

# This Week

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## From the Principal:

Last night we were very pleased to meet Year 7 parents who attended Year 7 Parents' Evening. We are delighted to report that our new Year 7 students have settled well into the life of the College.

We encourage parents to contribute to decisions made about curriculum changes and policies which affect how students are taught and cared for at College. Parents can do this by completing the questionnaire at Parents' Evenings and by attending our Parent Forum which meets once a term. We want to know how we can make changes that will help the College continue to improve.

The next meeting of the Parent Forum is on Thursday 10 December.

Alison Merrills

## EXAM INFORMATION

Students in Year 9 were given an envelope this week containing their Unique Learner Number. This letter should be kept in a safe place at home. This number is used to record the results of all qualifications taken by your daughter and it is a requirement that we make all students aware of what personal data is held by the 'Skills Funding Agency', a government body, and their right to 'opt out' of sharing their personal information. There are two documents on the college website: the 'SFA Extended Privacy Notice' and the 'SFA Personal Learning Records containing useful information for learners and parents' on the 'About the College' tab under 'Exam Information'.

Mrs Broughton, Exams

## MATHEMATICS

All young people interested in mathematics should join The Society of Young Mathematicians (SYMS) NOW!

Every term members will receive the SYMS Newsletter - **SYMMetryplus**, which contains short articles, news, things to do, calculator hints, book reviews, games, puzzles and competitions. Members also receive termly copies of the journal **Mathematical Pie**. **Mathematical Pie** contains interesting maths problems, puzzles and articles. SYMS encourages and supports mathematical activities for young mathematicians of all ages. SYMS members will receive SYMMetryplus and Mathematical Pie delivered direct to their homes. There is a small charge of £10 per year. If you are interested, please collect a form from L8 or you can complete a form via the website:

<http://www.ma.org.uk/SYMS>.

Mrs Odedra-Patel, Maths Team

## THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

'When someone does something good, applaud!  
You will make two people happy.'

Samuel Goldwyn

## COLLEGE CALENDAR

Term dates for 2015-2016 are available on the College website:

[www.sjncc.leicester.sch.uk](http://www.sjncc.leicester.sch.uk)

16 October	College closes for Half Term
26 October	College Opens
29 October	Year 7 Gifted Evening

## TIP OF THE WEEK



Track how long tasks take. A lot of people who are constantly late have trouble determining how long it takes them to perform different tasks. You might think that it takes 25 minutes to get ready in the morning, when the reality is that it takes you a lot longer than that.

## STARS OF THE WEEK!

One student with 100% attendance and no late marks in the previous week is selected at random from each year group as the 'Star of the Week.' Their names are announced in assembly and they will be able to choose a small prize. Everyone has a chance to win every week. Just be here and be on time!

Our Stars of the Week are:



Year 7	Leoni Brunetto 7.9
Year 8	Daisy Moore 8.8
Year 9	Nabeela Mullan 9.4
Year 10	Phoebe Pyatt 10.6
Year 11	Anjum Jakhura 11.6



Sadie Ram, Senior Assistant Principal

## WOMAN OF THE WEEK

Rebecca Lolosoli

Woman's activist - Kenya

The rights we want:

We want to choose our husband,

We want to own the land,

We want to go to school,

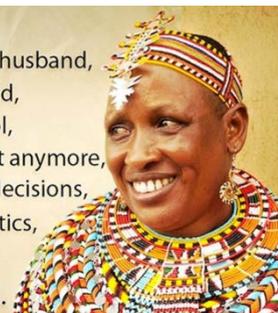
We don't want to be cut anymore,

We want also to make decisions,

We want respect in politics,

To be leaders,

We want to be equal.



## WET WEATHER CARE

Please be careful with library books or other resources in the wet weather. If you carry a drink bottle, remember not to keep it next to books or other resources because if there is a leak, there may be damage.

