



St John Plessington Catholic College



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NEWSLETTER

Coming Up

This Week - W/C 06.02.2017 (Week 1)

Feb 07 Cambridge University Interview Talk

Feb 09 Year 9 Info Evening
Cambridge University Workshop

Feb 10 PSHE P2

Next Week - W/C 13.2.2017 (Week 2)

Feb 13 Yr 11 Alpha and Beta GCSE Physics ISA

Feb 14 Valentines Cake Bake

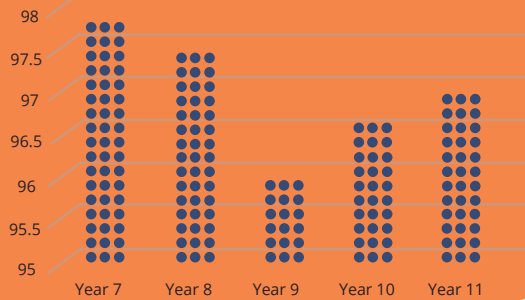
Feb 15 Paris Trip

Feb 16 Paris Trip
Meeting Wirral Chambers

Feb 17 Paris Trip
6th Form Conference
Visit to Wirral Tennis Centre to watch the Aegon Pro Series International Tennis Tournament
Year 7 Valentines Disco

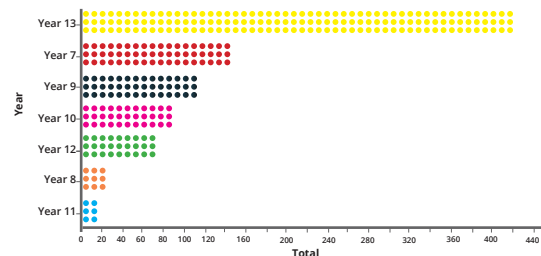
ATTENDANCE

30.1.17 - 3.2.17



VIVO REWARDS

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Lowry Trip

"Nothing short of a triumph", "Dazzlingly inventive...a beautiful, eloquent show", "Funny and extremely moving". Not only has The Curious Incident Of The Dog In The Night-Time received fantastic reviews, it also won five TONY Awards in 2015, including Best Play, Best Actor and Best Director. Last week, 44 SJP students and staff were lucky enough to catch a matinee performance of 'Curious' at the Lowry Theatre, Salford Quays. We travelled by coach to Salford and were immediately impressed by the location.

Surrounded by TV studios and eye-catching architecture, The Lowry is a welcoming and creative space, which attracts a range of companies and artists. The play did not disappoint. It tells the story of Christopher Francis Boone, a boy with autism, who spends the first act investigating the death of his neighbour's dog and the second act travelling by train to London. It is based upon the best-selling novel by Mark Haddon and was adapted for the stage by playwright, Simon Stephens. As well as brilliant acting, script and direction, the technical elements are a massive part of the show and help to give an insight into the mind and condition of Christopher.

Everyone on the trip seemed to really enjoy the play and spoke of it positively on the coach journey home. Comments included "Awesome!", "Absolutely amazing", "Breath-taking", "I liked the Maths equations", "The staging was a cool", "I loved the use of lights and music during the performance" and "It was very funny and they were really good actors." There was also a lot of discussion about Sandy, the "cute" and "adorable" dog. It is worth noting that Lowry theatre staff were very impressed by SJP students and commented on how well everyone had behaved. Well done to all who came along!



Conway 2017

At the end of January, Year 7 pupils braved the cold to attend the Conway Outdoor Education Centre in Anglesey for their First Steps SJP Experience. We arrived after a coach journey round the picturesque coastline of North Wales to our base, set in beautiful countryside. After lunch it was straight out to our activities. Throughout our stay, pupils enjoyed taking part in canoeing, kayaking, raft building, zipline, climbing wall, mountain biking, bush craft, high ropes, via ferretta, and abseil. In our evening free time we enjoyed a movie night and a disco. The pupils thoroughly enjoyed their stay, having overcome their fears, developed their teamwork and leadership skills and created memories that will last a lifetime.

- Quotes from the pupils:
- Rock climbing helped me overcome my fear of heights.
 - Zipline was very, very, very, very, very, very VERY fun!
 - Awesome!
 - Helped build teamwork.
 - We enjoyed splashing our team mates when we were building our rafts.

