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## HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Carers

Approaching the Easter holidays we are reminded of how privileged we are this year to be able to get together with family and friends to celebrate this special, holy season. We think of all those in the Ukraine who are facing exceptional and grave circumstances this Easter. As a college we are thankful to all those who have contributed to our Just Giving Ukraine Appeal. We have raised 65% of our £1000.00 target. Further donations are welcomed, PLEASE USE THE QR CODE HERE.

Over the past two weeks we have also been able to have many students out on Rewards Trips. We congratulate all those students for their House Points success and hope they enjoyed their day out. Today, students had a non-uniform day - the first one across the whole college in some time. We thank Student Voice for their suggestion and are pleased to be able to make a contribution to the Zaian Youth Centre fund. A fund close to the hearts of our school community.

Across the college the past two weeks have been a busy time with trips to universities, exam booster sessions and sporting fixtures. Throughout the Easter break we will be welcoming Year 11 and 13 students onsite for our revision sessions. We know students will find these beneficial as the exams commence shortly after Easter, in mid-May. Next term, we look forward to our school Pantomime on April 29th. We hope as many of you as possible can come along to watch it. Further details are found in the newsletter.

I hope you all enjoy a peaceful break and an opportunity to spend quality time with your loved ones. As always, if any parent/ carer has any questions please do get in touch on [admin@sjc.ac](mailto:admin@sjc.ac).

God bless

Mrs Catherine Kane



*"One thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus."  
Philippians 3:13-14*

# CHAPLAINCY REFLECTION

Mr T Arthur

## Easter

For Christians, Easter is the most important festival in the year. Easter is the celebration of Christ's resurrection from the dead. As we know from the Gospels, Jesus Christ rose from the dead on the third day following his crucifixion, which would be Sunday. His resurrection marks the triumph of good over evil, sin and death. It is the singular event which proves that those who trust in God and accept Christ will be raised from the dead. Since Easter represents the fulfilment of God's promises to mankind!

## Lasallian Award

I am delighted to see students' handing in their evidences for the Lasallian Award. Please continue to encourage your child to take part, it is open to all students in the College. I would like to thank the following students who have completed it:

Lemar (7 Beulah), Brandon (11 Beulah), Ayo (11 Beulah), Peace (6th Netherton)

## Y8 Retreat

On 26th April, we will welcome the Young Lasallians who will lead the Y8 retreat. It is a day for the Year 8 students to learn: about our Lasallian heritage, to connect with Lasallians from across the World, to understand that the omnipresent God loves them.

## Our Lasallian Heritage

Following feedback from parents/carers, in the newsletter, we will include a piece of our 'Lasallian heritage'.

*'Let us remember that we are in the holy presence of God'*

This phrase is how we begin the day. It echoes around the school corridors at the start of every lesson. A problem can be that as we use it so often, it starts to lose its meaning! It is important to remember that this phrase, which was created by the founder of the Lasallian Order, St John Baptist de La Salle, still contains a very vital significance for both students and staff alike.

As teachers, we are called to remember that the presence of God is within those entrusted to our care each and every day. We are called to: 'remember', to recognise, and pay attention to this. When we do then we can encounter God when we teach and inspire others. Indeed, for anyone who has a simple conversation with any of the boys, it isn't difficult to see their goodness. For teachers this adds to our daily duty. The phrase reminds us that we must say 'Good Morning' with a smile, to all, quickly learn names, and to adapt our teaching to the learning styles, needs and even interests of our students. This gives us a genuine care for the success of the boys.

## Easter Prayer

May the glory and the promise of this joyous time of year bring peace and happiness to you and those you hold most dear. And may Christ, Our Risen Saviour, always be there by your side to bless you most abundantly and be your loving guide.

Amen

# THIS WEEK IN PE

Mr R Atkins

Welcome to another edition of "This week in PE". A chance for all members of staff to share and witness the sporting achievements our boys have made this week.

## Football

This week has been all about the Year 11s on the football front. Under the guidance of Mr 'Jose' Pavli, the boys have reached the Croydon cup final, winning away at Trinity in the week. This will take place after Easter and I will share the date with you all. Our Year 7 boys have also given themselves a chance of winning their league, as they put 5 goals past Quest on Tuesday evening!

## Legacy for Zaian Tournament

On Wednesday, I took a group of Zaian's friends down to the Crystal Palace academy training ground, a lovely set up. The boys played against lots of schools in the local area, and raised some money towards the charity set up in his memory. Zak also came along for the day, as did his parents, and it was a great day and chance for the boys to get together, play some football, and remember their friend. Lovely to see. For the beady eyed football fans amongst you, have a look for the late 80s, early 90s striker in one of the below photos...