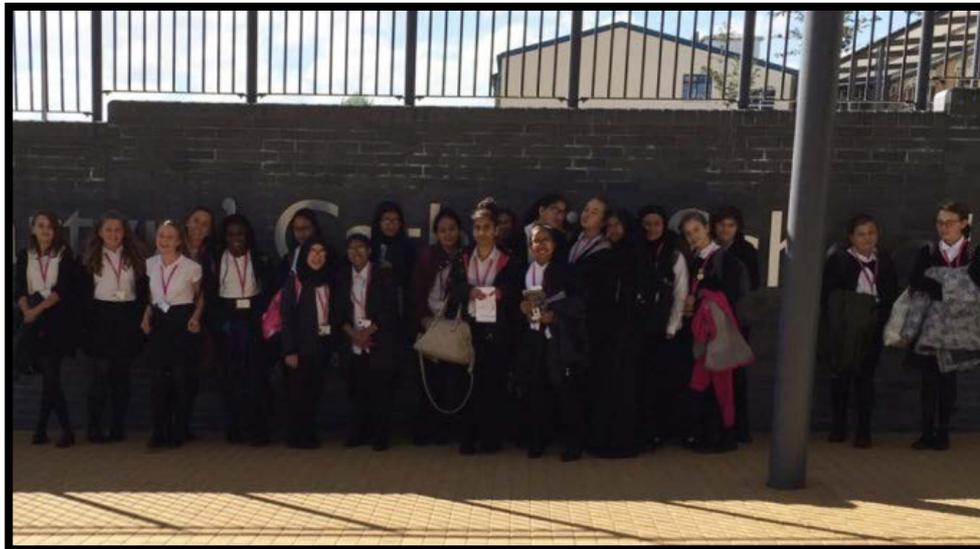
The library cannot accept damaged books or other resources and you may have to replace the item.

Thank you



Mrs Vyas, Librarian

## YEAR 8 VISIT HELEN SKELTON



'On Wednesday 30 September 2015, twenty four Year 8 students went to English Martyrs School to meet author, former Blue Peter presenter and record breaker Helen Skelton. Helen spoke about her amazing kayaking experience across the Amazon and her best-selling novel 'Amy Wild, Amazon Summer'. We had many opportunities to ask Helen questions about her life as an author and her Amazon adventure. We were very privileged to take part in the 'Everybody's Reading Festival' and hope we can do so again.'- **Lucy Jackson 8.3**

'She inspired us to read more books'- **Samia Khan 8.4**

'I learned a lot about Helen and why it is important to read'- **Grace Hill 8.1**

**Mrs Taylor, English Team**

## YEAR 8 GEOGRAPHY TRIP TO CARSINGTON RESERVOIR

On Thursday 1 October, the Geography team took over one hundred Year 8 students to Carsington reservoir in Derbyshire. Students walked across the dam, visited the wildlife centre and learnt about water in the interactive exhibition. The students had a very enjoyable day and we were impressed by their enthusiasm and hard work.

'I enjoyed our trip because I saw some animals that live on the reservoir and learnt about not wasting water.' **Samira Sultana 8.9**

'I think it was really good. I loved the long walk along the reservoir but it was a bit cold!' **Nikola Grycuk 8.5**

'The Geography trip to Carsington was a very inspiring trip to go on. I would advise you to visit as there are lots of things that you can do and explore. The reservoir is a very beautiful sight and you can learn about wildlife and water.' **Marwa Hamood 8.6**

**Miss White, Geography Team**

## EUROPEAN DAY OF LANGUAGES 2015



Last week, staff and students celebrated the European day of languages, which falls on 26 September. It has been all about celebrating cultural diversity and reinforcing the importance of language learning. The Languages team have been running a series of activities for students such as: the Lingua-vision song contest where students have been singing and dancing along to French or Spanish songs. Voting will take place next week. Language quizzes, a guess-what-languages-staff-speak treasure hunt, Salsa Dancing Club and French and Spanish cinema club. Staff have also been involved by greeting students in a foreign language and guessing the language of the day and which staff member speaks that language.

It has been fantastic to see students participating in a variety of fun activities and getting excited about languages. Some of the comments from students are:

During this week, my languages lessons were more enjoyable and we took part in many different activities. I think this week has been a huge success'. **Fatimah Mulla 9.7**

'I have enjoyed answering the teachers for the register in different languages. It was fun'. **Isha Anjum 9.8**

'Languages week was really good and fun. There was salsa club, cinema club, quiz, competitions between teachers and we danced. It was really good, we worked as a team and we all enjoyed it'. **Shifa Ahmad 9.9**

'I think languages week has been very enjoyable and I would really like it to happen again next year! The song contest was great fun to do, as was the quiz'. **Lucia Guzy-Kirkden 9.9**

'I really enjoyed this week as there were numerous activities to take part in. My most favourite part this week was the song that we had to sing and dance to in lesson! Hopefully next year there will be even more activities to take part in'. **Neha Patta 9.8**

'The best of the languages week was the dancing and singing in the lesson to a French song'. **Wiktorja Kaszubowska 9.8**

**Modern Foreign Languages Team**