

The Seagull



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Next week is Week 2

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19 JRCS students live stream to five cities across North America



HEADTEACHER'S NEWS

Our first Gold Seagull winner 2018-19



This week I was delighted to award our very first Gold Seagull of the academic year to Chloe Sealey in 8J. The Gold Seagull Award remains at the heart of our reward system for those students who demonstrate all the qualities within our ACHIEVE agenda. These qualities are at the core of our vision and values at JRCS.

Many congratulations to Chloe and I look forward to giving out many more Gold Seagull Awards in the coming months.

Early finish on Wednesday 12th December

On Wednesday 12th December we have a slightly earlier finish to the school day at 12:30pm, the end of Period 3. Students wishing to stay for lunch will be served between 12:30 and 1:00pm however no clubs or activities will run during the afternoon.

Dates for your diary:

Wednesday 12th December: Early finish 12:30pm (Lunch will be available until 1:00pm)

Wednesday 12th December – Monday 17th December: JRCS Winter Fair (Break and Lunchtimes)

Tuesday 18th December: Student Christmas Lunch

Tuesday 18th December: Lower School Disco 5:30pm – 7:30pm

Thursday 20th December: Staff No Talent Show: Late start at 11:00am (Students should not arrive to school before 10:30am) – Early finish 1:15pm approximately after the Staff No Talent Show (non-uniform day). Please be aware there will be no food service on this day.

Monday 7th January: Return to school (normal time).

Mr Smith
Headteacher



GENERAL NEWS

Christmas Lunch

On Tuesday the 18th of December, JRCS will be celebrating the festive season with a full Christmas dinner for students. As a result, normal food service will be modified.

Breakfast service: There will be a normal breakfast offer on this day.

Break time service: There will **no** Year 7 food service at break on this day due to preparations for the Christmas lunch. There will be limited services for Year 8-13 students at the sandwich and pasta bar only.

Year 7: To celebrate the completion of the first full term at JRCS, the Year 7's will be enjoying a sit-down Christmas meal. If you wish your child to partake in this meal please ensure they have funds on their ParentPay account in advance of the day (£2.30). If you do not wish for them to have the Christmas meal, please ensure they have a packed lunch on this day as we will not be serving any alternative meals on this day, *but they will be expected to sit with members of their form class to share in this experience regardless of whether they are having the Christmas meal offer or not.*

Year 8 -13: For Year 8 to 13's we will be serving a full Christmas lunch through the day, starting at 12:30pm through till the end of normal lunch time. If you do not wish for them to have the Christmas meal, please be aware that there will be a limited selection of other item on sale via the secondary food service locations at break and lunch.

Mr Donovan
Assistant Headteacher

Reminder to all students

Please ensure all lockers are emptied of any food items before the Christmas break.

Lost Property

Can all parents please be reminded to ask students to check the lost property basket before the end of term as any items left will be disposed of. Also, any confiscated items can be collected by students from the School Office at the end of the day on Thursday 19th December.

Student's Forgotten Items

Please be reminded that due to the number of students in the school we are unable to accept their forgotten items at reception.

Mrs Stone
Office Manager



Positive Parenting Seminar

We all know that parenting is probably one of the most difficult and challenging jobs in the world. There is no book, we have to learn as we go along, and sometimes we just pray we're getting it right! Here at JRCS, we pride ourselves on our pastoral systems, and whenever possible, we like to involve parents and carers in our processes. Therefore, it is with great delight that we are able to offer you, the chance of attending one of three parental seminars, here at the school.

The seminars last 90 minutes, and include a presentation, and a question and answer session. You will be amongst parents facing many of the same challenges as you. You will go home with plenty of ideas and hopefully, the confidence to help you deal with the most common issues raised.

The first seminar is Raising Responsible Teenagers: Find out what makes teenagers tick! You'll leave with new ideas on how to

encourage your teenager to make good decisions, be respectful, considerate, reliable, and involved in family life. The seminar will be delivered by Meave Darroux of the Brilliant Parenting Organisation.

When? Tuesday 11th December 10:15am
Where? Jo Richardson Community School

The seminars are part of the Triple P Parenting Course, and we are hoping that these seminars will encourage you to take part in the on-line course, which is free, and available via the school. We also have an opportunity to run a number of group sessions within school, with the aid of a STAR worker from Barking and Dagenham CAMHS.

If you are interested in any of the above, please contact Ms Meaney (Pastoral Support Assistant) at the school. Email: ameaney@jorichardson.org.uk
Tel No: 020 8270 6289/6222

Ms Meaney
Pastoral Support Assistant

Children in Need 2018

A massive thank you for all of your donations to support Children in Need 2018.

The Student Voice Support Team decided to organise a non-uniform day as well as selling cakes and cookies to raise money for this amazing charity event. As a school we collected £1234 which is amazing.



The Support Team are thankful for the generosity of the students, parents and staff. **You** helped children in need here in the UK and around the world.

Prince Adenuga 9C

Live stream to five cities across North America

On Thursday evening 19 of the 64 young people who organised our Walk 4 Water campaign were involved in a live stream to five cities across North America (pictured on the front page). The work that the students did was picked up by an organisation called WE Movement and a short film was made about how young people engage with social action for change. Our students have always been globally aware of issues such as hunger, poverty, human rights, gender equality and so it came as no surprise that their 6km walk around the Serpentine in London captured global recognition.

