



St John Plessington Catholic College



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IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR PARENTS & PUPILS
School will be closed to all pupils on
Monday 11 December 2017
due to Staff Development Day.

NEWSLETTER

COMING UP

This Week - 4.12.17

04 Dec	LIPA Theatre in Education Performances for Year 9
05 Dec	
06 Dec	PSHE P3 LIPA Theatre in Education Performances for Year 9
07 Dec	Y12 Parents' Evening
08 Dec	Performance of Punk Rock and DNA Christmas Cake Bake-break time

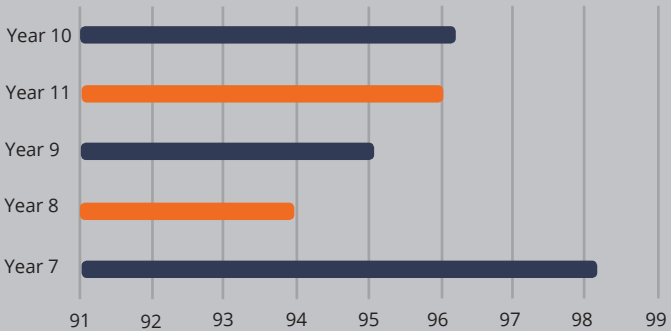
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Next Week - 11.12.17

11 Dec	SDD2
12 Dec	Y7 A Panto at Floral Pavillion 1.30pm
13 Dec	Y7 B Panto at Floral Pavillion 1.30pm
14 Dec	
15 Dec	Christmas Cake Bake-break time Media and Film London Trip

ATTENDANCE

27.11.17 - 01.12.17



HERE COMES CHRISTMAS

This year's Here Comes Christmas! was a huge success. Staff, pupils and the college community all came together to enjoy pre-Christmas festivities, and over £7000 was raised. Thank you to all pupils who entered into the spirit of the occasion, and many thanks to the staff and Sixth Formers who worked tirelessly on the stalls.

Your efforts and hard work made a great contribution to the success of the day.

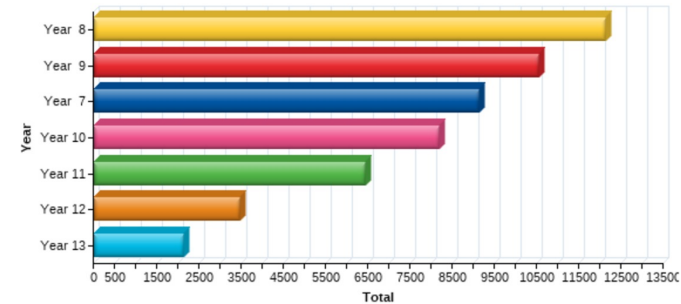


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NO VACANCY

NO ROOM AT THE INN

TUESDAY 19TH DECEMBER
WEDNESDAY 20TH DECEMBER
DOORS OPEN
6.00 PM

DUE TO THE NATURE OF THE NATIVITY, SOME SCENES WILL TAKE PLACE OUTSIDE, THEREFORE PLEASE WRAP UP!

#GODISNOWHERE



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 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 to observe classes taking place, 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, enquiries@sjpsa.com or 0151 645 5049.

TEACHING
YOUR FUTURE | THEIR FUTURE

THE STORY OF 'BRITISH MUSIC'

On Thursday 30th November our Year 12 Music Technology students took part in a trip to visit the British Music Experience at the Cunard Building in Liverpool to help further and develop their knowledge of the historical and cultural influences of popular music. The exhibition displayed some fantastic artefacts and outfits worn by legendary artists ranging in genre from Freddie Mercury, David Bowie and Dusty Springfield to the Spice Girls, Adam Ant and X Factor finalists and musical instruments played by some of the world's most renowned artists from Noel Gallagher to the Sex Pistols, and hand written song lyrics from Adele, along with the original statues from the Brits and the Apple Corp front door from Saville Row. Students also had the opportunity to try best music equipment available, from drum kits to guitars and keyboards in the Gibson Brands Interactive Studio.

After we visited the exhibition we went to complete a walking tour of some of the famous cultural and musical sites in Liverpool, including stopping to watch the house band at the Cavern Club in the afternoon.

Miss L Smith



ROUTES INTO LANGUAGES TRIP

On Wednesday 29th November, Mrs Smart took 23 Y8 pupils to the University of Liverpool for a Routes into Languages Film and Culture event. We travelled by train and had opportunities to practise speaking in Spanish on the journey with our Foreign Language Assistant Maria. During the day we had a series of lectures and seminars which gave us a taste of life at university and our student guide for the day, Robyn, answered the pupils' questions about studying at university. In the first session we were surprised to learn that 75% of the world's population doesn't speak English and that 60% of English companies cannot conduct business in a foreign language due to a shortage of language skills. This highlighted to us how useful it is to learn another language.

The second session focused on a Spanish film called 'Ocho apellidos vascos' which is a comedy celebrating cultural difference in Spain between the Basque Country in the north and Andalusia in the south. Our pupils were particularly impressive in the quiz and were able to use their knowledge of Spanish to match up the vocabulary and to complete the gap fill task.

For the rest of the day the pupils sampled language sessions of Mandarin, Italian and Catalan. Here are some of their reflections on the day:

Jake - I learnt a few words and symbols in Mandarin. I learnt about Catalonia wanting to be their own country.

Shea - I learnt that my name in Mandarin is 'who' and a lot of new Italian word and phrases.
Lulu - I loved the Italian lesson, I want to learn to speak Italian now.

Natalia – On the trip I loved learning Mandarin because it was fun trying to draw the alphabet. Overall I enjoyed all of the tasters because I think learning languages is wonderful and opens up opportunities.

Molly – I enjoyed the Spanish trip because it was interesting when we learnt different languages. It was also interesting learning about Spanish films. I really enjoyed the trip!

Luke – I really enjoyed the Routes into Languages trip because now I know a bit of: Chinese, Italian and Catalan. I also know more Spanish. I would like to be on a trip like this again.

Harry – When I went to Liverpool University I enjoyed going and listening to the Catalan language and the independence movement between Catalan and Spain. I also enjoyed the Mandarin even though it was very difficult and challenging. Learning about human towers sounded really fun but scary as it said they had to climb over 15m high!



LITERACY CORNER

Y becomes ies in plurals with a consonant before the y.

A Make these words plural: knock off the y, add ies.

1. penny = _____
2. fly = _____
3. sky = _____
4. ferry = _____
5. body = _____
6. try = _____
7. story = _____
8. berry = _____

B Choose four of the plurals you have made and then use them in a sentence of your own.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

Give your answers to the English office and win a prize!

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AFTER SCHOOL SUPPORT TIMETABLE

All sessions are 3.20 - 4.30pm unless otherwise organised with subject staff

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 4th December 2017

"Don't count the days, make the days count."

Muhammad Ali



"See everything; turn a blind eye to much; correct a little."

Pope Francis

God our Father,

I offer to you everything that I do this day.

I offer to you my prayers, works, sufferings and joys of this day.

May the Holy Spirit guide and strengthen me so that my life may be of service to you and all who I meet.

St John Plessington
Pray for us.

