

NEWSLETTER

All the news from St John Plessington Catholic College



Auschwitz 2019

Very early on the morning of Tuesday 19th November Year 12 pupils from SJP and SMCC departed from Liverpool John Lennon to Krakow. Once we had arrived and settled in the hotel we set off for the first of our visits. This was a walking tour of the Jewish Quarter of Krakow. The Jewish population of Krakow is not very big since WW2 however they do have several synagogues which we visited and a selection of lovely restaurants tucked away in a beautiful square of the Jewish Quarter. Pupils also had the opportunity to try some traditional Polish food as we went to a street market for lunch. Later on we had a tour of Schindler's Factory Museum which has been devoted to the wartime experiences in Krakow under the five-year Nazi occupation during the World War II.

Read more about this trip on our website. www.stjohnplessington.com



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Catholic College**



Presents

A Carol Service for Christmas



Monday 16th December 2019 at 6.30pm
Thursday 19th December 2019 at 6.30pm

We are holding two Carol Services in College Hall, the first will take place on Monday 16th December 2019 at 6.30pm and the second on Thursday 19th December 2019 at 6.30pm.

We do hope that you will be able to join us. Tickets are available from the School Office.

MOCK EXAM TIMETABLE DECEMBER 2019



Year 11 pupils will sit mock examinations from w/c Monday 2nd until Thursday 19th December.

Visit our website to download the Year 11 Mock Timetable.
<https://stjohnplessington.com/sjp-news/exam-information>

Media Wizards Adventure to London

On Thursday the 22nd of November, we embarked on an exciting media adventure to London.

After an early start we headed straight to Warner Bros. Studios where all of the Harry Potter films and also the Fantastic Beasts franchise were made. Warner Bros.

Studios was a brilliant and exciting example of "behind the scenes" action and illuminated the brilliance of the British film industry to a captivated audience. Please do look at the images that we have taken: in terms of enhancing our media skills, there was much here to learn!



190 boxes collected for Operation Christmas Child

Today with the help of Year 7 Students 190 Shoe boxes packed by our Students were loaded onto a van bound for Eastern Europe.

This was the amazing total of this year's Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Appeal.

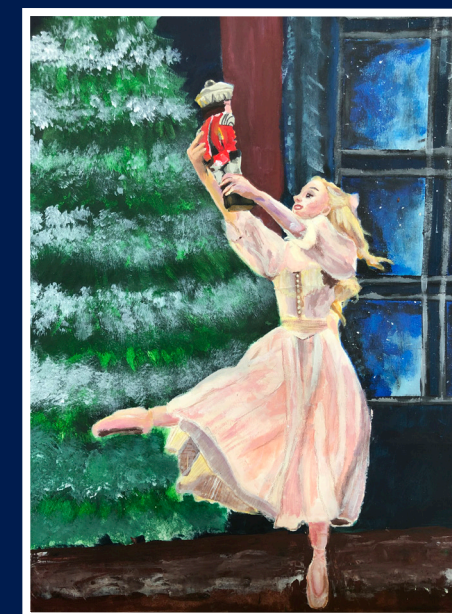
As we celebrate Christmas with our own families, we will know that one hundred and ninety children who are unknown to us will be opening our presents, for many this will be the first present that they will have ever received in their life. This is surely a sign of what our community is about when we "Aspire to be more."



Young Artist Christmas Competition Finalist!!

Congratulations to Lydia Evans, who made it to the final in a national Young Artist Christmas Competition competition to develop a piece based on a theme of 'Festive Dreams.' for the cover of the 2019 InvestIN Christmas card. For each entry InvestIN donated money to the charity SHINE, which helps students from underprivileged backgrounds with their education. They were incredibly impressed by the standard of artwork received from SJP and we wanted to share with you that one of our school's entries made it to the final of the competition.

Well Done Lydia!



Weekly Theme - W/C 25th November

Be Prepared

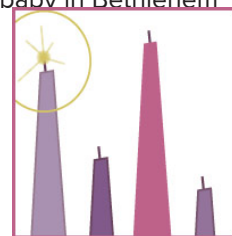
“Be prepared” is the motto for the Boy Scout, movement, but it is also a great motto for us to have as Christians during Advent. This week the Church begins new year, because Sunday saw the beginning of a new year in the Christian calendar, Advent – the word Advent comes from the Latin word “Adventus” which means “Arrival” It is a time of waiting for the arrival of Christmas, the coming of Jesus to earth when he was born as a baby at Bethlehem over two thousand years ago.

As Christians we are asked to “Be prepared” and “Stay awake” to the real meaning of Christmas.

These days we can get so carried away with the commercialism of Christmas that we see all around us, the buying of presents, clothes, food, the organising of parties, that we can sometimes leave Jesus out of Christmas all together and replace him with Father Christmas and Christmas trees, tinsel and decorations.

