St John Plessington Catholic College

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# NEWSLETTER

# Year 7

# Mass of Welcome

On Friday 21st October 2016, two hundred and fifty six, year seven students along with their Form Tutors, College Staff, Parents and Carers, gathered together in St Anne's Church in Rock Ferry to celebrate our Year Seven Mass of Welcome.

The Theme for our Mass, celebrated by Fr. Bernard was, "Going for Gold". It was chosen because of this year's Olympic and Paralympic Games celebrated in Rio de Janerio, during which athletes from all around the world strove to achieve of their best.

Our Year Seven Students, through liturgy, music and movement were encouraged to reflect upon how they could both individually and as a year group achieve their best by "Going for Gold" during their time at SJP, as together we strive as a community to be "Always being Faithful to Christ" by reflecting the gospel values of faith, hope and love, in our world today.

It was an exciting time for our children as they walked together to and from St Anne's Church, while also giving a visible witness of our faith to others in our local community. Well done Year Seven!







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# **Coming** Up

This Week - W/C 07.11.2016 (Week 1)



**GCSE Spanish Controlled** Assessment (Alpha)

Nov PSHE P3 8

DOfE Information Evening Year 9 10 GCSE Spanish Controlled Assessment Speaking (Beta) Oxford Pathways Investigating **Options Day** Year 11 Exam Class Performance of ' Lord of the Flies' YR 11 Alpha GCSE Chemistry / Additional Science ISA

Year 11 Beta GCSE Chemistry / 8 Additional Science - ISA

Next Week - W/C 14.11.2016 (Week 2)

Visit from Sally Robinson (World

Review Day Year 7 & 10

Challenge)

18

**Remembrance Sunday Sunday 17th November** 2017



# **Everyman Theatre** Trip

'The Stage' described the Everyman's latest Shakespearean play as 'Energetic and very funny' and so expectations were high for SIP Year 12 and Year 13 Performing Arts students en route to the Theatre to see 'Two Gentlemen of Verona.' Supposed to be Shakespeare's earliest play, this rarely performed comedy is about coming of age, love, betrayal and friendship. Our day began early with a 'Page to Stage' workshop in the auditorium, during which, the director, Nick Bagnall, justified some of the decisions he had made during the rehearsal process. Two of the actors (Dharmesh Patel and Guy Hughes) performed an extract from Scene 1 and responded to questions, some of which were asked by Joseph Owens from Year 12.

The play itself was indeed, energetic and very funny, helping to tell the story clearly, through music, characterisation and 1960's set, costume and props. The production had an interesting twist on the ending of the play and used a Janis Joplin song to give a voice to the female characters. It was a very enjoyable day, which will undoubtedly help Year 12 and Year 13 as they develop their understanding of Shakespeare and how to approach staging his plays.

China 2016

### **VACANCIES** -FOUNDATION **GOVERNORS AND PARENT GOVERNOR**

Foundation Governors and Parent Governors play a very important role on our Governing Body and are a vital part of our College community and upholding the Catholic Ethos in all aspects of College life. We currently have 2 vacancies for Foundation Governors and 1 vacancy for Parent Governor. If you would like to know more about these important roles, please contact Helen Caul, Clerk to **New Science** Governors at the College.

> Science Enrichment keeps Year 8-11- Silver CREST award projects- projects growing! 63 Pupils arrived to one club last week! that will be running are-Eco-Fairground and Particle Accelerators, but if pupils have a Science idea they want to try out we will support them to get this up and running, just come along and get involved.

### Wednesday 12.30pm in Sc3- Dissection Club- the heart

All years welcome, will last around 30minspupils can come for part or all of it. 63 pupils arrived last week, so it was continued on the Thursday. Come early so you're not d i s - appointed!

### Wednesday 3.30pm in Sc2- STEM Club- various

Year 7- Who Dunnit? Forensics based mystery club- use Science to solve the crime and gain a Bronze CREST award- lasts for an hour and must come along for the next 14 weeks, pupils will get the opportunity to compete in a national competition.

### The Newsletter is Changing!

SJP's weekly newsletter is now available exclusively on-line, and can be accessed on the College website via www.stjohnplessington.com

You can also subscribe to a digital version of our weekly Newsletter. It's very easy to set this up – select 'SIP News' on the College website's Menu, and press 'SUBSCRIBE'.

You will no longer receive paper copies of the weekly newsletter. If you wish to receive a paper copy of our new monthly Newsletters, please email newsletter@stjohnplessington.com

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**Enrichment Clubs Come and get involved!** 

Thursday 3.30pm Sc2- Science Debate Club

Year 12 and 13- prepare for university interviews by debating current issues in Science. This will run for 1 hour.