On Thursday the students were filmed by a Canadian film crew and were live streamed to 37,000 people in Toronto, New York, Newfoundland and the Bahamas to name a few. The students were raising awareness about the lack of clean water for over 800 million people across the globe and showcasing their organisation and communication skills in planning this walk to highlight the need for this basic human right.

Nothing phased the students and their professionalism and maturity shone through in the filming.

Well done to each and every one of you.

Ms Boller
Student Communication Manager

Little Haven's Article



On Monday both Year 12 and Year 13 Health and Social Care classes went to visit Little Havens Hospice. This is a hospice in Benfleet that looks after children aged 1 month to 18 years old who have life changing illnesses or terminal illnesses. The hospice has unique services that tailors to the needs of the children such as a room filled with

special lights to calm the patients in time of distress, special equipment tailored to the physical needs of the patients such as having special bath tubs which can be raised and lowered for the height of the children. As visitors with no idea of what it would be like, we were thoroughly surprised by how colourful and unique the hospice could make the rooms for the children, one individuals' room was specially decorated with cars as they loved the Pixar film Cars. It was an enjoyable and insightful experience for everyone and we are looking forward to completing some fundraising activities for the hospice.

Emma Hobden Year 12

Votes for Women



Last Friday we were fortunate enough to host the Museum of London who came in to put on a performance for KS3 to mark the centenary of women getting the vote. Years 7, 8 and 9 watched and were able to participate in the assembly showcasing remarkable women and men who campaigned tirelessly for voting rights to be changed during the late 19th and early 20th centuries.

The performance followed the life of Shelley, a girl who was not only learning about women's suffrage at school but was also experiencing the pressures lots of young women face today. It celebrated the achievements of the suffragettes 100 years ago but also highlighted the work still needed to be done to achieve real equality.

This is an area we discuss frequently in English when trying to apply a feminist lens to the texts we teach and learn, as well as being the focus for our recent National Poetry Day assembly on the theme of change. Seeing the impact of inequality in relation to a

historical movement provided a really powerful way for students to engage in the subject of equality and the empowerment of women.

Thank you to all staff and students involved in the performance, as well as the Museum of London for providing KS3 with such a valuable experience.

Ms Dulwich
Head of English KS3

Textiles Club

Textiles Club has been really successful this year; along with the old members, we had 10 new Year 7 starters.

The girls are all working on cross-stitching and embroidery techniques; it has been a real pleasure to see them develop their skills and working hard to create brilliant textiles products.

Keep up the good work girls!



Mrs Mir
DT Department



OFFICE ASSISTANTS

The Office Assistants for next week:

Monday	Shae Barnes 8D
Tuesday	Gabija Mardosaite 8D
Wednesday	Luke Matthews 8D
Thursday	Adriol Rama 8D
Friday	Danny Scannell 8D

Year 10 & 11 Mock Exams

Below is a copy of the Year 11 mock exam timetable. These are internal exams and students will be required to attend normal lessons. Please make sure students have a good breakfast and they have the correct equipment with them for each exam, including a calculator (if needed) and a black pen.

If they wish to, they may bring water, but this needs to be in a clear plastic bottle with the label removed.

Please remind your child that under no circumstances should mobile phones be taken into exam rooms. If your child is unable to attend any of their exams, please call the attendance line as usual and we will require a letter from your doctor.

Year 11 Mock Exam Timetable 2018

Day/Date	Paper	Length	Time
Monday 10th December	Combined Science Chemistry Separate Science Chemistry	1 hr 10mins 1 hr 45mins	8:45am
Monday 10th December	Engineering Online	1 hour	12:15pm
Monday 10th December	History Paper 2	1 hr 45mins	2:00pm
Tuesday 11th December	Science - Walking Talking Mock- Paper 3	2 hours	8:45am
Tuesday 11th December	Combined Science Physics Separate Science Physics	1 hr 10mins 1 hr 45mins	11:15am
Tuesday 11th December	Geography Paper 2	1 hr 15mins	2:00pm
Wednesday 12th December	Drama	1 hr 30mins	8:45am
Wednesday 12th December	PE Paper 2	1 hr 15mins	11:15am
Thursday 13th December	Spanish Writing RS Paper 2	1 hr 15mins 1 hr 20mins	8:45am
Thursday 13th December	Dance DT French Writing	1 hr 30mins 2 hours 1 hr 15mins	11:15am
Thursday 13th December	Business Paper 2	1 hour	2:00pm
Friday 14th & Monday 17th December	Computer Science NEA Assessment	2 days	
Friday 14th December	Hospitality and Catering	9:00am – 1:30pm	
Friday 14th December	Dance	All day	
Monday 17th December	Food Prep and Nutrition	9:00am – 1:30pm	
Tuesday 18th & Wednesday 19th December	Art Practical	2 days	



JRCS WINTER FAIR

SANTA & HIS REINDEERS
UNDER THE CANOPY

AT BREAK & LUNCH

12TH DECEMBER - 17TH DECEMBER

MANY GAMES & ACTIVITIES

BRING SOME CASH TO SPLASH

SANTA'S SNOWBALL



No dress code



Location -
Boothroyd Hall



Price - £2



Food and drink
on sale



Date - Tuesday
18th December



Time - 5:30pm -
7:30pm



NORTH POLE



AT JO RICHARDSON WE

Aspire to be our best
Commit to our learning
Hold high standards in everything we do
Involve ourselves in our communities
Engage with all opportunities
Value, care for and respect each other
Establish resilience



SUCCESS FOR ALL