## Wembley

We also ran a trip last Tuesday evening to Wembley, which the boys loved. We have more trips like this pencilled in between now and the end of the year.

## Basketball

Our basketball season is over and the boys have been immense. Unfortunately our 11s lost last night at Invictus, but still had a great season. I will post the league tables when we get them. As well as this, Jayden Renner-Dappa, Olu Umoru and David Osagie have been invited for some trials next week, based on their brilliant performances this year, well done boys!



# YEAR 9 SUSSEX UNIVERSITY EXPERIENCE

Mr A Pavli

45 year 9's had an experience day at Sussex University.

They got to spend a "day in the life of a student", had a grand tour of the University campus and spent the afternoon learning how to budget as a student.

All students were impeccably behaved and inspired to pursue University in the future.



# A-LEVEL SPANISH THEATRE TRIP

Ms T Pazos-Casal



A level Spanish students enjoyed a trip to the Cervantes Theatre to watch *La Casa de Bernarda Alba* by Federico García Lorca – a play they have been studying. Students took the opportunity to also enjoy a variety of Hispanic dishes beforehand and made the most of experiencing and integrating with the Hispanic culture.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Date	Information
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Year 8 Parents' Evening</li><li>Year 13 Economics 'Tutor2u' conference</li><li>Year 8 Retreat</li></ul>
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Year 13 Business 'Tutor2u' conference</li><li>Primary School Pantomime (11.15am-12.30pm)</li></ul>
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>SJC Pantomime (6-7pm)</li></ul>
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Year 7 &amp; 8 football house event</li></ul>

# SURREY CCC CRICKET COMPETITION

Mr J Rimmer

Some students from Year 8-10 were privileged to take part in a Surrey CCC regional indoor cricket tournament as part of their affiliation with Thornton Heath Cricket Club.

They played extremely well and finished 2nd place, narrowly missing out on the overall win.

They also managed to meet Surrey and England star, Tom Curran.



# YEAR 12 PSYCHOLOGY - 'EGG BABIES'

Mrs S Coulson

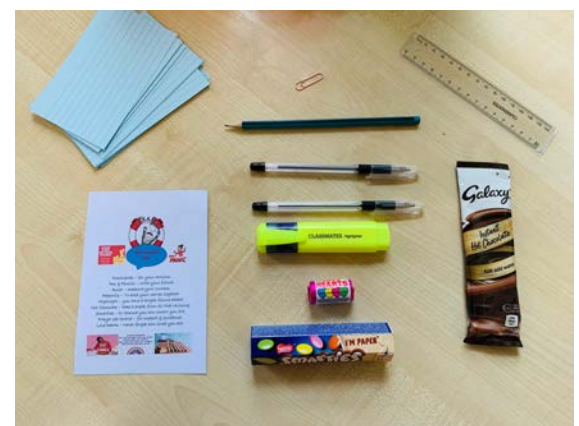


In our year 12 psychology lesson this week we made egg babies!  
Students were given an egg they named and have been tasked with caring for over the next 2.5 weeks.  
The goal? Keep the egg alive (unbroken) and never leave it out of sight  
Why? We are starting a topic on attachment and want to investigate the effect of student attachment to their egg baby. How many students will come back with their cared for egg baby after the Easter break?  
What sort of attachment will they have formed with their egg baby?

# YEAR 13 EXAM 'SURVIVAL KIT'

Dr K Woodburn

All year 13 students had an assembly with Dr Woodburn on managing exam stress and preparing for their upcoming summer examinations. In addition, all students were issued with an "Exam Survival Kit" to help and support them in the weeks ahead



# REWARDS WEEK

## YEAR 7 & 8 - MINI GOLF



## YEAR 9 - CLIMBING & BOULDERING



## YEAR 10 & 11 - PRIVATE CINEMA SCREENING 'DUNKIRK'



END OF TERM

STANDINGS

### UPCOMING EVENTS

FOOTBALL

CRICKET

SPORTS DAY

BIG EVENT 5

SPOKEN WORD

FRIDAY QUIZ

1ST GRANGE 14522

2ND BROOKLANDS 14129

3RD BEULAH 13417

4TH DANE 12304

5TH NETHERTON 11193

6TH HILL 9988

# YEAR 8 SPANISH - RESTAURANT ORDERING

Ms S Lopez

Year 8 has been learning all about food and ordering in a restaurant. Well done year 8! You are all ready to order food during your trip to Spain. Remember to give the waiter a 'propina' (tip in English). In Spain service charge is not included in the 'cuenta' (bill in English). Buen provecho!



