

This Week

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From the Principal:

We see it as the College's role to educate students so that they understand the difference between right and wrong: how to behave in a community, be aware of others and act responsibly. At a time when young people may encounter confusing or conflicting messages through the media or through their friends, we believe this aspect of education to be very important. This involves working closely with parents and this essential partnership is the most effective way of dealing with any difficulties if they arise. We have emphasised repeatedly at College that students are in the public eye on their way to and from College each day, and that their behaviour not only reflects on them, but us. Our goal is that students of the College become increasingly able to take full responsibility for themselves and their actions so that by the time they leave the College they are positive and responsible members of society.

Alison Merrills

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

'Hold everything in your hands lightly; otherwise it hurts when God pries your fingers open'

Corrie Ten Boom

COLLEGE CALENDAR

Term dates for 2013-2014 are available on the College website: www.sjncc.leicester.sch.uk

8 April	Parent Forum at 5.30 pm
10 April	Year 10 London Trip
14-25 April	College closes for Easter
29 April	College re-opens at 11 am

FEEDBACK FROM PARENTS

Thank you to all the parents and carers of students in Years 9 and 10 who took time to complete questionnaires during this term's Parents' Consultation Evenings. The information you provide is very helpful to us in evaluating the quality of our provision and helps us to continue to improve.

Year 9 Key Stage 4 Information Evening (6 March 2014)

- 92% of parents/carers feel that the information, support and guidance provided has been helpful to their daughter in making her decisions about options.
- 79% of parents/carers agree that the 'What's My Line?' activity has enabled their daughter to consider possible career paths before choosing her GCSEs.
- 96% of parents/carers agreed that the College had informed them and their daughter about the options process and the different subject choices available in Key Stage 4.

What can we do to improve?

We can continue to offer targeted support to students who are finding it difficult to choose their options.

Year 10 Parents' Evening (6 February 2014)

- 96% of parents/carers and students are happy with the range of subjects offered at Key Stage 4.
- 93% of parents/carers feel that the support and guidance offered at College have helped their daughter to cope well with the demands of GCSEs.
- 94% of parents/carers feel their daughter is managing her workload well.
- 95% of parents/carers are aware of the grade that their daughter is capable of achieving in all or most of her GCSEs.

What can we do to improve?

We can continue to keep parents regularly informed about their daughter's performance.

Thank you once again for your continued support.

Alison Merrills, March 2014

NON-UNIFORM DAY IN AID OF THE YEAR 11 PROM

Friday 11 April will be a non-uniform day for all students in aid of Year 11 Prom fundraising. The charge for this will be £1.00. Please note that there is no obligation for your daughter to come dressed in non-uniform.

The Year 11 students appreciate the support that students across the College have given to their efforts to fundraise for this exciting event.

Mrs Evans, Vice Principal

STUDENT SAFETY

We once again remind students about the need to be aware of their safety on their journeys to and from College. They should avoid walking by themselves, particularly if taking a short cut through "the mud dumps." If anything happens on their journey which worries them, such as a member of the public speaking to them in a way which makes them feel uncomfortable, they should report it to their parents and to a member of staff.

BE SAFE!

Alison Merrills

PARENT FORUM – ALL WELCOME

The Parent Forum meets termly to discuss issues that are important to parents, students and staff. We would like to invite parents and carers to a meeting on Tuesday 8 April at 5.30 pm.

The meeting will last for an hour and take place in the Macaulay Lounge. This meeting will be an information session about the potential dangers of shisha pens.

If you are able to join us, please send an email for the attention of Sarah Carter (scarter@sjncc.leicester.sch.uk) or telephone the College and leave a message.

We look forward to seeing you.

Alison Merrills

TALENTED EASTER SCHOOLS De Montfort University



Congratulations to Year 10 students who have secured places at the De Montfort University Talented Easter Schools. Students will be working with other students from across the city in their chosen area of expertise. They will gain valuable experience of working in a higher education setting with university students and lecturers, who will be able to give expert advice.

