

The Seagull



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JRCS Open Evening

15th September 2016

6:00pm – 9:00pm

HEADTEACHER'S NEWS

Welcome back

A warm welcome back to all our students at JRCS. I especially want to welcome our new Year 7 students who started with us on Tuesday of this week.

I also want to take the opportunity to congratulate our Year 10, 11, 12 and 13 students on their excellent examination results this Summer. Our Key Stage 4 results were our best ever. Next week's Seagull will contain more details and photos of this Summer's successes.



Congratulations to Moyin Adetoye who achieved 10A*s at GCSE (pictured above with Councillor Evelyn Carpenter, Cabinet Member for Educational Attainment & School Improvement).

Open Evening Thursday 15th September 6:00pm – 9:00pm and late start Friday 16th September.

Next Thursday, one of most important events of the year takes place at JRCS. Our Open Evening for all prospective Year 6 parents and carers will take place between 6:00pm and 9:00pm. This is a great opportunity for our prospective new students to have a look at the school and find out about all the opportunities that JRCS has to offer.

As many of our students will be involved in the evening itself, we will be starting the following school day with registration at 11:15am and period 3 beginning as usual at 11:30am.

Changes to the timings of the school day
Please see the timetable on the back page of this edition of The Seagull which details the changes.

Students will be dismissed from school at **1.30pm every Wednesday**. However, lunches will be served up until 2:00pm for any students who wish to stay. From 2:00pm to 3:00pm there will be a planned programme of sport, intervention, educational activities and homework clubs, details of which will be circulated at a later date.

These after school activities will be run in conjunction with Castle Green and students can voluntarily join the activities. Some may

be compulsory and parents will be notified individually if this is the case. Can all parents please ensure they read the letter sent home with students today.

The period that students will miss on Wednesday afternoon will now be replaced by a **6 period day on a Monday**, with students being dismissed from school at **4.05pm**.

The other significant change is that students will no longer register with their tutors at the end of the school day. The final electronic registration of the day will take place during the last lesson of the day. **On Tuesday, Thursday and Friday students will therefore be dismissed from school at 3.05pm.**

Mr Smith
Headteacher



GENERAL NEWS

Child Protection

We would like to inform parents of staff responsible for child protection at JRCS: Ms Kaur, Mr Christie, Mrs O'Keefe and Mrs Staggs. Please don't hesitate to contact any of the team if you have any concerns.

Thank you.

Ms Kaur
Inclusion Manager

Year 7 – 'The Island' day

On Tuesday 6th September, our new Year 7s had their first day at Jo Richardson based on a fictional Island. The students took part in a number of sessions across a range of departments, from building a communications tower in Maths to transporting a secret code across the Island in Dance. The day was focused around three core principles which made up our whole school numeracy

programme 'Go Figure'; problem solving, reasoning and decision making. The students were fantastic and their contributions and discussions were really impressive.

Megan McCabe, 7F, has kindly shared her experience of the day:
"We had to build a 'communication tower' to track satellite signals, the higher the better. It had to be constructed out of spaghetti strands (hard but easy to snap) which acted as beams and also marshmallows (easy to puncture, good for support) which acted as a corner support. The challenge was to see how high we could build it and also how cheap. I have learned that working in a group is a great learning experience as well as a fun bonding experience – overall it was a real success. The difficulties were making our tower stable, which was a problem for most groups but with strategical thinking we managed to overcome it. Although there were a few minor challenges in this lesson, our group did rather well as the lesson went well thanks to the help of the teachers"

Well done Year 7 - a really impressive first day!



Mrs Morris
Head of Maths



Silver DofE Expedition during the final week of last term on the Isle of Wight. All ten students involved did a fantastic job in rising to the challenge of the three-day walk, during which they had to be totally self-reliant. Many thanks also to Mr Dignam who acted as the assessor for both groups, and without whom this expedition could not have taken place. The students involved were; Moyin Adetoye, Aisha Francis, Ibukun Aluko, Kelechi Ogbonna, Teresa Tu, Maryam Heydari, Tolu Oluwole, Ebum Ajala, Oliwia Husak (all Year 12), and Anisha Makwana and Adaeze Ogbonna (former students).



Instrumental Lessons

Instrumental lessons will start from Monday 12th September. Timetables will be sent to you via your form tutor but if you do not have one by Monday, please check the board inside the Music Department for your lesson time. If you no longer wish to take instrumental lessons, please see me as soon as possible.

