

The Seagull



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Next week is Week 1

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HEADTEACHER'S NEWS

Wellbeing

The picture above is a group of fantastic students who were all involved in organising and delivering a recent Borough wide conference on mental health and wellbeing. You will also notice that on the far right hand side Russel in Year 10 is proudly clutching the Pearson School of the Year Award!

It is really important that we all take pride in our achievements at JRCS and all these young people should be incredibly proud with the commitment and hard work they put into making the Wellbeing Summit such a huge success.

Mr Smith
Headteacher

GENERAL NEWS

Sixth Form SPRD Wednesday 21st November

Year 12 students and their parents are invited

to an SPRD appointment with their tutor on Wednesday next week. All students are expected to attend. There are no Year 12 lessons at JRCS that day.

Selected Year 13 students will be invited for an appointment. Lessons will continue as normal for Year 13's.

Sixth Form Open Evening

It was good to see so many Year 11's and their parents at the Open Evening yesterday.

Students can now register for a Sixth Form place via the JRCS website or through: <https://jorichardson.ulas.co.uk>

Any students or parents with questions to ask about the Sixth Form can see Mrs Wren, Mrs Evans or email sixthform@jorichardson.org.uk

Mrs Wren
Director of Sixth Form



Cooking Club Success!

Cooking Club

We had a great night cooking in the Food and Catering Department. The students produced some really excellent sausage rolls, using puff pastry and some decided to cook cheese and onion palmers. The production, respect and responsibility was evident in the way they cooked safely and did not waste any food.

Well done!

Mr Hargreaves
Food and Catering

Year 9 Sutton Scholars

We have a small group of six students who have continued to attend UCL's Sutton Scholars programme in Year 9. As a year team, we are incredibly proud of their determination, commitment and enthusiasm. In Year 9, we have a simple motto: 'Work Hard, Be Nice, Take Opportunities'. Below is a list of students who have used this guidance to flourish both inside and outside of school:



Arafat Abiola 9C, Alba Nuhiallari 9C, Rachel Okine 9C, Enisa Kurta 9H, Waleed Rafique 9J, (pictured above) and Filip Zajdler 9H.

A few of these students have now gone above and beyond in their attendance to the UCL programme and have achieved awards for various achievements during their last session at the university. As you will see, they have truly embedded their 5 R's of character as they have approached this opportunity. Congratulations to:

Waleed Rafique (9J) for being awarded a prize for being 'Most Polite' (Respect).
Alba Nuhiallari (9C) for having the 'Best Homework' (written skills) (Responsibility)
Rachel Okine (9C) for having the 'Best Homework' (research skills) (Resourcefulness)
Filip Zajdler (9H) for being the 'Most Enthusiastic' (Resilience)

What an incredible achievement to have already achieved an award at a university in Year 9! Their futures are incredibly bright, well done to all of our Sutton Scholars.

Miss Draisey and the Year 9 team.

Thank you

Below is a letter sent to The Victory Services Club thanking them for their hospitality from Mr Hargreaves:

I would like to start by thanking The Victory Services Club for hosting the visit for the students of Jo Richardson Community School. I was absolutely delighted by the way in which you all welcomed us into the club and educated us all with enthusiasm. The students got a great deal out of the trip, seeing the layout of the club and looking at how the systems work. I would like to thank Mark Field, the Operations Director for accommodating us so graciously at a very busy time of year as you prepared for Remembrance Sunday.

The introduction to the club by Mark was most interesting and informative. I would like to also thank his executive chef, Paul Mattocks for showing us the operation of the kitchen. It was an education for us all!

On behalf of my students, my colleague, Mrs Guise and myself, I would like to thank the Victory Club for the fantastic and delicious lunch that was prepared for us all. It was just outstanding and enjoyed by all. The staff and waiters were so helpful and attentive to our needs. The visit has given our students a good insight to how the hotel works - from entering the building and meeting the door men, speaking and seeing how the reception works to looking at how the club supports outside events in the main conference hall. The opportunity of getting behind the scenes and seeing inside a very busy kitchen and then experiencing the end result by being served a meal in the restaurant and seeing how the front of house operates and works was a great experience for us all.

Thank you also for your agreement to support future work experience placements. I will be adding an article to our School Website, featuring The Victory Services Club to encourage any young budding chefs we may be able to nurture!

Warmest regards to you and all your staff.

*Mr Hargreaves
Food and Catering Teacher*

Year 9 University of East London Options Mentors



A huge well done and thanks to the 13 students who took part in welcoming our new mentors to JRCS. Seven university undergraduates are going to be taking on two Year 9 students each to give them some guidance on their quest to choose sensible and valuable options for their GCSE's. I was impressed with the way the mentees got

involved, quizzed their potential mentors and ended up enjoying themselves!

Well done everyone,

Miss Draisey and the Year 9 team.

Year 10 Netball



The Year 10 netball girls have had a busy start to this half-term with three fixtures in the last fortnight.

On Wednesday 31st October we faced Eastbury at home and previously did not have a great record against them. It was a closely fought game which we ended up winning 11-10 in the closing seconds.

The following day we played Westcliff High School for Schools in the second round of the Essex Cup. They were finalists last year and we expected a tough competition, which is what we got! However, I was proud of the resilience shown by the girls throughout the match and our second half was more positive all round in terms of our passing and defending.

The final fixture was away at Sydney Russell on Thursday 8th November and this was another close competition with goals being scored end to end. Unfortunately, we could not pull in back in time in the final minutes and we ended up losing by one goal 7-6. I have been impressed with the commitment, maturity and dedication shown by the Year 10 girls so far this year and I look forward to our remaining fixtures before Christmas.

Miss Boulton
Head of PE

Basketball Victory for JRCS!!!!

The U14 Boys had their second game of the season against Barking Abbey on Monday 12th November. They started off fairly slowly and was 0-8 down in the first quarter. However, the team pulled together and showed real resilience to bring the score back to 12-12 at the end of the second quarter.

The team then pulled away in the third quarter due to a three pointer scored by Micah White 9A and some fantastic offensive rebounding from Daniel Agoha 9G.

The team showed real team spirit and kept their cool when Barking Abbey closed the gap. The team won the game 37-36!

Team: Zion Piedade 9G, John Egbedeyi 9H, Micah White 9A, Daniel Agoha 9G, Raigirdas Svelnys 9D, Joshua Sam 9A, Nashawn Lugano 9F, David Nenadovic 8E and Tom Sammy 8A

The U16 Boys had their first game of the season against Eastbrook on Monday 19th December. They showed real resilience as they were down 0-12 in the first quarter! They played together as a team and displayed some fantastic set plays and shots. Highlights of the game include fantastic defensive rebounding from Edon 11E and Ahmed 10A, fast breaks from Tyler 11F and Ahmed 11F.

A special mention to Fawwaz, the captain who kept his team calm and led them to victory, scoring the majority of the points. The game finished 25-23 to Jo Richardson

Team: Fawwaz Kareem 11D, Tyler Hope 11F, Ahmed Ismaila 11F, Dario Shabani 11A, Ahmed Kassa 10, Edon Hallimi 11E, Plamedi Mateus 11F, La'Shawn Brown 11F, Ledion Rama 11D and Josh Mendoza 10C

Miss Emeny
PE Department



OFFICE ASSISTANTS

The Office Assistants for next week:

Monday	Matthew Roberson 8C
Tuesday	Safa Saleem 8C
Wednesday	Alfie-James Sedge 8C
Thursday	Zach Skeels-Jackson 8C
Friday	James Summers 8C

