

# The Seagull



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Next week is week 2

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you would like to contribute to the work of your son/daughter's school, please complete and return the form by 4:00pm on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> September.

Mr Smith  
Headteacher



## GENERAL NEWS

### Year 10 and 11 Intervention Timetable

Please take a close look at our Year 10 and Year 11 intervention timetable for the 2017/18 academic year on the back page of this edition of The Seagull. Interventions are compulsory for Year 11 students. If you are a parent of a Year 11 student, we would encourage you to keep a copy of the timetable and help to prompt your son/daughter to attend.

### Year 11 Welcome Evening

On Monday 25<sup>th</sup> September 2017, we are hosting a Welcome to Year 11 Evening. It is a really important event that we hope will be attended by all Year 11 students and parents. The evening will provide you with crucial information regarding this important year of study. The evening will also be attended by representatives from 10 of our GCSE subjects who will be able to answer any questions you might have and will also be handing out important GCSE resources.

I look forward to seeing you all on Monday.

Mr Smith  
Assistant Headteacher

### Important Information for the parents/carers of Year 9 students

As you will be aware all students are required to have a valid Passport and European Health Insurance Card (EHIC) for all



## HEADTEACHER'S NEWS

### Greetings!

This week at JRCS, we held two well attended meetings in order to make sure that parents know exactly how to support their son or daughter in the next stage of their journey at the school. On Tuesday, we met with our Year 13 parents and on Thursday, we welcomed our Year 10 parents to talk about the GCSE courses that their sons and daughters are embarking upon. To continue this theme, next Monday we are inviting all our Year 11 parents to a meeting at 6pm in Boothroyd Hall to get information and support in the lead up to next summer's examinations.

At JRCS we have a strong commitment to establishing good communication with all our parents at key points of each academic year. I look forward to seeing many of our Year 11 parents.

### Parent Governor Vacancy

Just a reminder that we will have a vacancy on our Governing Body for a Parent Governor, commencing 18<sup>th</sup> October. Nomination forms were sent home on 8<sup>th</sup> September with your child but further copies can be obtained from the School Office. If

European school trips abroad **including** day trips. As Year 9 will be visiting Ypres in October 2017, this notice is to give you advance warning that your son/daughter will need to bring these documents to school for photocopying by Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2017 in order to participate in this trip. The EHIC card is free and is valid for five years. If your child does not already have an EHIC card, please apply:

- On-line [www.ehic.org.uk](http://www.ehic.org.uk) (Please use this website address. We have been advised to inform you not to Google EHIC as the official website may not be the first link to appear and other websites for EHIC may charge for the card!) or
- by calling 0845 606 2030, or
- by picking up an application form from the Post Office.

In order to apply, please ensure you have the NHS or National Insurance Number, Surname/Family Name, Forenames and Date of Birth of each applicant.

**Note: If we received a copy of your child's passport/EHIC whilst they were in Year 7 for the trip to France in July 2016 and these are still in date, we DO NOT need to see them again.**

Mrs Whitehead  
Systems & Data Manager

### **Immunisation dates for your diary**

The immunisation programme for this academic year is printed below. Forms will be distributed in the two weeks leading up to the first immunisation; please return all forms promptly.

#### **Year 8**

HPV dose 1: 04/10/2017 – 05/10/2017  
HPV dose 2: 26/04/2018 – 27/04/2018

#### **Year 9**

DTP + Men C: 23/03/2018 – 27/03/2018

Mrs O'Keefe  
Student Services Manager  
Attendance/Safeguarding Lead

### **ARP News**

Dear Parents/Carers,

For the past few years we have run a Support Group for parents of autistic students at JRCS. This has proved to be very successful

and currently we have about 8 to 10 parents who regularly attend. We meet on the first Thursday of every month in the ARP from 3:30pm – 4:30pm. This is an informal meeting where we share our experiences and make new friends over a cup of tea or coffee. We sometimes have guest speakers which not only include professionals but ex-students too. We are acutely aware that having a child with a diagnosis of autism can sometimes leave parents feeling frightened and alone; we have tried to rectify this.