Thank you

Miss Ford
Music Department

Giant Jellyfish seen in Dance Studio



As part of Unity Day for our new Year 7 cohort, each form was involved in playing parachute games in order to learn some new names and work together as a team. The final challenge of their session was to create a living sculpture of a giant jellyfish using the parachute and make it move across the dance studio! All the form groups I worked with had a really good go at this challenge, and it was a pleasure to meet them at the start of their JRCS journey.

Ms Montague
PE teacher

Duke of Edinburgh Award News

Congratulations to the students in Year 12 and former students who completed their

Year 11 students wanting to start Silver Award

For all Year 11 students wanting to start Silver Award this year there will be a meeting at 3:15pm on Thursday 22nd September in RS1. The meeting will finish by 4pm. Please note that this invitation is open to all Year 11's including those who did not take part in the Bronze Award last year.

New Year 10 Bronze group

Please come to a meeting in FC4 at 3:15pm on Tuesday 13th September. This will be a short meeting to remind you about the forthcoming training expedition on 23rd and 24th September and to prepare you for starting your expedition training this term. The meeting will finish by 4pm.

Year 9 students starting D of E

For all Year 9 students starting D of E your first meeting will be on Tuesday 27th September. Please bring with you your blue cards and a log of the hours of activity that you have completed so far. The meeting will be held in RS1 at 3:15pm.

Ms Montague – Duke of Edinburgh Award Manager



Nicaragua

46 students from the Jo Richardson Community School aged 14 – 18 spent the last 18 months fundraising and preparing their fitness for an exciting True Adventure expedition to Nicaragua on 7th July 2016.

The students faced many challenges on the 16-night expedition. On arriving in Managua the young people had to source and book their own accommodation, food and transport for their 16 day gruelling expedition. The students spent their first nights after landing travelling to Leon and Granada embracing the culture and atmosphere of these vibrant cities. The group then split into three teams for their community project and arduous trekking of four active volcanos. The teams embarked on challenging project work for the charity La Esperanza on Omtepe Island and in Granada, working with children in local schools, teaching, building and painting and building paths and drainage ditches. This work was back breaking in 38-degree heat and 85% humidity. Britney-Lea Ogbebor 16 said “The conditions are hard but I feel amazing making a difference in this school, making it a better and safer place for the local children”.



The teams were challenged emotionally, mentally and physically, working with children in some of the poorest areas of the country. This was followed with several days of trekking to four of the countries many active

volcanos. “We saw some incredible sunsets and sunrises with the most amazing views. I have learnt to push myself beyond my physical limits on this expedition and I am really proud of what I’ve done” - Bobby Edmead aged 14.



The students were encouraged to fully immerse themselves in local life, at times living within the immediate community which challenged their ability to communicate in this predominantly Spanish speaking country. The final two days were spent relaxing on the coast in San Juan Del Sur where there was much reflection about the trip and what the young people had achieved in their time in Nicaragua. Emily Vincent aged 17 – “This has given me a desire to travel more and although it has been physically tough I have loved every minute. Making new friends which will last a life time”.

Teacher and leader of this expedition Ms Boller said “We have been running world expeditions at JRCS for 10 years now and we have taken over 150 students to places such as Kenya, Malaysia and Nicaragua. We often find that passions are kindled and life missions unearthed through taking young people out of their comfort zone. I am so proud of the staff, who give up their time and the students who will remember the sights, sounds and faces for many years to come.

Congratulations to the following students who all achieved 100% attendance during the Summer term 2016:

