

NEWSLETTER

All the news from St John Plessington Catholic College

National Enterprise Challenge Year 7

All Year 7 took part in this STEM challenge and involved them coming up with a use for empty cylinders and tanks. Some uses are shown below.



Areas they had to cover were

- The manufacturing costs & profit margin for your product
- A performance of Your Advert
- Why your team deserves to win

Branding

Now you have designed your new product, you need to create a brand to bring it to market.

MARKETING THEIR NEW PRODUCT including a Social Media campaign, poster, PR stunt and press release

Costings involved in producing the product
The end result was a presentation to cover the following areas

- Current environmental issues you have considered
- A description & design of your new product
- Explanation of your branding
- The marketing for your new product (Social Media competition, Poster, PR Stunt, Press Release)

The winning team was;

Jack Lally

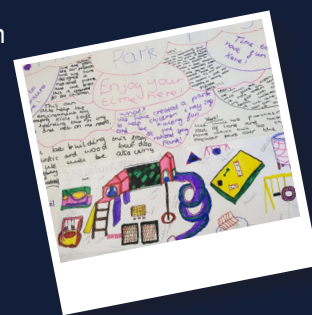
Aila Khan

Kerian Jones

Madelaine Lowther

Johnny Ray Morrow, all from 7MK

Their project was "injured Earth" which was a sculpture to promote awareness of global warming and pollution made out of empty Gas canisters that would otherwise end up in land fill





Paris Trip 2020

Just before the half term break one hundred and twenty-three of our pupils travelled by coach and ferry to Lésigny near Paris. Everyone was very excited to arrive in France. We arrived at our accommodation 'Chateau de Grande Romaine' where we enjoyed settling in and having an evening meal.

On the next day some spent the morning at the chateau taking part in a variety of outdoor activities. Pupils had the chance to try a range of activities including abseiling, climbing, buggy making and archery. Other pupils visited the Louvre where they took a great interest in the art and particularly enjoyed the Mona Lisa while some pupils visited the picturesque town of Brie Comte Robert where they took in the views and visited the shops.

That afternoon some pupils visited 'Stade de France' where pupils had a guided tour of the entire stadium including the players and referees changing rooms, the presidents' suite and even the prison! Others visited the cheese factory where they enjoyed a presentation and samples of various French cheeses and the rest enjoyed 'Cité de sciences et de l'industrie' a fully immersive hands-on science museum.

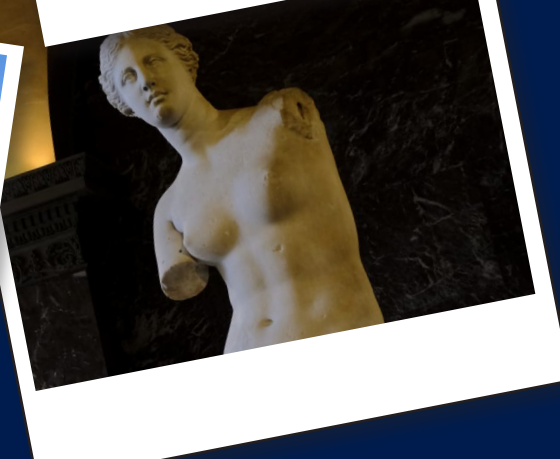
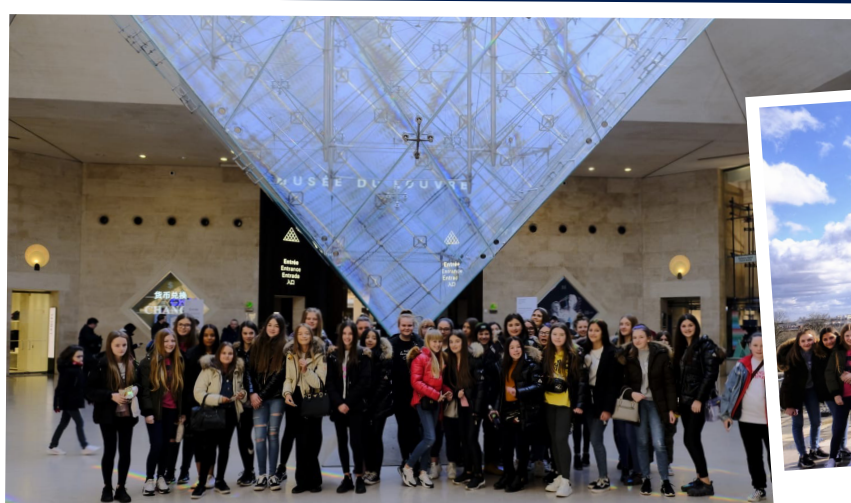
Thursday was also extremely busy, all pupils did a cruise of the river seine and visited Tour Montparnasse, the only skyscraper in Paris, where they took the express elevator up to the 59th floor and took in the incredible views of Paris from the top.