Please note that our next meeting will be on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October and we would be delighted to welcome new parents. For further information please call me on 02087241516.

Hoping to see you soon.

Mrs Guise  
ARP Manager

### **Collection of Art work from Ms Franz**

Students from Ms Franz's class from last year who haven't collected their 'green man' tile, can they please come and collect by the end of Monday 25<sup>th</sup> September.

Thank you.

Art Department

### **JRCS Gold success in the Brecon Beacons**



Last week eight students from Year 12, one ex-student and a student from Robert Clack travelled to the Brecon Beacons National Park in South Wales to complete their Gold Duke of Edinburgh Award qualifying expedition. For some students this had been two years of planning and preparation, for others they had been preparing for at least twelve months. The four day, three night trek took place despite some really wet and windy weather. Despite these conditions, one

group even managed to make it to the top of the highest mountain in South Wales, Pen Y Fan. All the students deserve high praise and congratulations for their resilience and commitment to seeing the expedition through to the end. The students involved were: Gabi Sartauskaite, Ibukun Aluko, Ebum Ajala, Tolu Oluwole, Moyin Adetoye, Maryam Heydari, Aiesha Francis, Kelechi Ogbonna (all Year 13), Nathaniel Atuejide (ex-student) and Rachel Branzikova (Robert Clack School).



Big thanks also go to Andi and Juliet Parker-Smith who stepped in at the last minute to help with staffing the trip, and provided invaluable support when the minibus refused to start!

Ms Montague  
Duke of Edinburgh Award Manager



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### **Year 13 Networked Scholarship @ HSF LLP**

Every year we are fortunate to be invited to be part of the Herbert Smith Freehills Networked Scholarship Scheme. Five Year 12 students are selected to attend two workshops at this prestigious law firm's London offices. They have the opportunity to apply for the scholarship and, if successful, embark on a five year support programme whilst they complete their A levels, move onto university and ultimately get help to network to get their first step onto the employment ladder. Students from eight different London based schools compete for five scholarship places during May/June Year 12. The scholarship launch takes place in the September of the students' Year 13.

I was privileged enough to be invited by Joe Chilton-Booth, 13C, to be his guest at the 2017 Cohort Launch at the start of September. Joe was successful in his application and interview and won a scholarship place. We are immensely proud of this achievement as it means he will have a three week internship during Summer 2018, probably have a business trip to Paris with the firm and also get the opportunity to present a pitch, to one of HSF's top clients, quite possibly Goldman Sachs.

Picture below shows Joe with myself and Honey Sanusi, who is the Citizenship Co-ordinator at HSF, and facilitates the Networked Scholarship Programme.



Joe becomes our 3<sup>rd</sup> successful Networked Scholar – Congratulations!

Miss Campbell  
Deputy Director of Sixth Form

### **Sixth Form get adventurous**

Year 13 ran out of the classroom confines last Wednesday to take on the challenges of two activity centres.

Year 13 knew that the water awaited them at Stubbers! Firstly, they had to overcome the heights of the climbing walls or high ropes activity. Not only did they manage this impressively but they also managed to pose for photos part way up, and even race around the very top level of the high rope area. Abseiling down the towers seemed to take them seconds, some brave enough to try it bouncing down rather than walking! Their grips were tested as they had to navigate the climbing wall areas, as well as turning in circles without falling off.

Then came the rafting! The care taken to strap in the barrels, make sure buoyancy and

balance were top priority of the raft was amusing to see, no-one wanted to fall in! Once all rafts were ready then it was race time; suddenly water was their friend, at least enough to be paddle splashed over the opposing rafts/rafters! The confidence in their raft building skills was sky high as proven by the number of phones taken onto the high seas with them. "They are water-proof", we were told when we expressed our concern over this action, "Yes, but that doesn't mean they don't sink to the bottom of the lake if you drop them", a few worried faces now! The platform was made by several, which soon became a launch pad for jumping in. Having been so careful not to get wet, virtually every rafter came back dripping but also grinning. (Some had even brought the change of clothes suggested on the letter).

