



## “Head Lines”

A' Level students thrilled to achieve the highest ever grades.

**A'Level:** Pass Rate (A-G) 99%  
Higher Grade Rate (A-C) 80%

All students were successful with university and employment placements.

These are the highest ever at St John Plessington.

**GCSE:** Pass Rate (A-G) 96%  
Higher Grade Rate (A-C) 52%

### Gender Analysis:

Achieving 5+ A*-C	Boys 43%	Girls 54%
Achieving 5+ A*-G	Boys 96%	Girls 96%

The top achieving students at A' Level were:

Peter Almond	(2 A* in ICT, B in RE)
Liam Cannell	(A English, A Psychology, A RE, B Hist)
Stephanie Batey	(A RE, B Psychology, B English)
Christina Millan	(A English, A History, A Psychology, D Biology)
Isabelle Murphy	(A English, A History, A Psychology, D Fine Art)
Margaret Simmons	(A English, A Psychology, A RE, B Biology)

The top achieving pupils at GCSE were:

Michael Brockway	(7 A* Grades, 6 Grades)
Peter Boyle	(2 A* Grades, 6 A Grades, 1 B Grade)
Michael Banner	(1 A* Grade, 6 A Grades, 6 B Grades)
Daisy Killen	(2 A* Grades, 1 A Grade, 6 B Grades)
Laura McKenna	(1 A* Grade, 5 A Grades, 1 B Grade, 5 C Grades)
Kelly Paxton	(1 A* Grade, 2 A Grades, 5 B Grades, 5 C Grades)
Lauren Spearall	(1 A* Grade, 4 A Grades, 8 B Grades)

### Theme For The Week

#### “FRIENDSHIP”

*“Greater love has no-one than this, that he lay down his life for his friends.”*

John 15:13

Giving up our lives for our friends sounds difficult. Yet how do we measure our lives? We measure them in months and years – we measure them in time. Seldom does it happen that a person is asked to give his or her life for a friend, but frequently we are asked to give our time. We might give our time by playing sports together, socialising or watching TV together. We might also be asked to give our time in more difficult circumstances: when help is needed, when a friend needs comfort and support, when our friends are going through difficult times. When we give up our time for our friends we show them that we love them.

*Lord, we pray that we will not be fair-weather friends, but that we will willingly give our time to show friends how much we care for them.*

*Amen*

St John Plessington - *Pray for us*

### Year 11 Parents' Evening

Thank you to all parents who attended Year 11 Parents Evening last night. The turnout was a very high one and reflects the wonderful support that all our parents are giving our pupils on the journey to academic success. Last night we were reminded again that we are in a partnership together to ensure our children fulfil their potential. The hard work now begins and our Year 11 pupils need to work on the targets they were set by their subject teachers last night and we will ensure close monitoring and tracking of every pupil. Please as always do not hesitate to contact the school through Mr Dolan, Head of Learning or Mrs Davis, our newly appointed Learning Coach if there are any concerns.

Thank you once again for your fantastic support.

Mr S Rylance

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## LUNCHTIME ARRANGEMENTS

SJP has an impressive new restaurant with a wider choice of menus this year. In addition the school day has changed:

Years 7, 8 and 9 have lunch from 12.00 noon to 12.50, with academic review from 12.50 pm to 1.20 pm when lessons resume.

Years 10, 11 and Sixth Form have academic review from 12.00 noon to 12.30 and their lunch from 12.30 pm to 1.20 pm.

The duration of lunchtime has altered and therefore pupils should not be off site during lunchtime unless there are exceptional circumstances, in which case a letter requesting permission for a pupil to leave the school premises at lunchtime must be forwarded to that pupil's Head of Learning. In the event that this request is allowed then arrangements must be made for the collection (signing out at reception) and delivery (signing in at reception) of that pupil – this is to comply with Health and Safety requirements and to protect the safety of all of our children.

## WIRRAL – HONG KONG YOUTH EXCHANGE



**Sean Stokes and Michael Boyd**

These students have been selected to take part in the 16 strong Wirral – Hong Kong Youth Exchange, having successfully raised £9000 through a variety of fundraising activities to make sure that the experience could go ahead. And what an experience this promises to be.

Sean and Michael will visit Hong Kong and main land China from 17 September to 3 October – a visit that will include attending a school in China to teach the children to read and write English.

Look out for a review of their experiences upon their return. We wish them well!

## INTRODUCING OUR LEARNING COACHES!!!



**Miss Sutton (Y7), Miss Dyer (Y8), Miss Skillen (Y9), Miss Clinton (Y10), Mrs Crofts (10) and Mrs Dis (Y11) are our new Learning Coaches for this year. SJP is the first school on the Wirral to benefit from Learning Coaches, who will be working with pupils in each year group to make sure that they are getting the most from their work and that they are on target for the highest grades. Over the coming term, all pupils will work with the Learning Coaches to develop an Individual Achievement Plan, which will set out clearly aims and targets for the year. Please feel free to contact your child's Form Tutor and Learning Coach to see how you can help in making sure that all of our pupils meet their targets.**

## COLLEGE MINIBUS APPEAL

### RACE NIGHT

**Thursday Evening – 5 October 2006**

All friends, parents and staff are invited to this new event, run by PFOP, with the intention of raising funds for the College minibus.

Come along, have a bet and enjoy the fun!

Gee up!!!

More information on this exciting event will follow in next week's newsletter.