Some followed this by a visit to the spectacular Arc de Triomphe and the busy Champs-Élysées, whilst other pupils chose to tour the beautiful Sacré Coeur and Montmartre. Others visited the Musée d'Orsay and saw famous works by artists such as Monet, Renoir, Van Gogh and many more.

On Friday we spent the entire day at Disneyland in Paris visiting both the main Disneyland Park and also Walt Disney Studios.

Evenings were spent learning how to make crêpes, playing football and basketball on the outdoor courts and enjoying a fantastic last night disco.

The trip was a great success where all students were immersed in French culture and took every opportunity to practice their language skills.



NOW FESTIVAL 2020



Well done to our Performing Arts students who were asked by Merseyside Youth Association to create a piece on the theme of 'Mental health and Belonging.'

The piece needed to explore typical issues teenagers from around the country have identified are issues they face and the impact this can have on their mental health.

The project was organised with Liverpool CAMHs too. The group of 11 worked together to create an original piece of work which they performed at the Liverpool Epstein Theatre on Wednesday night. They received the award for 'Best Mental Health Message' on Wednesday as well as 'Best Overall Performance' out of all the groups to perform on Wednesday, bringing two trophies back with us.

They were then invited back last night as the guest act to share their piece as MYA said their piece was very powerful. They were also filmed by Liverpool TV during the rehearsals and were interviewed on their piece and their views on mental health - the interview is a real credit to them.

The group were really proud of the piece and were given really amazing feedback on how well they did and how professional they were.

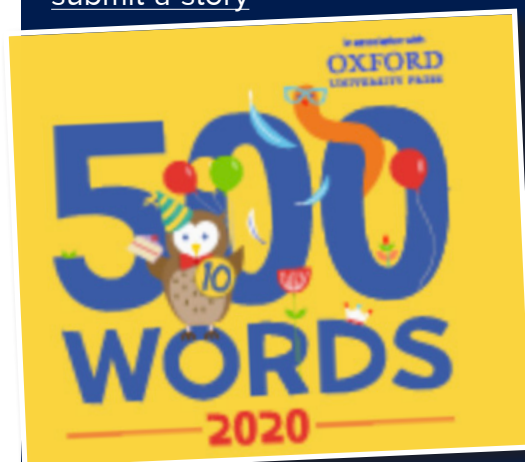
We will look to get them to perform the piece to our own students in assemblies after half-term.



500 Words! 2020

Year 7 pupils and any year 8 pupils under 13 - don't forget to get your 500 words entries in by Thursday 27 February, or bring it to the school library and I will help you submit it.

www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/articles/59TwKqqlp3LTpRVfPlsKtx9/submit-a-story

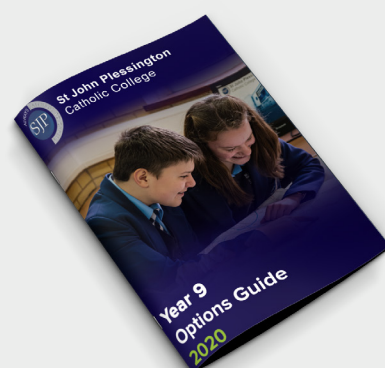


ParentMail



We have launched +plus (pluspay) and this is now how to pay for school lunches, trips and activities. All balances from school lunches have been transferred over from Parent Pay.

If you haven't registered to ParentMail please contact us to receive a new registration link.