Year 13 were great company, got to know others in Year 13 better. Some of them found they had talents they did not know and strength to conquer things that at first seemed daunting.

Well done to all students who took part, now take that determination into your studies!!

Miss Campbell  
Deputy Director of Sixth Form

**Blackland Farm Fun!**

On Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> September, our new Sixth Formers attended a day of teambuilding activities with members of the Consortium at Blackland Farm, East Grinstead.

Many of the students conquered their fears and participated in activities such as abseiling and climbing, as well as completing problem-solving activities and having to communicate effectively with their team members. The day drew to a dramatic conclusion when all teams had to build a parachute for their egg they had carried about all day. Each egg was dropped from the top of the abseil tower and although some made it safely to the bottom, others were completely scrambled (and that is no yolk!).



Well done to all Year 12 students who took part to make the day such a success!

Mrs Evans  
Deputy Director of Sixth Form

## Overdue Library Books

There are a number of students who should have returned their library book in July, before the Summer holidays.

Reminders are sent to parents/carers, both emails and letters home, regarding overdue library books.

If a library book cannot be returned for whatever reason the £5 library fine should be paid via ParentPay. Fines paid go towards some of the cost of replacing the library book. Any queries regarding overdue books, please contact Ms Osland in the library.

Support from home is very much appreciated.

Ms Osland  
School Librarian

## New arrival

Congratulations to Mrs Morris on the arrival of her baby boy Rhys William Morris born on 15.09.17. weighing 7lb 12 oz.



## OFFICE ASSISTANTS

The Office Assistants for next week:

Monday	Dharmendra Jasal 8A
Tuesday	Euan Johnstone 8A
Wednesday	Suboni Olatunji Oristade 8A
Thursday	David Olofinluyi 8A
Friday	Antonio Queta 8A

## E.M.H. Hawks U12's



E.M.H. Hawks are a Sunday league football team and looking for a few more players in current school Year 7.

E.M.H. are a charter standard football club with F.A. affiliated status.

Training is on Wednesday evening and matches are played on a Sunday.

Please contact Lee Skinner on:  
07380 948514 for more information.



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## Required ASAP Cleaner

14 hours per week Monday – Friday:  
evenings starting at 4.00pm. (£9.80 per  
hour) Start times are non-negotiable.

Log onto:

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The successful applicant will be required  
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## Required ASAP Lead DT Technician

30 hours per week, term time only  
Scale 5 (Appox £16,582 - £18,509 pa)  
Closing date:28/09/17

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## Weekly Outline of Out of School Hours Learning Activities - Autumn 2017

Club	Year Group	Staff	Time	Venue
<b>Monday</b>				
Orchestra	Invited	Mr Jenner	8:10am - 9:00am	MU1
SDD Homework Club	7	Mr Bashir and Miss Anwar	12.30pm - 1:05pm	SD2
GCSE Dance Technique	10 -11	Miss England	1:30pm - 2:00pm	DA1
SDD Homework Club	8 - 11	Mrs Roulton and Mrs Debono	1:30pm - 2:05pm	SD2
Athletics	7 - 9	Miss Pridie	4:05pm - 5:00pm	Sports Hall
Rugby	7 - 9	Coach	4:05pm - 5:00pm	Field
<b>Tuesday</b>				
Fitness	All	Miss Pridie	7:45am - 8:15am	Gym
Wind Band	All Woodwind & Brass Students	Mr Johnston	8:30am - 9:00am	MU1
Badminton/ Table tennis	8 - 9	PE Staff	1:30pm - 2:00pm	Sports Hall
Technique Dance Club	8 - 11	Joana Balla	1:30pm - 2:00pm	DA1
Jazz Band	Invited	Mr Bush	1:30pm - 2:00pm	MU4
SDD Homework Club	8 - 11	Mrs Debono and Mrs Prockter / Mr Bashir	1:30pm - 2:05pm	SD2
Netball	7 - 8	Miss Pridie and Miss Boulton	3:15pm - 4:15pm	Ball Courts
Football	7 - 8	Male PE Staff	3:15pm - 4:15pm	Astroturf
Basketball	7 - 9	Coach	3:15pm - 4:15pm	Sports Hall
Epidemic Girls KS3 Dance Company	7 - 9	Miss Simpson	3:15pm - 4:15pm	DA1
Illuminate Boys KS3 Dance Company	7 - 9	Miss England	3:15pm - 4:15pm	DA2
Bronze Duke of Edinburgh	10	Miss Montague, Mr Dignam and Mr Hargreaves	3:15pm - 4:45pm	FC4 or SD3

