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Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s),

## **Assemblies and Philosophy Themes**

Each week at Monday assembly we introduce a philosophical inspired theme for the week. I will start putting the themes up on the website for you to read. If you would like to read more about these themes please click <a href="here">here</a>.

#### TY in India

Our TY students had a fantastic experience in India running the English out reach program. For some pictures from India please click <a href="here">here</a>.

## **National Flag Day**

On Monday the 7<sup>th</sup> of March second year students Emer, Christian, Kaiya went with Miss Swan to the Thomas F. Meagher Flag Ceremony in Croke Park as part of the 1916 centenary commemorations. For more details please click here.

#### **Proclamation Day and 1916**

The History department have been working very hard to create awareness around the school about the events of 1916. For information about the various activities taking place please click <u>here</u>.

### **Classic Trip to Rome**

On Tuesday 16 February the fifth and sixth year Classical Studies and Latin students went to Rome for the mid-term. What a nice way to spend the break in the Eternal City enjoying the atmosphere and sights. For details and pictures of the trip please click here.

## Seachtain na Gaeilge 2016

An activity packed Sechtain na Gaeilge took place from March 7<sup>th</sup> to March 16<sup>th</sup>. To hear about some of the activities that took place please click <u>here</u>.

## 2<sup>nd</sup> year Mock Trial

For their CSPE action project the 2nd year class put on a mock trial on Monday the 1st of February. For more information please click here.

# **Sports Update**

The girls Ultimate Frisbee team recently travelled up to Beaumont to take part in an Ultimate Frisbee Blitz. The girls played brilliantly on the day winning all 3 of their matches. For more information on sports activities please click <u>here</u>.

## **Clover Hill Trip**

On Tuesday the 1<sup>st</sup> of March the third year CSPE class visited Cloverhill Courthouse and Prison in Clondalkin. For more information about the visit please click <u>here</u>.

## **French Play**

On Friday, 11th March, The French Theatre for Schools came to John Scottus in what has now become something of an annual tradition. This time they performed the play "Le Rendez-Vous" or "A meeting!" for all the students from 1st to 3rd year. For more information please click <a href="here">here</a>.

# Romeo and Juliet

The First Year girls and boys were very pleasantly surprised when they visited The Helix Theatre in DCU to see Cyclone Rep's performance of Romeo and Juliet. For more details on the visit please click <u>here</u>.

## Social Media workshop

On Tuesday Feb 23<sup>rd</sup> our 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> years participate in a workshop to raise awareness of social media. As part of the workshop they complete a survey on habits and trends on using social media. To see the results please click <u>here</u>.

# **Cookery course**

A cookery course lasting 6 weeks is starting. All students can attend. For information about the course please click <u>here</u>.

## John Scottus on India TV

John Scottus students have performed a famous poem by the philosopher Adi Shankara on India TV. Please click <u>here</u> to see the clip.

#### Summary of Events coming up

Start of summer Term, Monday April 4<sup>th</sup>
Parent Nights about Transition Year 2016/2017, Wednesday April 27<sup>th</sup>
Parents Night on our Senior Cycle Academy, Wednesday April 27<sup>th</sup>
French LC Orals, Week beginning April 11<sup>th</sup>
Irish LC Orals, Week beginning April 18<sup>th</sup>
School Holidays, Friday April 29<sup>th</sup>, and Monday May 2<sup>nd</sup> (Bank Holiday)
TY Shakespeare Play, May 25<sup>th</sup> to May 28th

## A philosophical thought for the day

"For every minute you are angry you lose sixty seconds of happiness."

- Ralph Waldo Emerson

Yours sincerely,

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