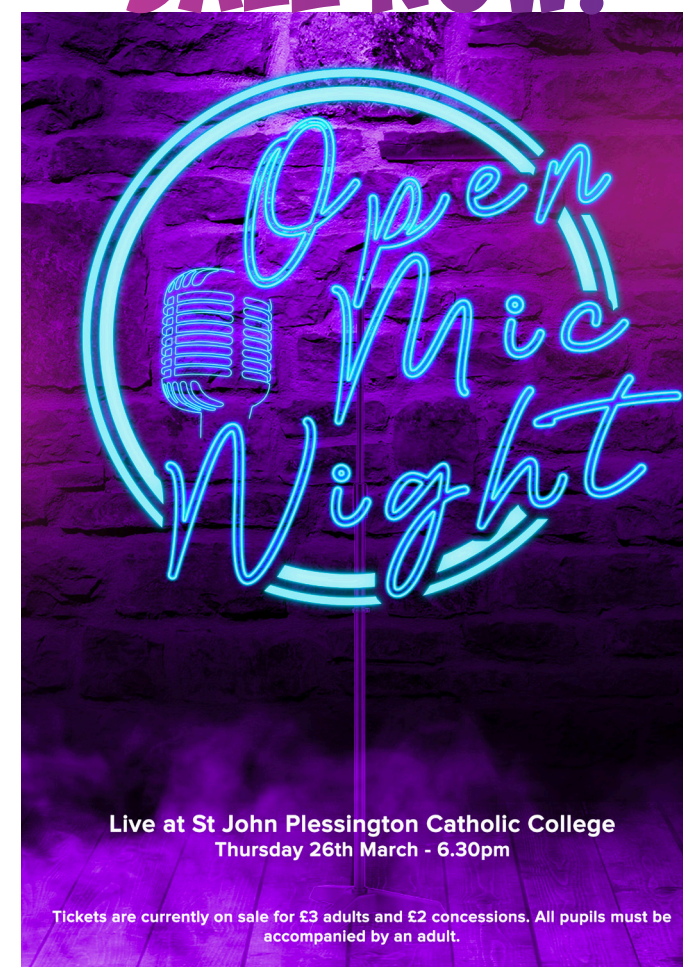


Valentines day Bake Off

The Food department at SJP hosted its very own Bake Off, Valentines style today on the last day of term for Years 7, 8, 9 and 10 and it has been an immense success with 20 entries. The SJP teachers visited the department to judge the cakes on 'best texture', 'best appearance', 'best effort' and 'overall winner' and the WINNER will be announced this week and awarded their prize.



TICKETS ON SALE NOW!



Live at St John Plessington Catholic College
Thursday 26th March - 6.30pm

Tickets are currently on sale for £3 adults and £2 concessions. All pupils must be accompanied by an adult.

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 2020

Grade C or above in GCSE English and Mathematics

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, RE and Social Sciences.

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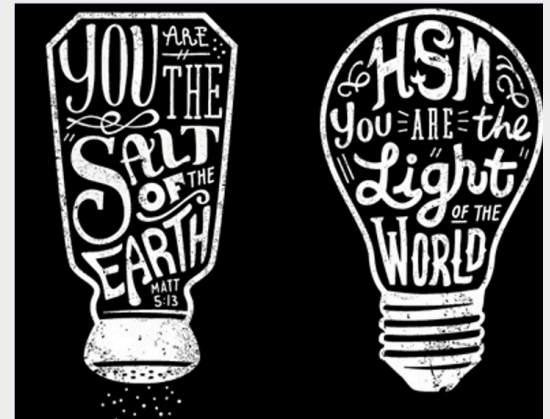
Weekly Theme - W/C 24th February 2020

Matthew 5:13-16

“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.



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>

| | Monday 12 Assembly | Tuesday 11/13 Assembly | Wednesday | Thursday 10/7 Assembly | Friday 9/8 Assembly |
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| 12 - 12.30pm | | Year 11 Performing Arts Intervention (SJC) | Year 11 Music Intervention (ALJ) Intervention for Year 11 Music students for support with coursework | | |
| 12.35 - 1.10pm | | K53 Choir (Year 7-8) ALJ All pupils in K53 are welcome to be part of the K53 Choir. | Musical Theatre Club (Year 7-10) CDD200 this weekly group find, rehearse and perform key numbers from well-known musicals. | LAMDA Performance Extra (SJC) For the completion of performance exams grades. | Spotlight 7 (Year 7 Drama Club) SJC A drama club run by Year 12 for Year 7 only. |
| 3.20 - 4.30pm | | National Connections (CDD) By audition to participate in this year's National Connections year 'Changing Rooms'. | Chamber Choir (K54-K55) ALJ Chamber choir rehearsed by Miss Jefferys. | Choir Section Leaders (Year 10-13) L5A rehearsal for the section leaders for school choir. | Year 11 Performing Arts Intervention (CDD) Intervention for Year 11 Drama students for support with coursework. |
| | | BTEC Intervention (Year 12 and 13) CJC Year 12 and 13 Music intervention for the completion of coursework. | Music Theory Club (Year 7-13) ALJ Learn the key elements of music theory notation to making music. | Year 7 Assembly (SJC) | Year 11 Performing Arts Intervention (SJC) Intervention for Year 11 Drama students for support with coursework. |
| | | Theatre of the Week Club (Year 9-10) 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 Extra (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. |
| | | | | | Theatre of the Week Club (Year 10-11) Year 13 SJC Watch a piece of theatre filmed live at a stage show and review the work. |
| | | | | | College Choir (Year 7-13) SJC All are welcome to join College Choir. |

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| 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 9 Football (MJH) | Year 10 Dance (AN) Year 10 Football (MJH) |
| 12.35 - 1.10pm | Year 11 Intervention Group (MJH) | 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 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 |

Upcoming Events

Week Commencing 24th February 2020

