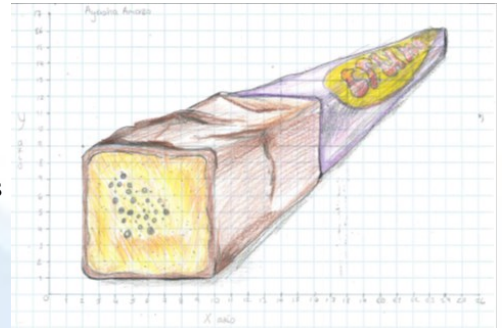


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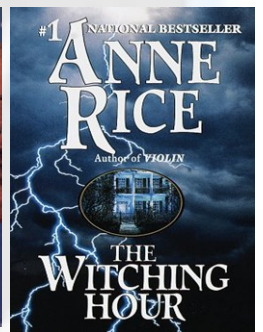
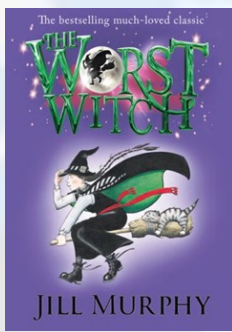
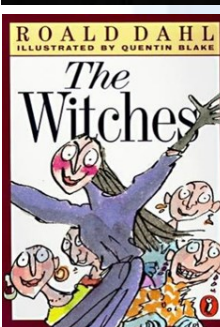
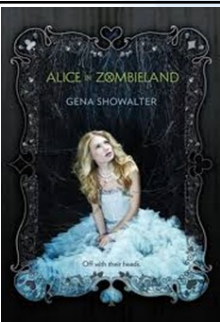
Pupils have now completed their cross-curricular Maths and Art task. The picture below was created by Ayeisha Amores in 8HE. This is just one of the masterpieces created by the Year 8 students. The co-ordinate grid was created in Maths and a series of enlargements were created. These drawings were then taken to Art where they were turned into works of Art like the one here.

Mr Irvine



St Michael's Halloween Reading Challenge

St Michael's Halloween challenge has been launched for each year group to encourage wide and critical reading across the college. Students need to read one of the Gothic tales from the list and write a review for their English teacher. There will be prizes – so watch this space!



Year 11 Theatre Trip

Theatre Trip On the 15th September 2014, the Year 11 GCSE Drama class went to watch 'The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night Time' at the Gielgud Theatre in the West End. The play features a teenage boy, Christopher, who suffers from Asperger's Syndrome, who takes us on a journey, showing how he copes with his family, as well as strangers, his relationships, his pet rat Toby, and his teacher, who also narrates the play and is his conscience. We experience his struggles with him, building an emotional connection with him and the people in his life throughout the play, achieved through many theatrical techniques. Our seats were in the stalls, meaning we had a brilliant, effective view of the show. The majority of the class said they would see the play again because it showed us somebody's life in a difficult but interesting perspective; it was something we had never seen before. In my opinion, the overall message of the play was that everything may not be as it seems; we cannot judge solely on what we can see because we do not know the background. Also, we shouldn't limit ourselves because even people with unfortunate and life-affecting conditions which limited them can get far in life, like Christopher being able to get A* in A-level Maths. The play motivated and inspired many people in the audience and I to push myself because it makes me feel that if people who have worst struggles than me in life can succeed greatly, then so can normal people like me.

Saffron Mustafa—Year 11



POETRY BY HEART

The new round of Poetry by Heart, the prestigious National Poetry competition founded by Sir Andrew Motion, the ex Poet Laureate will begin at St Michael's after half term. Students need to learn two poems off by heart (obviously!) and be able to recite them to an audience. The poems are from a prescribed list and must include one pre 1914 poem and one more recent poem. The competitors need to convey understanding of the poems as well as know them perfectly.

For two years running St Michael's students have successfully competed in the county finals – maybe this time we will get through to the finals which will be held at Homerton College Cambridge in the Spring.

The competition will be run by Miss El-Janby and is open to all Year 10 students.



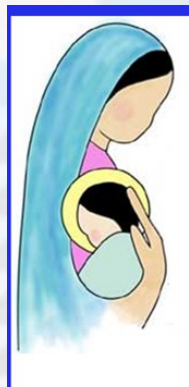
Chaplain's Corner

Every break time during the month of October we have been praying the rosary. This has been a really lovely time of prayer with a mixture of staff and students alike. We have worked our way through the Joyful, Luminous and Sorrowful mysteries, and just started the Glorious.

The feedback has been great with students asking if we can carry on in November too.

After half term we will be focussing our prayers on those who have died and encouraging students to enter the names of people that they want to pray for in to a special prayer box which will be offered up at Mass every Friday morning.

Please join us in prayer this November as we pray for you too. Have a Blessed and Happy half term
Cleo Gammon - College Chaplain



Hail Mary

Hail Mary, full of grace,
the Lord is with thee.
Blessed art thou among women,
and blessed is the fruit of thy
womb, Jesus.

Holy Mary, Mother of God,
pray for us sinners,
now, and at the hour of our death.

Amen

News from the Office

Lost property - Now it is getting colder and students have coats with them can we please remind you to put their names in the coats in case they get lost and to remind your children to come and ask if they have lost something. Often we have lost property that is never claimed and if lost property has no name on we have no way of reuniting it with its owner.

Free School Meals - If you think your child may be eligible for Free School Meals please do get in touch with the office - you may be able to save nearly £14 per week.

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Forthcoming Dates

27-31 Oct	-	Half Term
19 Nov	-	Yrs12-13 Parents Evening
26-28 Nov	-	Yr 10 Retreat
27 Nov	-	Yr 9 Curriculum Evening
4 Dec	-	Yr 11 Parents Evening
8-9 Dec	-	Yr 9 Core Exams
12-17 Dec	-	Yrs11-13 Mock Exams
12-18 Dec	-	Yrs 7-10 End of Term Exams
17 Dec	-	Sixth Form Christmas Dinner
19 Dec	-	End of term
22 Dec - 2 Jan	-	Christmas Holiday
5-6 Jan 2015	-	Inset Days
7 Jan 2015	-	Students return to college

Calling all Parents!

We have an e suggestion box on our website where you can post any helpful suggestions that you have or any feedback on our policies or procedures to help us to improve. We would be grateful for any constructive suggestions that you give. The e – suggestion box can be found in the 'Contact us' section of the College website.

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