## MFL HOUSE COMPETITION



As part of the MFL House competition, Year 7 students have been making Sombreros and learning to dance Flamenco.

After some rehearsal clapping and taping their feet, Year 7 are ready to go to the Feria. They look so handsome with their hats...Olééééé!

## YEAR 12 FUTURE LAWYERS

Mrs R Cashmore

Barrister Katie Sage took time out to work with our year 12 girls who are aiming for a career in Law. It was inspiring to hear about her hard work and determination and what a rewarding career it has led to. Thanks Katie for the encouragement and ideas.



## WEMBLEY TRIP - ENGLAND V IVORY COAST



We hope you have had a good term and are looking forward to the Easter break. Year 11 students are now approaching the final stretch towards their GCSE examinations, and so we would like to remind you of the importance of hard work and resilience as we continue into the final term. Here is some important information for GCSE mathematics, we kindly ask that you address any concerns to your student's mathematics teacher. Correct mathematics equipment is essential for all lessons and exams. This will not be provided by the mathematics equipment for examinations, so is essential. All equipment is available to purchase via ParentPay. The correct equipment should include: Black Pen, Pencil, Eraser, Sharpener, Ruler, Scientific calculator, Protractor, Compass

## GCSE maths advanced information

Due to the covid-19 pandemic, for this year's GCSE maths examinations, we have been provided with some advanced information.

## Monthly Maths questions

The students who find greatest success within GCSE mathematics are those who revise regularly, even if only in small amounts. To support students in their efforts we have created a bank of questions, with the idea for students to answer 1 question per day throughout the month. This will get pupils in the mindset to revise mathematics regularly and will help get them ready for future examinations. The solutions to the questions will be sent the following month.

## Maths Award Exams – Year 7 and 8


When we return to school after the Easter break a selected number of students from Year 7 and 8 will be sitting a maths award exam – they have been working very hard over the last few terms, and we're looking forward to seeing their efforts rewarded.

## Junior maths challenge – 27th/28th April

The Junior maths challenge will see 150 students across year 7 and 8 attempting a national maths challenge. It encourages mathematical reasoning, precision of thought, and fluency in using basic mathematical techniques to solve interesting problems.

The problems on the Junior Mathematical Challenge are designed to make students think. Most are accessible, yet still challenge those with more experience.

**A LITTLE BIT OF MATHS EVERY DAY ...**

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
<b>April Questions</b>						Share £360 in the ratio 1:3:5
1 The hypotenuse of a right-angled triangle is 13 cm long. One of the other sides is 5 cm. What is the area of the triangle?	2 Write this statement in words: $42 \cdot 31 \div 700$	3 What is 0.35 as a fraction?	4 Without a calculator work out $55.15 \times 14$	5 Without a calculator work out $\frac{2}{5} \times 240$	6 The area of a rectangle is 100 cm <sup>2</sup> . The length of the rectangle is 4 times its width. Work out the width of this rectangle.	
7 What is the product of 6 and 7?	8 Factorise: $2a^2b^3 + 8ab^2$ $a^2 + 6a + 8$	9 Estimate $\frac{0.501 \times \sqrt{26.32}}{12 \times 0.48}$	10 True or False? The first 5 prime numbers are 1, 2, 3, 5 and 7	11 Given 2 gallons = 9 litres how many gallons in 15 litres?	12 5% of a number is 31 1% of the same number is 6.2 Work out 13% of the number.	
13 Write $0.27 \times 10^4$ in standard form	14 Write 4.6 in its simplest form	15 How many faces does a square based pyramid have?	16 Which is closer to 1? $\frac{2}{5}$ or $\frac{5}{2}$	17 Calculate x 	18 $\frac{2}{3}$ of a number is 30. What is $\frac{5}{9}$ of the number?	
19 What do the sum of the interior angles of an octagon add up to?	20 Solve $6(x + 2) = 21$	21 What is the value of n? $5^n \times 5^2 = 5^{10}$	22 Can you name two shapes have two lines of symmetry?	23 What is 35 out of 40 as a percentage?	24 Work out the difference between the value of the digit 4 and the value of the digit 3 in the following number. 54 307	
25 Solve $3 - 2(x - 9) = 5x$	<b>REMEMBER: THE BEST WAY TO REVISE MATHS IS TO "DO MATHS"!</b>					



# MANDARIN UPDATE

Mr O Austin

In Mandarin, our Year 10 MEP students have been comparing British and Chinese schools. They were tasked with creating a flyer to compare the schools, and we were blown away by the quality of some of the work!

