

NEWSLETTER

### **COMING UP**

This Week - 12.2.18

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Manchester University Trip Mardi Gras

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Paris Trip 2018

Ash Wednesday Liturgies Language Taster Day, Uni of Liverpool

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Liverpool University Talk. How to become a vet. Paris Trip 2018

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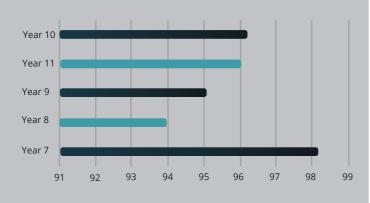
SJP will close for Half Term on Friday 16th February. Our new term begins on Tuesday 27th February, when pupils should gather on the yard as normal.

## RECYCLING **PROJECT**

The Rotary Club of Bebington is collecting used print cartridges and unwanted mobile phones for recycling, A company is offering a worthwhile return on these with the proceeds going to local charities. Many schools in Wirral are taking part successfully in the project. Rather than throwing these items away, please bring them to reception where they will be collected and passed on. Thank you very much.

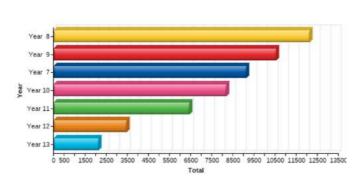


## **ATTENDANCE** 5.2.18 - 9.2.18



## **VIVO REWARDS**

St John Plessington Catholic College



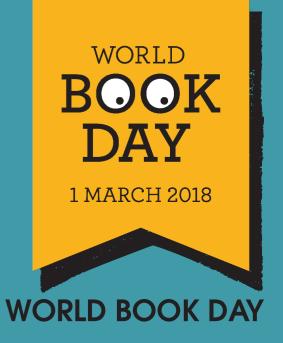
## Y9 UNIVERSITY OF LIVERPOOL **ITALIAN TASTER DAY**

On Wednesday 7th February 19 Year 9 students embarked on an Italian Taster Day at The University of Liverpool. The day began with an introduction to studying languages at university and to Italian culture. This session culminated in a competitive game of Kahoot! against the other Merseyside schools taking part in the day. One of our teams came a close second in the first round of the competition but were delighted to come first overall at the end of the day! The next session involved watching clips of subtitled Italian films which served as an introduction to the Italian language and pronunciation. The students were surprised by how much they could understand by using their knowledge of Spanish and English cognates.

Following our complimentary lunch in the university's Language Lounge, we were taken to a computer suite for an introduction to interpreting workshop. First of all, the students had to listen to recordings of vocabulary and record themselves repeating it back to practise their Italian pronunciation. Next, they had to act as an interpreter in an Italian restaurant and translate both the Italian and English sentences they were given. The second year university student volunteers told our pupils that they had also completed the same exercises and they were impressed with how they were coping with the difficulty.

It was a great day for all involved and opened our students' eyes to the opportunities available to them when learning languages and studying at university. We received a letter of thanks from the Italian department which states, "We were very impressed by the interested and mature behaviour of your students at such a young age." Bravo anno 9!





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).

#### How to use your £1 book token.

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 http://www.worldbookday. com/books/participating-stores 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.

The World Book Day Book Tokens are valid from Monday 27 February–Sunday 29th March 2018.

### HAVE YOU EVER CONSIDERED A CAREER IN TEACHING?

School Direct is a one-year, full time teacher training programme. At SJP, all School Direct Associate Teachers (ATs) are allocated a dedicated subject mentor, and guided by specialist tutors. At the end of the year, successful ATs will qualify with QTS and PGCE, which is accredited by the University of Chester.

#### What are the entry requirements?

- UK university degree 2:1 or above (2:2 for Maths, Physics, Chemistry, MFL) or a recognised equivalent qualification - we also accept applications from final year students due to graduate in 2018
- Grade C or above in GCSE **English and Mathematics** (Science for Primary)
- At least two full days of school observation You will be required to undergo an enhanced DBS check to observe classes taking place, to verify your suitability to work with young people

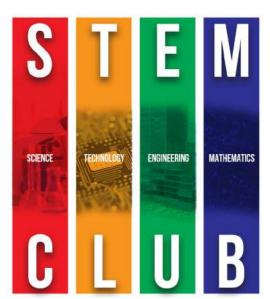
#### What subjects do we offer?

We currently offer teacher training for Biology, Business Studies, Chemistry, Computer Science, DT, Drama, English, Geography, History, Maths, Media, Modern Foreign Languages, PE, Physics, Primary, RE and Social Sciences.

In addition, our School Experience Programme offers the opportunity to spend a day or two at SJP in your subject department. You will be able engage with pupils, and speak to subject staff and the School Direct ATs who are currently training with us.

If you would like to know more about School Direct or our School Experience Programme please contact Helen Ruscoe, Teaching School and Marketing Manager, enquiries@siptsa.com or 0151 645 5049.

TEACHING



The Science department have worked hard this year to bring some fantastic extracurricular opportunities to all years at SJP. From Forensics with Miss Noone and Miss Eden to testing what effect alcohol has on the organs of the body with Miss Hulley, improving your football skills with Science with Miss Trayner, learning how to care for animals in the Young Vets club with Miss Walton, building bridges using 3D printing with Miss Moore or making a robot using pneumatics with Mr Chatwin - there is something for everyone on offer! Come and get involved.

Participation in STEM Clubs has been shown to raise attainment at GCSE by a whole grade, plus it's fun!

You can also come along to STEM Lite Bite on a Wednesday lunchtime in Sc1 at 12.30-12.45pm to see some gruesome dissections!

## **LITERACY CORNER!**

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ATMOSPHERE BAROMETER BREEZE **CIRRUS** CLIMATE CONDENSATION CUMULUS EVAPORATION FOG HUMIDITY

HURRICANE INSOLATION ISOBAR LIGHTNING PRECIPITATION TEMPERATURE THUNDERSTORM TORNADO TROPOSPHERE VAPOR WEATHER

#### AFTER SCHOOL SUPPORT TIMETABLE

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	History	Maths	Psychology	DT
	Physics	Biology	Chemistry	Spanish
	Applied Science	Music	Geography	
	Sociology	Geography	Health & Social	
	DT	DT	DT	
	Art	Philosophy & Ethics	Art	
	ICT (PL)	ICT (DEK, AF1, PL)	Media	
	English	Business (KMP/HLL)	Business (NH)	
		Computing \ (DEK/AF1)	English	



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## Thought for the week

Week Commencing 12th February 2018

"Responsibilities are given to the person on whom trust rests. Responsibility is always a sign of trust."

James Cash Penney



An authentic faith - which is never comfortable or completely personal - always involves a deep desire to change the world, to transmit values, to leave this earth somehow better that we found it.

Father, you have given all peoples one common origin. It is your will that they be gathered together as one family in yourself. Fill the hearts of mankind with the fire of your love and with the desire to ensure justice for all.

By sharing the good things you give us, may we secure equality for all our brothers and sisters throughout the world. May there be an end to division, strife and war.

May there be a dawning of a truly human society built on love and peace. We ask this in the name of Jesus, our Lord. Amen

> St John Plessington Pray for us

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