Well done to:

Art and Design School

Elisa Rustemi
Orlan Sharman-Dunn

Law School

Jasmine Boparai
Alisha Hayre

Healthcare Science School

Dhuha Al-Shekhly
Mustakeema Arkate
Vanessa Falaju
Madeleine Gray-Ffrench
Ammaarah Sacranie

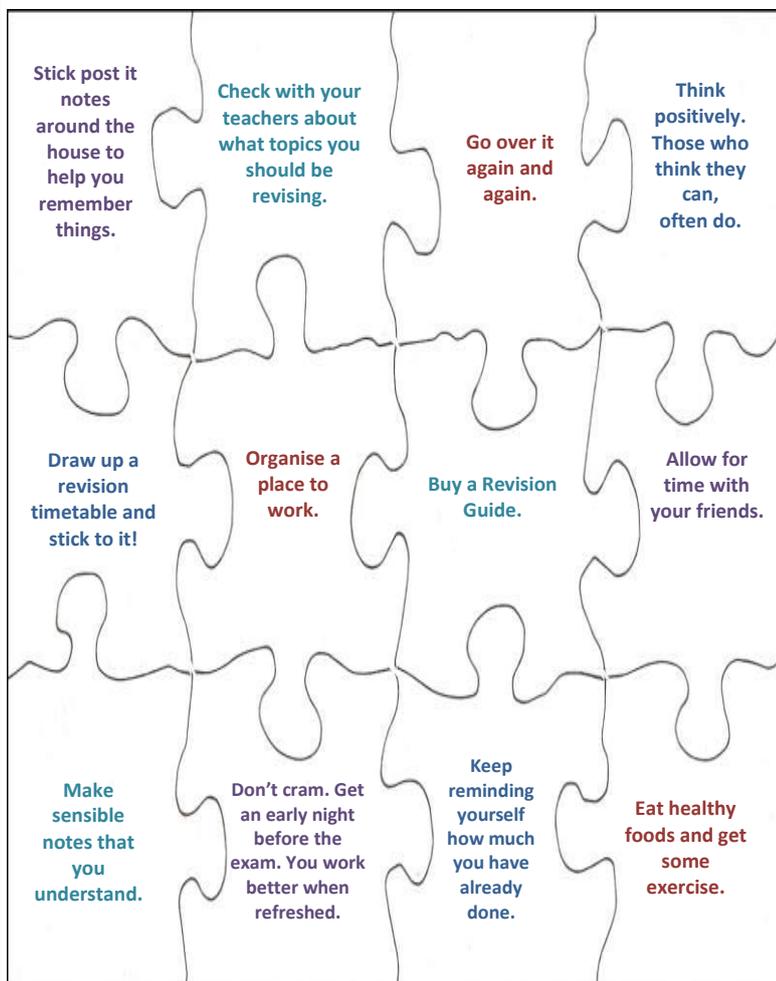
Competition for places was extremely tough so all students have done very well to be considered.

Dr Thompson, Assistant Principal



SPOTLIGHT ON YEAR 11

Here are some top tips for successful revision!



LEBC ATHENA FASHION SHOW

On the 27 March 2014 16 Year 10 and 11 students (Aysha Awal, Isabelle Bradley, Tasnim Bulbul, Chloe Radcliffe, Megan Slater, Khushbu Murabia, Jessica Maya, Katie Thandi, Josie Stephens, Indya Sudra, Hannah Taylor, Bethany Bell, Elsa Attwood Collier, Olivia Bennett, Tia Sutton and Alicia Vegad) represented Sir Jonathan North Community College at the LEBC Athena Fashion Show.

Performing to the popular Lorde's Royals Remix, the classy yet quirky choreography captured the audience of 700. The stunning, elegant costumes, designed and created by Year 11 GCSE Textiles students, complimented the creative choreography and enhanced the culturally diverse theme: The Whole World's a Ball!