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Wednesday				
Fitness	All	Miss Boulton	7:45am - 8:15am	Gym
Choir	All	Mr Jenner	8:15am - 9:00am	MU1
Gold Duke of Edinburgh	12 and 13	Miss Montague	12:30pm - 1:30pm	SD3
Girls Football	7	Miss Pridie	1:30pm - 2:00pm	Astroturf
Indoor Athletics	7 - 8	Mr Howard	1:30pm - 2:00pm	Sports Hall
SDD Homework Club	7 - 11	Mrs Roulton and Mrs Debono	1:30pm - 3:05pm	SD2
Cheerleading	7 - 9	Coach	2:00pm - 3:00pm	Sports Hall
Peace Garden	All	Mr Kilminster	2:00pm - 3:00pm	Meet in SDD
Thursday				
Fitness	All	Mr Coupland	7:45am - 8:15am	Gym
SDD Homework Club	7	Mr Bashir	12.30pm - 1:05pm	SD2
Badminton/ Table tennis	KS4	PE Staff	1:30pm - 2:00pm	Sports Hall
SDD Homework Club	8 - 11	Mrs Roulton and Mrs Prockter	1:30pm - 2:05pm	SD2
Cooking and Cake Club	All	Mr Hargreaves	3:10pm - 4:30pm	FC4 starts 12/10/17
Netball	9 - 10	Miss Pridie and Miss Boulton	3:15pm - 4:15pm	Ball Courts
Football	9 - 10	Mr Howard and Mr Coupland	3:15pm - 4:15pm	Astroturf
Friday				
Silver Duke of Edinburgh Award	11	Miss Montague	7:30am - 8:30am	SD3
Guitar Club	KS3	Mr Jenner	8:15am - 9:00am	MU1
Girls Football	8 - 9	Miss Boulton	1:30pm - 2:00pm	Sports Hall/Astroturf
Panathlon	8 - 9	Miss Montague	1:30pm - 2:00pm	Sports Hall
SDD Homework Club	8 - 11	Mrs Prockter and Miss Anwar	1:30pm - 2:05pm	SD2
Volleyball	All	Mr Newport	3:15pm - 4:15pm	Sports Hall

## Year 11 Intervention Timetable

Year 11		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Week 1</b>	AM 8:15am – 9:00am	Maths History Geography	Maths History Geography		Science	
	Lunch 1:30pm – 2:00pm		Citizenship	Business		PE
	PM End of school – 5:00pm	Science	English		Media Spanish Dance	History
<b>Week 2</b>	AM 8:15am – 9:00am	Maths History Geography	Maths History Geography		Science	
	Lunch 1:30pm – 2:00pm		Citizenship	Business		PE
	PM End of school – 5:00pm	Science	Music French IT Food		Production Design Engineering Construction Drama RS	Geography Computing

## Year 10 Intervention Timetable

Year 10		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Week 1</b>	Lunch 1:30pm – 2:00pm	Dance		PE		
	PM End of school – 5:00pm		Geography		French Computing	
<b>Week 2</b>	Lunch 1:30pm – 2:00pm	Dance		PE		
	PM End of school – 5:00pm		Geography		French Computing	