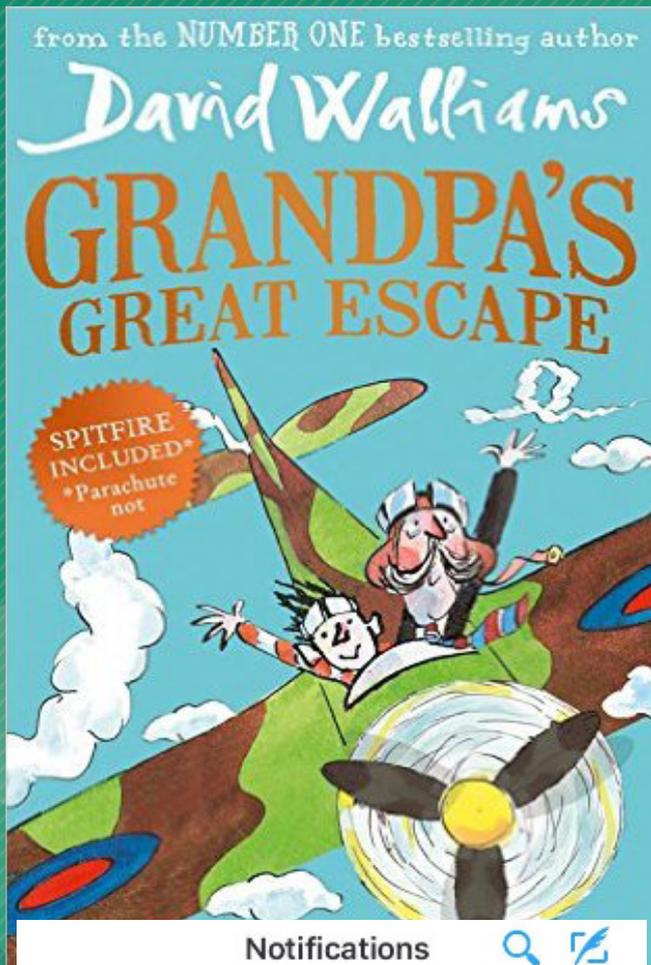


# VIVO REWARDS

## St John Plessington Catholic College



# BOOK OF THE MONTH



## GRANDPA'S GREAT ESCAPE: David Walliams

In his old age Grandpa has become confused. He believes he is back in World War 2 when he was an RAF Spitfire pilot. Only one person can understand him, his grandson Jack. Together, they embark on the adventure of their lives.

This latest blockbuster by best-selling children's author, David Walliams will take you on a rollercoaster ride that will have you on the edge of your seat. A wonderful tale by a comic genius. The whole collection of David Walliams books are on display and available to borrow from the library.

[www.worldofdavidwalliams.com](http://www.worldofdavidwalliams.com) is packed full of information about David, his books, competitions and forthcoming events.

A photo of the display can be viewed on the SJP Twitter account and we were all delighted that the man himself, David Walliams responded to the tweet!



## ROYAL LIVERPOOL PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA

On Thursday 17th March, a group of pupils from Years 7-9 attended a performance given by the Royal Liverpool Philharmonic Orchestra entitled Keeping Traditions.

The concert featured a wide programme of pieces from around the world, by composers including Haydn, Copland and Bartók. Presenter Alasdair Malloy and the orchestra were

also joined by The Unthanks to premiere a new arrangement of the traditional piece 'Frisco Bay.'



# LITERACY CORNER

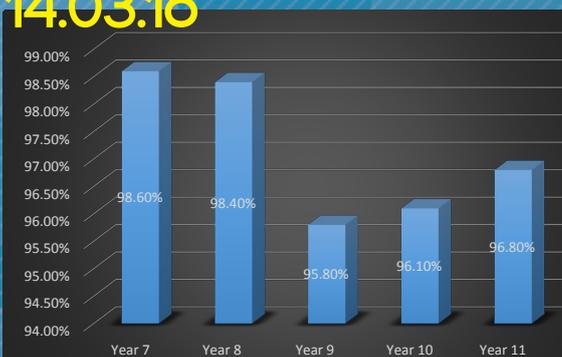
How many words can you find in the grid below?

