



HILL TOP NEWS



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A Newsletter from St John's Business & Enterprise College

PENITENTIAL SERVICE



The Easter Penitential Service took place on Tuesday, 26th March 2013. The Prayer service was led by our School Chaplain Fr MacEntee and all our Year 9 students took part in the liturgy. This was followed by a celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the whole school community. The Pope John Paul II Award Group assisted Mrs Corry with the organisation and preparation of the service. The Year 13 students are successfully en route to achieving their well deserved Pope John Paul Award.

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DOING IT FOR DARA



On Friday 3rd May, St John's Business & Enterprise College, Dromore, held a special day to help raise funds for "Doing it for Dara." Louise McPhillips, Donna McPhillips and the Year 13's organised a non-uniform day and charity quiz within the school which was a great success.



The school raised an astonishing £202. This is a huge credit to the staff and students for their generosity. The presentation of the cheque was made to Claire Mc Williams and her daughter Emma on Thursday 9th May by Louise, Donna and the Year 13's.

AL STAR AWARDS

Congratulations to Peter Teague and Maurice McCloughan on achieving a Tyrone Vocational School All Star Award. The boys were presented with their awards in Quinn's Corner, on Tuesday, 7th May 2013.



YEAR 11 TYRONE VOCATIONAL SCHOOL BLITZ

St John's hosted the Tyrone Vocational Schools Year 11 Blitz on the 16th April 2013. The Blitz was organised by the Year 13 students and seven schools in the Tyrone area took part in the competition.

Head boy Conor Donnelly presenting to the winning team



YEAR 9 MANDARIN CLASSES



Mollie, Amy and Dora with Cheri
from the University of Ulster

Year 9's have embarked on a 10 week Mandarin class with Cheri and the University of Ulster. We will update their progress in our next newsletter.



ST JOHN'S 200 CLUB (TEN WEEK DRAW)

Week 3 - Winners - 12th April 2013

1st Prize £200

Una Malone sold by Andrea Gallen

2nd Prize £50

Mr J Ball sold by Mr Ball

3rd Prize £25

Patricia McCarroll sold by Stephen Maguire

Week 5 - Winners - 26th April 2013

1st Prize £200

Geraldine McGirr sold by Emma Spratt

2nd Prize £50

Marie Slevin sold by Dermott Logue

3rd Prize £25

Anita McNulty sold by Michelle McMahan

Week 7 - Winners - 10th May 2013

1st Prize £200

Andrew Teague sold by Cathy Teague

2nd Prize £50

Colette McMenamin sold by Ronan Slevin

3rd Prize £25

Eugene Gallagher sold by Cathal McGoldrick

Week 9 - Winners - 24th May 2013

1st Prize £200

Kate McDonnell sold by Frank McDonnell

2nd Prize £50

Ross Slevin sold by Shannon Slevin

3rd Prize £25

John Muldoon sold by Fiona Muldoon

ALANNA QUINN RELEASES 2ND SINGLE

Congratulations to Alanna Quinn on the release of her 2nd single called "Hillbilly Pickin' Ramblin' Girl."

Well done to her and we wish her every success with her music career for the future.



Week 4 - Winners - 19th April 2013

1st Prize £200

Marie Campbell sold by Claire McCarney

2nd Prize £50

Gerald McCarney sold by Claire McCarney

3rd Prize £25

Dean O'Neill sold by Dean O'Neill

Week 6 - Winners - 3rd May 2013

1st Prize £200

Michelle Hunter sold by Tomas Hunter

2nd Prize £50

Nora Bradley sold by Miss Bradley

3rd Prize £25

Phillip O'Reilly sold by Ciara McCarney

Week 8 - Winners - 17th May 2013

1st Prize £200

Mary McManus sold by Naomi McManus

2nd Prize £50

Martin McCrory sold by Mrs McCrory

3rd Prize £25

Bernie Bogue sold by Ruairi Slevin

GCSE, ART & DESIGN EXHIBITION

St John's College

GCSE Art and Design Exhibition

Art Department

Monday 10th June

7.00 - 8.00pm

Everyone Welcome

“STRICTLY, NOT SO STRICTLY”

Congratulations to Conor McGurren and his team who won “Strictly, not so Strictly” which took place on the 27th April 2013 in the Mellon Country Inn, Omagh. Conor was in a team of 10 who jived their way to success. They won The People’s Prize, a beautiful Glass Vase. They also raised an astonishing £4000 for “Aware Defeat Depression”. Well done to them all.



TOGETHER THROUGH CULTURE

Year 8 are involved in a Programme called Together Through Culture. This Programme increases knowledge, understanding and awareness of Irish, illustrating its relevance to all who inhabit the island of Ireland, through references to place-names, surnames, music and through imparting some basic words and phrases in Gaelic. It makes pupils aware that the language is a part of their heritage and something they use – perhaps unwittingly – in their everyday lives. Mr Tony Duffy, Tutor teaches the class every Friday, from 10am – 11am for six weeks. Three weeks have been completed so far and Year 8 are thoroughly enjoying the Programme.



JOHN GARRITY LAUNCHES SECOND CD

On Wednesday 3rd March 2013 one of our past pupils, and well-known country music star John Garrity, launched his 2nd album in St John’s Business & Enterprise College. Staff, pupils and members of the community gathered in the school gym for a night of dance and entertainment. John was supported by Ritchie Remo, Gavin Mc Aloon, Sean Corrigan and Hugo Duncan. Alanna Quinn, Year 12, also performed on stage.



DROMORE STUDENTS RAISE MONEY FOR MARIE CURIE



Pupils from St John's College in Dromore have been praised for their magnificent fund-raising efforts after having their heads shaved in support of cancer research. The 16 teenagers, with the permission of their parents, raised £1,495.74 for the Marie Curie Cancer Care charity. They are pictured handing over a cheque to Sheena Havlin, Marie Curie. Congratulations to all involved.



SCIENCE ON WHEELS ROAD SHOW

Key Stage 3 pupils enjoyed a fun and informative morning on Friday, 3rd May at the 'Science on Wheels' Road Show which took place at St Mary's College in Irvinestown. The 'Nutty Professor', Dr Sam, carried out a variety of experiments which dealt mainly with energy and its importance in Science and the world we live in. Pupils had the opportunity to observe and partake in a number of practical activities. All departed the day enlightened.



YEAR 11 & YEAR 13 WORK EXPERIENCE

From 20th - 22nd March our Year 13 students, and from the 25th – 27th March our Year 11 students, were on their work experience in the local community. They found it an invaluable insight into their working futures. They learnt many new skills like working with others and problem solving. It was a great opportunity to get a feel for the work in their chosen career. We would like to take this opportunity to thank all the employers who helped our students in their placement.