| Forename | Surname | Class |
|--------------|----------------|-------|
| Emmanuella | Adomo | 7A |
| Elizabeth | Aforts | 7I |
| Candice | Amponsah | 7E |
| Kanya | Archer | 7F |
| Bridget | Aryee-Brown | 7E |
| Mary-Love | Ayogu | 7D |
| Belica | Cofie | 7C |
| Angela | Cokaj | 7G |
| Iyekonnie | Conteh | 7D |
| Jazmine | Defreitas | 7D |
| Nicola | Hicks | 7H |
| Stephanie | James | 7E |
| Faith | Johnson | 7G |
| Belvine | Maketo | 7J |
| Rebecca | Mikeli | 7E |
| Fanyl | Ntumba | 7A |
| Stella | Obareti | 7J |
| Adunola | Olayiwola | 7F |
| Maya | Quagraine | 7H |
| Temitayo | Roberts | 7C |
| Maya | Shah | 7J |
| Abbie | Smith | 7D |
| Ashvini | Sukumaran | 7G |
| Chelsea | Tahiri | 7A |
| Aminate | Taiwo | 7A |
| Mae | Williams | 7C |
| Stephanie | Yorke | 7G |
| Iretomiwa | Ajala | 8F |
| Omone | Akhabhau | 8G |
| Leyla | Demetriou | 8D |
| Holly | Dicko | 8B |
| Shanise | Garner | 8H |
| Obianuju | Ihezuo-Nnadi | 8A |
| Gabija | Kondrotaite | 8A |
| Yasmine | Large | 8D |
| Sara | Marques | 8A |
| Silvia | Martin-Omergie | 8E |
| Molly | McCarthy | 8C |
| Clare | Morgan | 8F |
| Jessica | Musgrove | 8H |
| Jasmine | Mustafa | 8B |
| Gerren | Ntiri | 8G |
| Louise | O'Leary | 8A |
| Laveda-Dione | Ogbebor | 8D |
| Katie-Louise | Oglesby | 8C |

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| Elizabeth | Ogunyanwo | 8G |
| Joy | Osayiwu | 8F |
| Maisie | Payne | 8A |
| Greta | Petrokaite | 8H |
| Khai | Sesay | 8D |
| Ibukunoluwa | Silva- Ope | 8F |
| Kacey | Smith | 8B |
| Caitlin | Tefaj | 8F |
| Anna | Thankam Vargis | 8A |
| Medi | Tietie | 8D |
| Charlotte | Turner | 8C |
| Deanna | Allman | 9D |
| Esther | Aluko | 9B |
| Anthonia | Anorh | 9A |
| Beautiful | Ayogu | 9H |
| Melissa | Aziz | 9H |
| Aaliyah | Batchelor-Grant | 9D |
| Alice | Bone | 9E |
| Katie | Bryan | 9F |
| Alisha | Cordner-Duhaney | 9G |
| Olivia | Dawkins | 9A |
| Tia | Debenham | 9A |
| Jennifer | Dicko | 9G |
| Nicky | Dikongue | 9G |
| Chana | Dunn | 9B |
| Kiarah | Fanning | 9C |
| Emily | Fawsitt | 9D |
| Kristine | Fernandez | 9E |
| Tasnia | Haque | 9G |
| Olivia | Hills | 9G |
| Antonia | Ivanova | 9B |
| Lily | Jones | 9C |
| Jordan | Kesler | 9F |
| Firdaus | Lahmami | 9B |
| Charlotte | Mew | 9A |
| Bonita | Muriuki | 9A |
| Liz | Mwaura | 9B |
| Glory | Nzengo | 9G |
| Darlene | Offei-Kumi | 9E |
| Yewande | Oginni | 9B |
| Samha | Omar | 9C |
| Samaha | Omar | 9A |
| Karina | Read-Lord | 9E |
| Holly | Simpson | 9H |
| Natasha | Stopp | 9G |
| Hanan | Abdulhamid | 10H |
| Megha | Alam | 10G |
| Jodie | Chesney | 10G |
| Angel | Churchward | 10E |
| Sky | Churchward | 10D |

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| Jazmin | Dager | 10A |
| Emma | Davison | 10H |
| Deanna | Hankin | 10G |
| Charlie | Hendricks | 10G |
| Jadene | Holmes | 10D |
| Teri | Keenan | 10G |
| Oliwia | Lopaczewska | 10B |
| Shanice | Makili | 10F |
| Ama Serwa | Moonie-Oduro | 10H |
| Yasmine | Raji | 10H |
| Jogaile | Silkaityte | 10H |
| Katie | Smith | 10F |
| Jennifer | Taborda Da Silva | 10F |
| Grace | Tayo | 10E |
| Roisin | Tomkins | 10B |
| Moyinoluwa Eniola | Adetoye | 11H |
| Ebunoluwa | Ajala | 11D |
| Naomi | Akindele | 11A |
| Melisa | Aksu | 11E |
| Ibukunoluwa | Aluko | 11D |
| Favour | Amechi | 11F |
| Estrela | Andre | 11D |
| Bukola | Azeez | 11D |
| Naima | Azzouz | 11B |
| Taya | Beresford | 11B |
| Ella | Brookes | 11G |
| Kristina | Brown | 11F |
| Banita | Chander | 11G |
| Sophie | Cooper | 11C |
| Pamela | Dicko | 11E |
| Chase | Dodd | 11H |
| Kerri | Edwards | 11F |
| Aiesha | Francis | 11G |
| Leanna | Garrett | 11G |
| Sian | Gilbert | 11D |
| Anisha | Gohil | 11D |
| Abigail | Hall | 11F |
| Katie | Hammond | 11B |
| Katrina | Healy Mumford | 11B |
| Maryam | Heydari | 11C |
| Charley | Hunt | 11C |
| Jessica | Idahosa | 11A |
| Ruxandra | Ilie | 11D |
| Oritsetimeyin | Jacdonmi | 11G |
| Eyram | Kiakia | 11G |
| Lucy | Lombard | 11D |
| Mahfuja Anjum | Mamon | 11E |
| Aida | Marku | 11D |
| Laia-Louise | Marsden | 11H |