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D	E	R
Y	S	T
S	U	O

Good luck! Give your answers to Miss Davis. The pupil with the most correct words will win a prize!

# ATTENDANCE

## 14.03.16



# WEEKLY THEME "IF AT FIRST YOU DON'T SUCCEED, TRY, TRY AGAIN"

## John 20:1-10

Early in the morning on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone was moved away from the entrance. She ran at once to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved, breathlessly panting, "They took the Master from the tomb. We don't know where they've put him."

Peter and the other disciple left immediately for the tomb. They ran. The other disciple got to the tomb first, outrunning Peter. Stooping to look in, he saw the pieces of linen cloth lying there, but he didn't go in. Simon Peter arrived after him, entered the tomb, saw the linen cloths lying there, and the cloth used to cover his head not lying with the linen cloths but separate, neatly folded by itself. Then the other disciple, the one who had arrived there first, went into the tomb, took one look at the evidence, and believed. No one yet knew from the Scripture that he had to rise from the dead. The disciples then went back home.

## Easter Matters

Two thousand years ago there were a lot of people who had difficulty with the resurrection of Jesus. It wasn't just the philosophers in Athens who laughed at the

very idea, even some of the disciples who had been with Jesus in Jerusalem during the last week of his life and who may well have seen him nailed to a tree had major problems with it. Execution and death are hard to argue with. So why is it that one billion Christians around the world still gather to mark this event?

Maybe they are all just wishful thinkers who can't face reality or maybe not.

Maybe in fact they are people who, one way or another, are in touch with a living and vibrant tradition of faith in the risen Christ that simply won't go away.

Maybe they are people who in their own lives have been nailed to the cross or been forced to stand by it and who have come through that experience, not broken and embittered, but aware in a very profound and life giving way that God's love never ends.

Jesus did not simply come on earth to die. He came on earth to show us how to live and he was murdered for that. He was murdered for showing that there is always a place for the prodigal at home, for forgiving people who did not deserve to be forgiven, for exposing religious bigotry and intolerance, for rejecting the use of force and the abuse of power.

He was put to death for making a simple connection between our faith and the way we live, for asking us to believe that God's love is always given and never earned. In all of these ways and especially in his death and resurrection he was witnessing to the triumph of love over hatred and of hope over despair.

Easter matters because it is God's yes to the world. In the risen Jesus God affirms all that is good in us and asks us to follow in the steps of his son by working together to build up the Kingdom that Jesus proclaimed, trusting that the Spirit of Jesus is within us empowering us in ways that go beyond what we can imagine.

Living God, present to us and in us, at Easter you spoke your "Yes" to the world and in so doing you gifted us with faith, hope and love.

Deepen our faith, so that we may trust that you are with us in all we do. Strengthen our hope, so that we may continue to walk with you. Enliven our love, so that others may come to know that we are indeed an Easter people and that alleluia is our song. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord.

**Amen**

# LANGUAGE CORNER



## Spotlight on: Venezuela

Venezuela is one of the northern most countries in South America, neighboured with Colombia, Guyana and Brazil. Venezuela is a country with an extremely high biodiversity, with habitats ranging from rainforests, mountains, vast plains and a luscious Caribbean coast. Venezuela also has the world's largest waterfall called The Angel Falls. The waterfalls are more than nineteen times higher than the Niagara Falls!

In addition to the country's rich biodiversity, Venezuela has one of the world's largest oil reserves, making Venezuela a rich country however, this has led to a large gap in wealth between the rich and the poor in Venezuela. The capital city, Caracas is home to one of the world's largest shanty towns.

## Fun Facts

- On Christmas the streets in Caracas are blocked so people can rollerblade to church.
- "The Simpsons" has been banned from T.V. channels because it was thought to be inappropriate for children.
- Venezuela has won more Miss Universes and more Miss Worlds than any other country on the planet.

## What is Venezuela's most popular sport?

The first person to get the correct answer to Miss Gascoigne wins Vivo points!