Meanwhile, our Y11s have been focused on building their Mandarin knowledge of Social and Global issues.

They are now experts on discussing – in Mandarin - issues including pollution, overpopulation, as well as the perils of addiction



# LITERACY CORNER

Mr H Henry

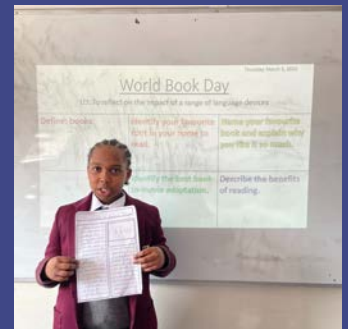
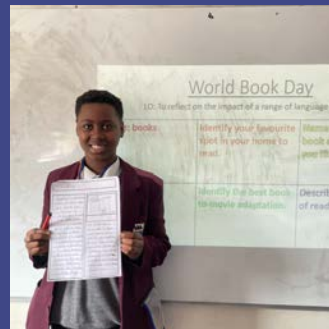
Congratulations are in order ahead of the Easter break. World Book Day saw KS3 students take part in a Harry Potter-themed scavenger hunt, where a set of Harry Potter books, Amazon vouchers and House Points were up for grabs.

Well done to Hugo, 7 Beulah, and Sofyan, 8 Brooklands, and Benicio, 9 Brooklands.

Commiserations to Kenekwuwu, Abdulaziz, Raziel, Ilyas and Samuel. S. who all finished as runners-up.

Also a massive shout-out to Mr Farrah's Year 7 Transition class who all wrote incredible newspaper articles about the importance of reading. Malachi, Shamari and Kyrece were the stand-outs for their superb writing skills!

Thank you to everyone who took part!



	<h2>community</h2>
<p><b>Definition:</b> a group of people living in the same place or having a particular characteristic in common; the state of sharing or having certain attitudes and interests in common.</p>	
<p><b>Word class:</b> noun.</p>	
<p><b>Context:</b> community can be found all over the world, in all matters of interests. Whether that be religious, cultural, professional, educational, sport-related or musical, the list is endless.</p>	
<p>This week, it is Community Week at St Joseph's, where we will be celebrating the spirit of our community, as well as paying our respects for important members of our community who have been lost.</p>	
<p>Non-uniform day on Friday - is there a better way of seeing out the term?</p>	
<p><b>Synonyms:</b> group, body, company, brotherhood, gang, affinity.</p>	

# FLAMENCO DANCING - FROM THE STUDENTS...

Rickoy White, Year 7

"The music was interesting and the dance enjoyable and it is extremely fascinating, very traditional and educational to learn about where our teachers come from and what they do"

Victorson Victor, Year 7

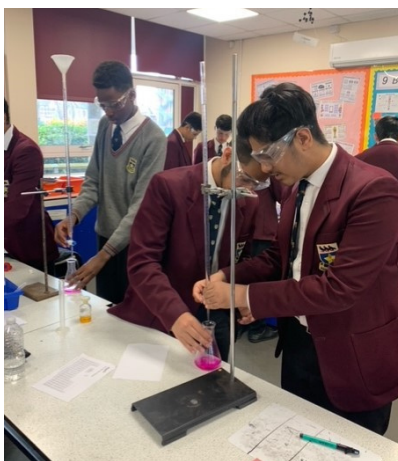
"I really enjoyed doing the flamenco and I thought it was really creative the way of showing Spanish culture. I also liked the dance because it was fun. In my opinion, it made me understand Spanish traditions better and I learned more things about Spain."



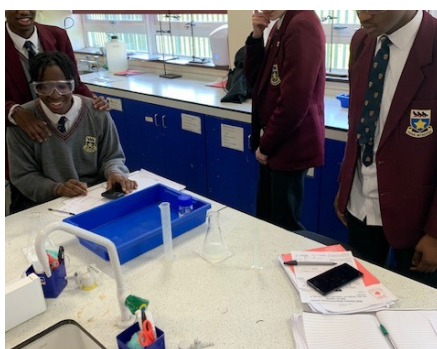
# YEAR 10 SCIENCE EXPERIMENTS

Miss M Wilkins

Y10 Triple Science completed their first titration this week. This is a practical specific to the Triple Chemistry course and requires high skill level. The reaction is complete when the phenolphthalein in the solution goes from pink to colourless. Students worked really well in pairs with almost all groups collecting really accurate results. Well done!



