

This Week

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From the Principal:

Next week, students will receive information about Christmas lunch and we hope you will encourage your daughter to attend. Year 9 students are busy organising our annual collection for Age UK Christmas Hampers and other students will be involved in rehearsals for our Christmas showcase.

Many students have achieved well in lessons and achieved good behaviour and attendance this term. We will be celebrating their success with our end of term reward events. You can support your daughter by taking a few minutes to talk to her about how well you feel she has done this term and what you think she can do to end the term well.

Alison Merrills

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

'What does advent mean to you?'

COLLEGE CALENDAR

Term dates for 2014-2015 are available on the College website: www.sjncc.leicester.sch.uk

5 December Year 10 Clothes Show Visit
10 December Parent Forum 5pm
16 December Whole College Christmas Lunch
19 December College closes for Christmas

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 **Wednesday 10 December at 5pm**. Taking place in the new Latimer building, this meeting will last for an hour and will be a discussion about Parent Pay and Portal.

If you are able to join us, please send an email for the attention of Stephanie Scargill (SScargill@sjncc.leicester.sch.uk) or ring the College (01162708116) and leave a message.

We look forward to seeing you.

Alison Merrills

ATTENDANCE Who did well last week?

| | Year to date | % | w/e 21/11/2014 | % |
|----------------------------|--------------|------|----------------|-------|
| Year 7 | 7.3 & 7.8 | 98.5 | 7.8 | 100.0 |
| | 7.2 | 98.4 | 7.2 & 7.6 | 99.2 |
| | 7.5 | 97.8 | 7.3 | 99.1 |
| Year 8 | 8.1 | 97.4 | 8.1 | 99.3 |
| | 8.9 | 96.6 | 8.2 | 95.6 |
| | 8.5 | 96.5 | 8.5 | 95.4 |
| Year 9 | 9.6 | 97.1 | 9.3 | 98.5 |
| | 9.8 | 97.0 | 9.2 | 98.4 |
| | 9.2 | 96.0 | 9.8 | 98.1 |
| Year 10 | 10.6 | 96.3 | 10.5 | 98.8 |
| | 10.5 | 96.2 | 10.7 | 95.8 |
| | 10.7 | 95.1 | 10.6 | 95.4 |
| Year 11 | 11.5 | 97.4 | 11.7 | 100.0 |
| | 11.2 | 97.3 | 11.2 & 11.3 | 98.5 |
| | 11.3 | 97.2 | 11.8 | 98.4 |
| Overall College attendance | | 95.6 | | 95.6 |

CHILDREN IN NEED 2014

On Friday 14 November this year, Sir Jonathan North once again helped raise money for Children in Need. This year's theme was 'Be a Hero' so a non-school uniform day was organised in which students had the opportunity to come dressed as a superhero or their personal hero.



7.4 and 7.7 also held a cake sale on the day to help raise even more money. Many thanks to Grace Sore in 7.7 for organising this!

As well as this, we organised a teacher catwalk. We had many teachers involved and some of the people they were dressed up as included Albert Einstein, Gertrude Bell, Amelia Earhart and even Darth Vader! Thank you very much to all staff who participated and helped run the different events happening on the day.

In total we raised nearly £1200 this year because of your help! Thank you

The Student Council Executive

CHRISTMAS SHOWCASE

You are invited to come along and enjoy an evening of Music, Drama and Dance this Thursday 4 December.

The show is taking place in our Dance/Drama studio and is from 6-8 pm. The evening will be a sharing of work created in lessons and our extra-curricular clubs. Tickets are being sold on the door at £3 for adults and £2 for children. There will also be refreshments available to purchase on the night during our interval in the dining room.

We look forward to seeing you there.



Expressive Arts Team

VISIT TO OVERDALE JUNIOR SCHOOL

In their assembly this week, Overdale Juniors hosted Mrs Thornber and seven of our very talented Key Stage 3 musicians. This was part of their focus on live music, covering a wide variety of styles and genres:

- **Megan Erridge** performed a piece called 'Struttin' at the Waldorf' on piano.
- **Esme Garland** performed a traditional tabla piece on the table.
- **Anna Devries** performed a piece called 'Perpetual Motion' on the violin.
- **Tallulah Wheatley** sang 'Naughty' from Matilda.
- **Evie Spooner** and **Annie McChrystal** performed contrasting piano pieces.
- **Frances Pooley** performed a saxophone piece.



The students were very professional and the staff and students at Overdale Junior School were very impressed by the quality and enthusiasm of the performers.



Mrs Thornber, Curriculum Team Leader Expressive Arts

MEDIA IN A FLUTTER OVER CHICKEN JUMPERS!

Ten of our student knitters went to Pets' Corner at Abbey Park this week to hand over their festive hand knits and help keep some ex-battery hens cosy this winter.

The girls had a lovely time catching the chickens and dressing them up warmly in their lovely designs. There was lots of media interest and our students were interviewed about their knitting by local radio, the Leicester Mercury and filmed for TV – they were real stars!

"When I heard about making jumpers for chickens I thought it was really funny and that made me want to make one!"

Abida Awal 10.2

"As soon as I heard about it, I just had to help! Seeing the chickens walking around in their little Christmassy jumpers was so adorable! It was great fun going to Abbey Park to see them and getting interviewed by the news crew and being on radio."

Emily Julian 10.7

Well done to:

Emily Julian 10.7, Emily King 10.8, Sophie Naylor 10.5, Grace Pointon 10.6, Olive Shaw 10.4, Abida Awal 10.2, Sheela Payne 10.4, Amber Burston 7.1, Isobel Evans 7.2, Amy Orwin 7.2

See our chicken story on pukaarnews.com and at www.leicester.gov.uk



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