



Theme for the Week

Martyrdom

Our College is named after a martyr. Our Forms Names are the initials of martyrs and two of our House Patrons are martyrs. It seems strange in the time in which we live and in this country that we should look up to these martyrs so much. We are allowed to practise our faith freely. We can go to church without feeling that we will be in danger, we can buy Bibles and prayer books in bookshops without having to hide them from the government, we can talk openly about our faith if we wish to do so. It is unlikely that we will be martyred for our faith.

The badge has the phrase *Always Faithful to Christ*. In this, we can be united in spirit with the martyrs we look up to. We do not need to die for our faith, but we should aim to live for it.

*Lord,
We pray that we will always remain faithful to you,
that we will be inspired by the stories of Christians who have lived and died for you
and that we will always be thankful that we are allowed to worship freely.
Amen*

Chapel Noticeboard

Monday	12.00 G-Factor
Tuesday	8.15 - Morning Prayer
Wednesday	12.50 – Mass
Thursday	8.15 – Morning Prayer 3.20 – 4.30 – Music Liturgy Group (In Miss Stott's room)

The Chapel will be open every break time for any pupils wanting time for reflection.

Year 8 Retreat to Pantasaph 15th June 2007

Year 8 Retreat to Pantasaph on the theme of *Gifts and Talents* was a success, despite the poor weather and flood warnings at the start of the day. All pupils involved themselves in the activities and challenges that had been set them. There was opportunity to give thanks to God for our gifts and talents - as well as the opportunity to discover new talents!

Pupils spent time around the grounds at Pantasaph, visiting the St. Pio Shrine and the beautiful church of St. David.

When can we go again?! was asked on the way home.

Many thanks to the pupils for their excellent behaviour and to College staff for leading the day.



Monday 25 June 2007

Some pupils from Year 10, Year 12 and Year 13 are sitting examinations on Monday 25 June 2007 and should attend College as already advised.

For all other pupils, College will be closed on Monday 25 June 2007. Enjoy the break.

The Paul O’Gorman Leukaemia Trust Cheeky Monkey Marathon Challenge

Thank you to all of those who successfully completed your challenge. We are now currently in the process of counting the money raised for Leukaemia. However, there are some pupils who have not yet collected in their sponsor money raised from friends and family. In order for the College to send the money raised to the Leukaemia charity, please pass the sponsorship money into Miss Shaw as soon as possible.

Well done to all of you who have taken part in this most worthwhile of charity drives.

Mini Mouse Racer Challenge

Four Pupils from Year 9, Andrew Evans, Anthony Meade, Andrew Crawford and Michael Coumbe entered our electronic challenge competition held at the Jaguar factory in Liverpool. The Pupils had to build an electronic motorised vehicle that would compete in two categories, endurance and speed. SJP competed against schools that attend this competition every year. This was our first year. It would be fine to say that the taking part alone would be enough for our Pupils, but no! in the endurance test SJP achieved the joint highest number of laps – 281 within a 5 minute period. In the speed test SJP came second, beaten by 0.4 seconds. A fantastic effort, our Pupils were a real credit to the school. Well done!

Mathematical Masks Competition

Before half term Miss Hodges ran a Mathematical Masks Competition with our Partner Primary schools.

Year 5 Pupils were asked to design symmetrical face masks.

The entries were of a very high standard and it was an extremely hard competition to judge.

It was finally decided to award the following first prizes:

Ryan Edwards – Christ the King
Molly Bryan – St Werbergh’s
Xian Lee – St Michael and All Angel’s
Jack Stephens – St Joseph’s
Ellen Davies – St Anne’s

Congratulations to all winners and runners up!

The winning masks are displayed on the Maths corridor.

Examinations Week 18-22 June

Please be aware that all pupils from Years 7 – 10 will begin a week of internal exams beginning Mon 18/06. The week will serve a number of purposes and will offer a good opportunity for all pupils to demonstrate their progress over the academic year. We are expecting a really encouraging set of results which will form the basis of our final round of assessment to be published to parents in early July. You are aware that we are keen to keep Parents informed on matters of academic progress and our half-termly assessments, alongside the termly Achievement Plan, seem to be doing that job very well. As ever, please feel free to contact your child’s Form Tutor for further details on exams or assessment.

Liverpool International Tennis Tournament

Well done to the 14 Year 9 Pupils who went to watch the Tennis at Calderstones Park on Tuesday 12 June 2007. They behaved extremely well and were a credit to the College. Well done again!

Pupils:

David Brockway, Jessica Cadden, Tom Tudor, Vicky Hoey, Jordan Ezard, Katie Dickson, Chris Kane, Courtney Thomas, Tom Critchley, Kate Ashcroft, Craig McMahon, Georgie-Ann King, Lewis Stevenson, Callum Brady

House Point Corner

	Weekly total as at 15/6/07					Overall Total To date
	Yr7	Yr8	Yr9	Yr10	Yr11	
Bernadette	6	33	4	19	26	3098
Bosco	6	39	0	1	25	2767
Hume	7	6	0	15	20	2836
Kolbe	4	33	2	16	23	3093
Romero	2	11	1	10	26	2803
Teresa	7	25	1	14	21	3035

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