# YEAR 11 SCIENCE EXAM PREP



In preparation for their Chemistry GCSE exams, Y11 have been practising some of the experiments that are likely to come up in the papers. Students have been working really well to collect results, consider how they could alter the method to test different variables and forming conclusions based on what they observed. It's amazing to see how much more of a "Scientist" they are since the first time we did these experiments with them.

# FREE LIVE LESSONS

Over the next few weeks, Tassomai teachers will be hosting free live Zoom lessons from Tuesday to Thursday, 4-4.45 pm. The sessions will tackle the trickiest GCSE topics based on Tassomai data.

Pupils must register for the lessons for FREE here. The schedule is included here.

Date	Subject	Topic
05/04/2022	Physics	<a href="#">Atomic Structure - Mass Number, Atomic Number and Isotopes</a>
06/04/2022	English literature	<a href="#">Macbeth - Characters - Macduff</a>
07/04/2022	Biology	<a href="#">Genetics - Meiosis</a>
12/04/2022	Maths	<a href="#">Direct and Inverse Proportion</a>
13/04/2022	English language	<a href="#">Non-Fiction Texts - Audience and Purpose</a>
14/04/2022	Chemistry	<a href="#">Chemical Changes - Acid Reactions &amp; Their Products</a>
19/04/2022	Physics	<a href="#">Radiation &amp; Half Life - Use of Radioactive Materials</a>
20/04/2022	English literature	<a href="#">An Inspector Calls - Plot - Acts 2 and 3</a>
21/04/2022	Biology	<a href="#">Homeostasis &amp; Response - Control Systems</a>

# HOUSEKEEPING UPDATE

## Self-isolation COVID 19 Update April 2022

Although the Government has relaxed the rules regarding COVID-19, we are very aware that it is still in our communities. The latest update as of 1st April states that This has changed the way we manage things in the College.

The Government has stated that it is not a Legal requirement to isolate if you have symptoms or test positive for COVID-19. However it is still advisable to isolate.

Those who catch COVID are most infectious in the first 2 days of catching it and most are not infectious after 5 days. As a college we are following guidance by asking that if a student tests positive on a lateral flow test or is unwell and has symptoms of COVID-19 that they should not come to school during the period that they may be infectious. They should take if possible take a LFD test on day 3 of their isolation, followed by another one the next day. If both these tests results are negative, they should return to the college as long as they feel well enough to do so and do not have a temperature. We do have a limited amount of LFD tests available. If you cannot test then students can return after 3 days of isolation as long as they do not have a high temperature.

These absence this will be recorded as illness for attendance. We would ask that you inform the attendance officer as they are unwell and also inform [covid@sjc.ac](mailto:covid@sjc.ac).

### Dropping off and Collecting Students

Please can we ask parents who use cars to drop or collect students from the College to be respectful of neighbours. Can we ask that you do not obstruct peoples' driveways or park in a way that causes hazards.

Norbury Hill has plenty of free parking and it may be easier to meet or drop of students there.

Can we also ask that students who walk using Norbury Hill do not use the cut through via Hollman Gardens. They should use Beulah Hill instead. Your support in this would be appreciated.

### Year 8 Parents Evening 26th April 2022 – virtual.

Parents can book appointments from 6 pm on the 8th April 2022. Bookings via the follwing link

<https://SJCdelasalle.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

## WORD OF THE WEEK

## GCSE POD TOP 3



# saviour

**Definition:** a person who saves someone or something from danger or difficulty.

**Word class:** noun.

**Context:** In the Christian sense, the Latin noun is a translation of Greek *sōtēr* "savior." In English, it replaced Old English *hælend*, literally "healing". From 1300, *saveour*, "one who delivers or rescues from peril," also a title of Jesus Christ, from Old French *saiveour*.

In football, Wales' Gareth Bale has once again proved to be their saviour, scoring twice to put Wales in pole position to qualify for the 2022 World Cup in Qatar. Who is your saviour?

**Synonyms:** liberator, champion, messiah, rescuer, emancipator.

Year 11

- 1 – Joel Mohan
- 2 – Ayo Ayegbusi
- 3 – Gibril Barry

Year 10

- 1 – Dylan Pintor
- 2 – Irfan Ahmad
- 3 – Leeland Caulker Stannard



St Joseph's College presents



Friday  
29th April 2022

6-7pm  
Main Hall

Adults £5

Children / OAP £3

# Peter Pan



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Proceeds will be donated to  
Great Ormond Street Hospital.