



## The Official Weekly Newsletter for Junior College Students 12 April 2019 | Issue 26



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## Changes in Room Allocations

Changes in room allocation on the fourth floor of Blocks C and D, Block A ground floor and Basement Area will start on **Monday 29 April**, after the Easter recess. Notices are available in the Foyer. In case of queries please contact Ms Marthese Azzopardi at the Office of the Principal (Room B004).

## Join the Chaplaincy this Easter

The following celebrations will be held at the University of Malta Chapel. Junior College staff and students are welcome to attend.



Use this [link](#) for the Easter Celebrations at University Chapel



## Physics Value Education Seminar 2019

The Department of Physics has organized the annual Value Education Seminar 2019 at the Mellieha Bay Hotel from Friday 29 March to Saturday 30 March. Both first and second year students taking Physics attended this activity which was overbooked. The main event on Friday was a star gazing activity organized in collaboration with the UM Institute of Space, Science and Astronomy. Mr Josef Borg and Mr Andrew Finch assembled the telescopes and gave a lot of information to the students. On Saturday, the students were given a Yoga Session before breakfast to emphasize the importance of a healthy lifestyle. Students enjoyed the Treasure Hunt which was packed with applications of Physics Concepts and emphasised the value of teamwork. Saturday afternoon was dedicated to Seismology. After a very interesting talk on "What lies beneath?", the staff and the students had a Geology walk in the area, with the HOD of Geoscience, Prof. Pauline Galea.



## Talks organised by the Department of Foreign Languages

The Department of Foreign Languages (together with the departments of Malti and English) organized two very interesting talks on the opportunity of working in the EU.

The first talk, held on March 20, was part of the 'Back to School' initiative which saw officials of the EU institutions revisit their old schools to talk about their European career choice, their current jobs and the challenges and opportunities of living and working across borders. Mark Vella shared his experience of working as a translator in the European Commission in Brussels.

The second talk held on April 4, was delivered by Dr Claire Debono who spoke about the challenges of working as a lawyer-linguist in the European Court of Justice.

Both speakers emphasised the importance of studying languages by way of obtaining extremely rewarding careers.



## Eurodesk Event

Aġenzija Żgħażaġħ is organising a Eurodesk Event which aims to empower mobility on the 30 of April 2019. Participants have the chance of sailing to different locations of interest. There will be ongoing fun activities related to learning about mobility opportunities and becoming active citizens. Two youth activists will also be joining and interacting with the participants. If you are interested, collect the registration form from the Youth Worker's Office. For any queries please contact Roberto on [roberto.calleja@um.edu.mt](mailto:roberto.calleja@um.edu.mt)

Hurry places are limited. Registrations are accepted until 16 April 2019.



eurodesk

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## Collection of Soft Toys; Bazaar items; Bedding & Animal Food

The JC4Others Committee will be collecting soft toys in good condition, bazaar items, bedding & animal food for future charity activities along the third term. Please bring these items after Easter recess till Friday 3rd May. All items will be collected at the Chaplain's Office in Room C016, or the Office of the Principal.



## Application form Karta Żgħażaġh

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The European Youth Card is all about giving you the opportunity to do more so you can reach your full potential. It helps you travel across Europe, meet incredible people and make new friends. It also gives you great opportunities to learn new things and kick start your career, make a real change in your community and become a well-informed and active citizen that shapes society.

For more information please use this link  
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The image shows a digital application form for the European Youth Card. At the top left is the 'eyca' logo and the text 'European Youth Card'. To the right is the European Union flag. Below the logo is the hashtag '#this time im voting'. The form fields are: 'Cardholder Name' with a placeholder 'Firstname Surname'; 'Date of Birth' with '00.00.0000' and 'Valid Until' with '00.00.0000'; and 'Card Number' with 'EYC 123 456'.

## Fieldwork at Xrobb I-Għagin Park

On Monday 8 April, the Department of Biology organised a Fieldwork event related to ecological investigations at Xrobb I-Għagin Park. This trip was organised in compliance with the MATSEC Advanced Biology Syllabus for all first year Advanced Biology students. A team of lecturers and lab officers accompanied the students throughout the event. The fieldwork was divided into three outdoor activities collecting ecological data using line transect and followed by belt transect methods.



- The third term will start on Monday 29 April 19
- Next issue of The College Bulletin will be published on Friday 3 May 19

Happy Holidays

## Awareness on the School Mobility Scheme

On 3 April, the JC Environmental Committee organized an event regarding the School Mobility Scheme. The cycling experience was shared between the Environmental Committee (c/o Dr Ing. Ronald Cuschieri); Mr Steve Zammit Lupi (Bicycle Advocacy Group); Ms Cynthia Caruana (Eko-Skola) and two JC students who participated in the scheme: Luke Borg and Malcolm Vassallo.