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### LITERACY CORNER

How many words can you make out of the word wheel below?

Remember, you can use each letter only once in each word?

Whoever find the most, and gives them to Mrs. Connolly, wins a prize!



# **ATTENDANCE** 31.10.16 - 04.11.16



Since 2013 Michael has been attending regular National Talent Camps in Cardiff and also abroad in Malta and Hungary.

Earlier this year Michael Kelly attended Water Polo trials for two weekends in Northampton and a final trial weekend in Manchester. During this time the Boy's '99 squad was being cut from 36 to 15.

Michael has now been selected for the England/Great Britain Squad for Boys born in 1999 as part of their training programme in the run up to the European Championships in 18 months time.

This will involve him attending regular National Talent Training Camps with a view to playing for Great Britain Junior Men's in the European Championships in 2018. Michael will also be attending training camps in Germany, The Netherlands, Hungary and Malta as well as other International Competitions.

His home club is Bridgefield WPC (who he plays for in Men's British Water Polo League) - he will also be representing Sedgefield WPC from the North East in the National ASA Water Polo Championships for boys born 1999 in early 2017.



### WEEKLY THEME "BELONGING TO GOD'S FAMILY"

### Luke 20:27-38

Some Sadducees, who believed people would not rise from the dead, came to Jesus. They asked, "Teacher, Moses wrote that if a man's brother dies and leaves a wife but no children, then that man must marry the widow and have children for his brother. Once there were seven brothers. The first brother married and died, but had no children. Then the second brother married the widow, and he died. And the third brother married the widow, and he died. The same thing happened with all seven brothers; they died and had no children. Finally, the woman died also. Since all seven brothers had married her, whose wife will she be when people rise from the dead?"

Jesus said to them, "On earth, people marry and are given to someone to marry. But those who will be worthy to be raised from the dead and live again will not marry, nor will they be given to someone to marry. In that life they are like angels and cannot die. They are children of God, because they have been raised from the dead. Even Moses clearly showed that the dead are raised to life. When he wrote about the burning bush, he said that the Lord is 'the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.' God is the God of the living, not the dead, because all people are alive to him." The whole of the human race is one family. This was made clear when Jesus asked us to call God "Abba" a word which means "Daddy" or "Father". This family, with God at its head, is absolutely vast, including not only those who live on planet earth at this moment in time but all those humans who have ever lived – to whom, of course, in some way or other, we are all related. In the Catholic tradition we call this the "Communion of Saints" which explains why holy people of the past (saints)are asked to speak to God for us. We also pray for those who have died as well.

### Next Sunday 13th November we will celebrate Remembrance Sunday.

This week we pray particular of all those who have lost their lives in the service of our country. We pray also for their families, as well as for those who lives have been changed as a result of injury whilst serving their country in the armed forces.

### Prayer

Father of the human family you created our planet and each of us to give you glory and praise. May we support and help each other as we learn to love and

May we support and help each other as we learn to love and praise you.

Amen

# SIXTH FORM SUPPORT SESSIONS

# YEAR 12

After School		
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesda
	History	Geography
	Computer Science	Maths
	ICT BTEC	Computer Scie
	<b>Business Studies</b>	ICT BTEC
	Music	Business Stud
	Sociology	Chemistry
	Media	Health & Soc
	Philosophy & Ethics	
	Physics	
	Product Design/Textiles	5
	Art	
		Product Design/1
	*P.	E. bookable by appoin
Lunch Time		
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesda
P.E.		
Geography	Geography	Geography

## YEAR 13

After School				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	Eng Comb	Phil/Ethics	Art	PE
	Eng Lit	Chemistry	Biology	Phil/Ethics
	Physics	Spanish	Applied Science	
	Business	Business	Business	
	ICT	ICT	ICT	
		Art	Sociology	
	Geography /WD	Maths	Media	
	Psychology	Geography/WD	Geography/WD	Geography/WD
	DT PD/Textiles	DT PD/Textiles	DT PD/Textiles	DT PD/Textiles by app
	Perf Arts		Health & Social	
			History	
Lunch Time				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
PE				
Perf Arts	Perf Arts	Perf Arts	Perf Arts	Perf Arts

ay	Thursday	Friday			
у	Geography				
	Computer Science				
ence	ICT BTEC				
•	<b>Business Studies</b>				
dies	Psychology				
у	Applied Science				
cial	Biology				
Textiles	Product Design/Textiles	Product Design/Textiles by appt			
	Art				
ntment any evening					
lay	Thursday	Friday			
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