'Remarkable and outstanding', 'Conway helps you conquer fears', 'Try hard and never give up', 'Don't give up', 'Adventurous activities', 'Experience of a lifetime', 'Try what you can't'.
The form said their favourite part of Conway was the disco because of the music and they got to chill with their friends.



Come to our School Direct Open Morning on Thursday 2nd March 9.00 - 11.30am

Train to teach at SJP through School Direct – the school-based teacher training programme.

Can you define these words and then use them correctly in sentences?

- a) Tumultuous
- b) Frivolous
- c) Abysmal
- d) Quintessential

[illegible]

WORLD BOOK DAY 2017



Thanks to National Book Tokens and lots of lovely book publishers and booksellers, World Book Day, in partnership with schools all over the country, will be distributing more than 14 million £1 World Book Day book tokens to children (that's almost one for every child/young person under 18 in the UK and Ireland).

When you get your book token, all you need to do is to take it to your local bookshop - there's lots of them out there – find your local participating bookshop here and swap it for one of these ten (exclusive, new and completely free) £1 World Book Day books! Or, if you'd prefer, you can use your book token to get £1 off any full price book instead! If you'd rather get an audio book, that's fine too!

So that's £1 off any book or audio book, it's your choice, just as long as it would normally cost at least £2.99.

Then all YOU have to do is take your book home and enjoy it.



WEEKLY THEME “BEING A GOOD EXAMPLE”

"You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its salty taste, it cannot be made salty again. It is good for nothing, except to be thrown out and walked on.
"You are the light that gives light to the world. A city that is built on a hill cannot be hidden. And people don't hide a light under a bowl. They put it on a lamp stand so the light shines for all the people in the house. In the same way, you should be a light for other people. Live so that they will see the good things you do and will praise your Father in heaven."

When Jesus tells His disciples, “You are the salt of the earth.” He wasn’t speaking about that white stuff in a shaker on the table. He was speaking about wisdom. In Roman times salt was associated with being rich. Slaves were often purchased for salt. The expression, “He’s not worth his salt,” is based on this.

When Jesus speaks about salt, He is speaking about something that gives us value. And what gives us value is that which we have received from God. That is wisdom. This wisdom, this salt, is a new way of life, far different from the values of the world.

The values of the world are selfishness. "Life revolves around me," the world says. "Take care of number one," the world teaches. But this false wisdom, leads only to frustration, fear and despair, that you have wasted your time.

"You are the light of the world," Jesus tells us. Our light must shine as an example to others. We have a responsibility to others. We have been given the wisdom of God. We have a responsibility to let them experience this wisdom, we need to care for others. Our light should shine by being a good example to those who are around us, all we have to do is to have the courage to follow the example given to us by Jesus in the way in which he lived his life.

Father, watch over us, for we are your family.
Keep us safe from harm.
May no action or thought of our hurt others; for you
love each of them, as you love us.
Amen.

SIXTH FORM SUPPORT SESSIONS

YEAR 12

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	History	Geography	Geography	
	Computer Science	Maths	Computer Science	
	ICT BTEC	Computer Science	ICT BTEC	
	Business Studies	ICT BTEC	Business Studies	
	Music	Business Studies	Psychology	
	Sociology	Chemistry	Applied Science	
	Media	Health & Social	Biology	
	Philosophy & Ethics			
	Physics			
	Product Design/Textiles			
	Art			
		Product Design/Textiles	Product Design/Textiles	Product Design/Textiles by appt
			Art	
	*PE bookable by appointment any evening			

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
PE				
Geography	Geography	Geography	Geography	

YEAR 13

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	Eng Comb	Biology	Art	PE
	Eng Lit	Spanish	Chemistry	Philosophy & Ethics
	Physics	Maths	Applied Science	Health and Social
	Business Studies	Business Studies	Business Studies	
	ICT	ICT	ICT	
	Art		Sociology	
	Geography /WD		History	
	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	
			Further Maths (x2 pupils)	

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
PE				
Perf Arts	Perf Arts	Perf Arts	Perf Arts	Perf Arts