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| Eneida | Mazreku | 11F |
| Emily | Meehan | 11C |
| Caroline | Mills | 11C |
| Loide | Miranda | 11A |
| Nicole | Moga | 11F |
| Shantel | Munroe | 11A |
| Sinead | Murphy | 11D |
| Maria | Nafliu | 11F |
| Britney-Lea | Ogbebor | 11C |
| Adaeze | Ogbonna | 11C |
| Kelechi | Ogbonna | 11E |
| Sueda | Oktay | 11D |
| Leanne | Pitt | 11G |
| Delaney | Plunkett | 11H |
| Kleida | Prroni | 11E |
| Maddie | Ramsey | 11H |
| Macey | Roberts | 11B |
| Ayobami | Salami | 11A |
| Rahma | Salum | 11E |
| Ellie | Sanderson | 11H |
| Courtney | Scarff | 11B |
| Isata | Sesay | 11A |
| Aniqa | Sheikh | 11B |
| Aniza | Siddaqua | 11G |
| Ugne | Simkute | 11E |
| Sarah | Singleton | 11E |
| Leanne | Stopp | 11H |
| Sarah | Thomas | 11B |
| Louise | Toms | 11G |
| Teresa | Tu | 11E |
| Esther | Ugowe | 11H |
| Niranjana | Unni | 11F |
| Isioma | Uwajeh | 11E |
| Danica | Wells | 11G |
| Hannah | Wendt | 11B |
| Ellie | Yearsley-Fitter | 11F |



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| Lily | Jones | 9C |
| Darlene | Offei-Kumi | 9E |
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| Samha | Omar | 9C |
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| Oritsetimeyin | Jacdonmi | 11G |
| Aida | Marku | 11D |
| Laia-Louise | Marsden | 11H |
| Eneida | Mazreku | 11F |
| Caroline | Mills | 11C |
| Nicole | Moga | 11F |
| Shantel | Munroe | 11A |
| Adaeze | Ogbonna | 11C |
| Kelechi | Ogbonna | 11E |
| Sueda | Oktay | 11D |
| Ellie | Sanderson | 11H |
| Aniqa | Sheikh | 11B |
| Leanne | Stopp | 11H |
| Teresa | Tu | 11E |
| Esther | Ugowe | 11H |



OFFICE ASSISTANTS

The Office Assistants for next week:

Monday Emmanuella Adomo 8A
 Tuesday Ana Claudia Da Silva 8A
 Wednesday Karis Gregory 8A
 Thursday Ahmed Kassa 8A
 Friday James Kiely 8A



Changes to the timings of the school day

| | School Starts | Periods 1 - 4 | Lunch | Period 5 | Period 6 / After School |
|-----------|------------------------|---------------|--|--|---|
| Monday | 8:30am Registration | As before | As before (1.30pm - 2.10pm) | Normal lesson, then to Period 6 | Period 6 (all except Sixth Form) Students dismissed from Period 6 at 4.05pm After school activities |
| Tuesday | 8:30am Registration | As before | As before (1.30pm - 2.10pm) | Students dismissed from Period 5 (3.05pm) | After school activities |
| Wednesday | 8:30am Registration | As before | Reduced to 30mins. Students dismissed from school at 1.30pm but lunch will be served until 2.00pm for those who wish to stay | After school activities from 2.00pm - 3.00pm | |
| Thursday | 8:30am Registration | As before | As before (1.30pm - 2.10pm) | Students dismissed from Period 5 (3.05pm) | After school activities |
| Friday | 8:30am Registration | As before | As before (1.30pm - 2.10pm) | Students dismissed from Period 5 (3.05pm) | After school activities |