Advent, the season of preparation reminds us to celebrate the good news of the birth of Jesus as a baby in Bethlehem and to also remember that one day he will return to earth as our judge.

This Advent how can we help ourselves to remain alert to the opportunities to grow in the love and service of others?



Extra-Curricular Timetables

Check out what Performing Arts & PE clubs are on via our extra-curricular timetables.

Please see Miss Chesters or Mr Nunnery if you are interested in getting involved in any of our Extra-Curricular clubs.

The Full timetables are available to download via our College website.
<https://www.stjohnplessington.com/sjp-news/extra-curricular-timetables>

Performing Arts

Extra-Curricular Timetable



	Monday 12 Assembly	Tuesday 11/13 Assembly	Wednesday	Thursday 10/7 Assembly	Friday 9/8 Assembly
12 - 12.30pm		Year 11 Performing Arts Intervention (SJC)	Year 11 Music Intervention (ALJ) Intervention for Year 11 Music students for support with coursework Spotlight Festival (Year 10/11 SJC Year 10 to Year 13 are invited to participate in a singing festival on the theme of mental health)		
12.35 - 1.10pm		KS3 Choir (Year 7-8) ALJ All pupils in KS3 are welcome to be part of the KS3 Choir. National Connections (ESJ) By audition to participate in this year's National Connections piece 'Changing Rooms'	Musical Theatre Club (Year 7-10) CDD 500 this weekly group that rehearse and perform the students from old known musicals A Level Music Theory (SJC) ALJ An individual intervention resource for A-Level music pupils in learning their theory and knowledge of set works	LAMDA Performance Exams (SJC) For the completion of performance exams grades 1-8 Chamber Choir (KS4-KS5) ALJ Chamber choir rehearsal by Miss Jeffers	Spotlight Festival (Year 7-10) SJC A drama club run by Year 12 for Year 7-10
		BTEC Intervention (Year 12 and 13) DJG Year 12 and 13 Music Intervention for the completion of coursework	National Connections (ESJ) By audition to participate in this year's National Connections piece 'Changing Rooms'	National Connections (ESJ) By audition to participate in this year's National Connections piece 'Changing Rooms'	Year 11 Performing Arts Intervention (ESJ) Intervention for Year 11 Music students for support with coursework
3.20 - 4.30pm	Theatre of the Week Club (Year 10 - Year 13 SJC) Watch a piece of theatre filmed live at a stage show and review the work.	Year 12 and 13 Music Intervention for the completion of coursework	LAMDA Performance Exams (SJC) For the completion of performance exams grades 1-8	School of Rock (Year 7-13) ALJ Come along and create a group to bring your own music alive Year 11 Performing Arts Intervention (SJC) Intervention for Year 11 Music students for support with coursework	Theatre of the Week Club (Year 10 - Year 13 SJC) Watch a piece of theatre filmed live at a stage show and review the work. School Band (Year 7-13) ALJ Please see Miss Jeffers if you want to be part of the school band Keyboard Skills (Year 12 and 13) DJG Year 12 and Year 13 are welcome to develop their piano skills

Physical Education

Extra-Curricular Timetable



	Monday 12 Assembly	Tuesday 11/13 Assembly	Wednesday	Thursday 10/7 Assembly	Friday 9/8 Assembly
12 - 12.30pm	PE BTEC Club	Year 9/10 Netball (CO) Year 9/10 Basketball (MJH)	Year 9/10 Rugby (JSE) Year 9/10 Badminton (AN)	Year 9 Dance (AN) Year 10 Football (MJH)	Year 10 Dance (AN) Year 10 Football (MJH)
12.35 - 1.10pm	Year 11 Intervention Group (MJH)	Year 8 Tag Rugby (AN) Year 7/8 Basketball (JSE) Year 11 Intervention Group (BDN)	Year 8 Netball (CO) Year 7/8 Football (BDN)	Year 8 Dance (CO) Year 8 Rugby (JSE) Year 11 Intervention Group (BDN)	Year 7 Netball (CO) Year 8 Rugby (JSE)
3.20 - 4.30pm	All Years Football All Years Dance PE Fixtures - Various	Meeting Night	All Years Basketball All Years Girls Football PE BTEC Club PE Fixtures - Various	All Years Rugby (External Coach) All Years Netball PE Fixtures - Various	PE BTEC Club

BOYS CLUBS GIRLS CLUBS MIXED CLUBS INTERVENTION / FIXTURES

Upcoming Events

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DofE Awards Evening

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UCAS Create your future trip
PE Taster Day at t LJMU
Judaism Guest Speaker

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Y12 Criminology and Policing Taster Day

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