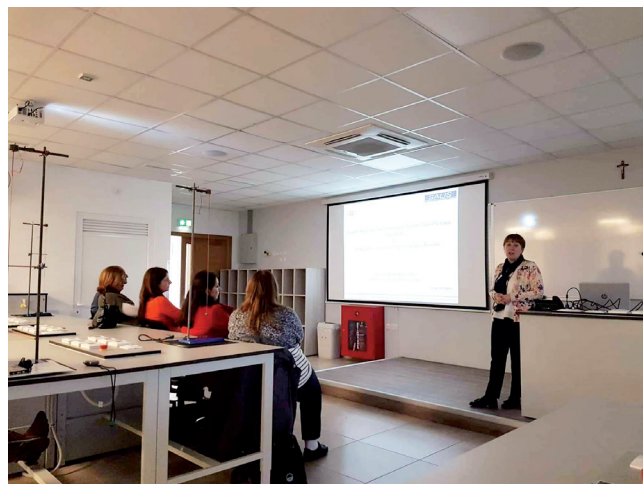


The College strongly encourages students to travel by bike and is committed to meet their needs to promote a more sustainable environment. This year the College in-conjunction with Eko-Skola had allotted a 50 Euro Voucher to a number of students and lecturers to participate in a fifteen-day cycling period.

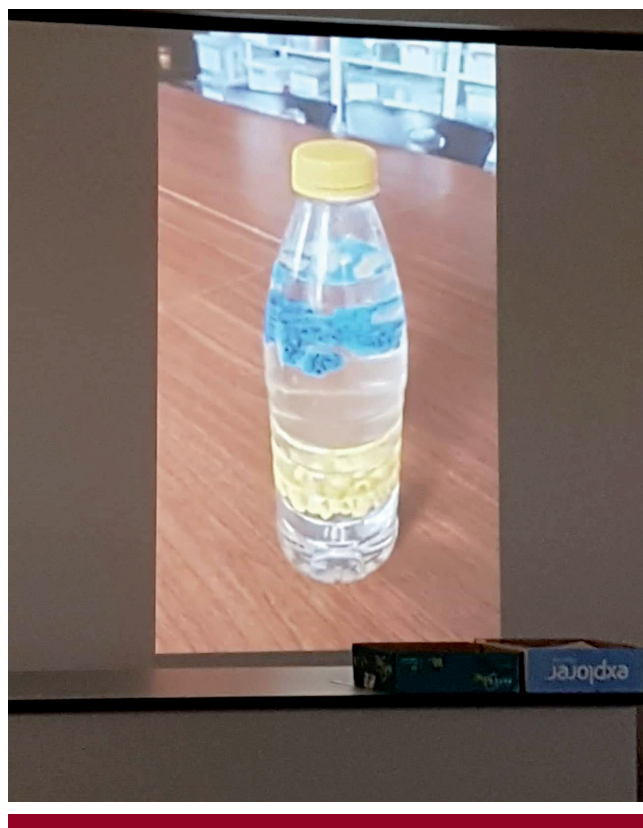
Feel free to follow Bicycle Advocacy Group on Facebook and also comment encourage other students to cycle to College. Always ride safely to create a positive climate based on cycling being a green mode of transport for an improved social well-being.



## Physics Staff Development Meeting



The last event for this term organized by the Physics Department was a talk for the Physics Staff by Prof Marika Kapanadze from the University of Georgia. Science student teachers from the University of Malta joined our staff for the presentation. The talk took place in the JC Physics Department on Wednesday 10 April 2019. The first part of the presentation was entitled: High School Teachers' Perceptions on Inquiry Based Science Curriculum in United States, Georgia and Israel while the second part focused on Low cost technologies in Science Education. After the presentation, those present were given time to ask questions, comment and discuss.



## Visits to the University

On Tuesday, 9 April 2019, the Physics Department organised a visit for first and second Year students taking Physics at Advanced or Intermediate Level to the Faculty of Engineering, at the University of Malta.



The students were greeted by two members of the academic staff from the Faculty of Mechanical Engineering and were divided into two groups. Each group was taken around all the labs where engineering students carry research. The specialization of the labs included fluids, air conditioning and engines like wind turbines, steam engines and automobile engines. They were also shown the cars the engineering students build to take part in international races.

Then the students visited the Faculty of Electrical Engineering. There they were given talks about the course and were also taken around the labs to see the students working on their masters and Ph.D. projects.

This visit helped our students to do an informed choice about their prospective profession.



## Il-Maltin fl-Ewropa

Grupp Hsieb Hieles JC organizza dibattitu politiku bit-titlu 'Il-Maltin fl-Ewropa' nhar it-Tlieta 9 ta' April fil-JC Conference Room. Roberta Metsola (PN), Anthony Buttigieg (PD), Mina Tolu (AD), Miriam Dalli (PL), Antoine P. Borg (Indep) u Arnold Cassola (Indep.) kollha kandidati Maltin għall-Parlament Ewropew laqgħu l-istudjanti u attendew bi hġarhom. Il-moderazzjoni kienet f'idejn l-istudenti u l-lezzur David Aloisio. Il-mistoqsijiet kollha kienu magħmula u ndirizzati mill-istudenti nfushom.



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