Our students were described as an asset to the College, with the compere commenting on how amazing they were! Katie Thandi said, 'At first I was really scared but as soon as I got onto the stage, I loved every minute!' Chloe Radcliffe said, 'I was really nervous about the big lift but the reaction from the audience made it worthwhile!'

The event trended as the UK's number one hashtag that evening, including tweets from Hope Laudat, 'SJNCC Smashed it!' and Olivia Bennett, 'Everyone is amazinggo SJNCC!'

A fantastic evening! Well done to all students involved.

Miss Matthew and Ms Stanton

The night before the exam

- Check the start time and location of the exam.
- Get your pens, pencils, etc. ready.
- Do you need a calculator?
- Go to bed early and set your alarm.
- Arrive on time and be positive.

Mrs Wyatt, Senior Assistant Principal

ATTENDANCE Who did well last week?

	Year to date	%	w/e 28/03/2014	%
Year 7	7.8	96.7	7.5	99.2
	7.5 & 7.6	96.3	7.4	98.4
	7.7	96.2	7.7	97.7
Year 8	8.7	96.8	8.7	98.9
	8.8	96.6	8.6 & 8.8	96.7
	8.4	96.4	8.1 & 8.5	96.1
Year 9	9.5	96.8	9.5	97.1
	9.6	96.0	9.6	96.2
	9.2	95.9	9.8	96.1
Year 10	10.3	97.4	10.3	97.0
	10.4	96.3	10.4	96.1
	10.1	95.8	10.1	95.8
Year 11	11.6	96.4	11.6	96.2
	11.2	95.3	11.2	95.5
	11.3	95.2	11.9	95.4
Overall College attendance		95.0		94.9

STUDY SUPPORT AND IMPORTANT DATES FOR YEAR 11 Week Beginning 7 April 2014

DATES	07/04/2014	08/04/2014	09/04/2014	10/04/2014	11/04/2014
SUBJECT	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
LUNCH					
DESIGN TECHNOLOGY			Study Support Textiles in D10 Food in D1 Graphic Products in D2		
PE			PE Study Support in W1 1.15pm to 1.45pm		
GEOGRAPHY				Study Support in Mobile 6 Population, settlement and land use in cities Miss White Study Support in M4 River Tees Ms Knowles	
HISTORY				History Study Support 1.10pm to 1.40pm Unit 2A	
LEISURE & TOURISM / BUSINESS STUDIES				Leisure & Tourism / Business Studies Study Support	
MODERN FOREIGN LANGUAGES		Languages revision sessions / Preparation for assessments			
MATHS					Higher Tier (Mr Sube) For students who have completed their ICT only
RS				RS Study Support in M2	
SCIENCE	11.8 – Dr Thompson	Biology revision in L12 Ms Carrington	Chemistry revision with Ms Miah Yr 10 Study Buddies with Ms Carrington	Physics revision with Mrs Ball Yr 10 Study Buddies	Chemistry higher / foundation with Ms Carrington
SOCIOLOGY				Sociology Study Support in M1	
AFTER SCHOOL					
DESIGN TECHNOLOGY			Coursework Ninjas in D2		
ENGLISH			Tackling the Comparison Q in M9 with Ms Guzy		
MATHS		Higher Tier (Mr Cooling) Higher Tier (Mrs Ram)			
		Aim for a B grade (targeted students) Mr Williams Foundation Tier (Mr Evans)			
MUSIC				Target Students Study Support in D7 3.00pm to 4.00pm	
PE		PE Study Support in W1 3.00pm to 4.00pm			
SCIENCE	Biology Higher – Ms Carrington Chemistry Foundation – Ms Variava Physics Higher – Mrs Ball Physics Foundation – Mr Taunton Chemistry Higher – Ms Miah			Physics – Mrs Ball	