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HEADTEACHER'S NEWS



Pearson Teaching Award 2018 School of the Year – Making a Difference!

I am delighted to announce that on Sunday 21st October we were awarded the Pearson School of the Year award! At a ceremony in Central London we were presented with the award by the renowned children's author Michael Morpurgo. It was a fantastic evening at which we celebrated the success that JRCS has achieved over the past 16 years.

This award is testimony to all the hard work and commitment shown by all members of the JRCS community over the past years. There are so many people to thank who have been part of our journey and I am delighted that this award recognises all their efforts. I particularly want to thank Abigail Hall who nominated us and played a huge role in representing the school during the judging process. She was an absolute credit to the school.

The event was televised as Britain's Classroom Heroes on BBC2 on Sunday 28th October. If you missed the programme please click on the lick below and you will find the award being presented at the very end of the programme.

https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episodes/b00f8 mfz?suggid=b00f8mfz

Parent Governor Vacancies

Many thanks to those who have already voted for our Parent Governor candidates. If you haven't already done so, please don't forget to return your completed ballot paper by 12.00noon on Friday 9th November 2018 (forms were sent home with your child before the half term break).

Mr Smith Headteacher

GENERAL NEWS

Year 11 Progress Evening

On Wednesday 7th November 3:45pm – 6:30pm, you are invited to join us to hear about the progress your child has made in terms of their character, behaviour and academic progress. We will also share information on the challenges that lie ahead and how you can support your son/daughter at this crucial stage of their education. You will be given the most current progress data, their current ranking and preparation for the December mocks. The Sixth Form team will be there to give students guidance on their next steps.

Please come and join us to celebrate your child's success.

Miss Branch Head of Year 11

Year 11 – Invitation Parents/Carers and Students all welcome

opportunities available.

The Sixth Form Open Evening is on Thursday 15th November from 4:00pm – 7:00pm. JRCS Sixth Form is among the best locally and in the Borough. Come and see how you can be part of it. Find out about the subjects we offer and meet students and staff. There will be time to ask questions and explore the

At 5:00pm and 6:00pm there will be a short formal presentation. Please come before and stay after this in order to talk to teachers and students about the subjects on offer and Sixth Form life. If you would like to visit Dagenham Park, Eastbury or Riverside they are open from 4:00pm – 6:30pm on the same day. Sydney Russell is open from 5:00pm – 7:00pm on Wednesday 14th November. All our partners would be glad to tell you more about their Sixth Form courses.

I am looking forward to seeing you there.

Mrs Wren Director of Sixth Form

Student Voice Elections

Congratulations to all the students who were successful in the recent Student Leadership Team elections.

Ms Boller Student Communication Manager

Young People's Wellbeing Summit



On World Mental Health Day (10th October 2018), Jo Richardson were proud to host the first ever student led Young People's Wellbeing Summit in Barking and Dagenham. What a fantastic day it was!

Planning started 10 months ago when students from Jo Richardson and Eastbury School got together to discuss mental health. They decided to plan a day where they would run a variety of workshops for students led by themselves. It was agreed that we would invite every Secondary School in Barking and Dagenham to attend the day with a group of students. The wheels were set in motion and the hard work began.

















Prepared and waiting on the morning of the event, the students were a bit apprehensive and nervous wondering how the day would go. Would the invited schools attend? Would the workshops go well? Were we ready? The event went beyond our expectations it was an absolutely amazing day! Not only did all the students attend, there were also many representatives from the Borough who came to talk or just support the day. Our young people did us proud and the overwhelming feeling from the day was that we had to

continue talking about our wellbeing and recognising that the more open we are the more people can be supported. The students who attend were asked to go back and write a pledge as to what they are going to do to make a difference at their school.

The day was such a success that it has been agreed it will go ahead again next year. Congratulations to you all.

Mrs Richardson Senior Lead Mentor

Lexia



A massive congratulations to Nikhil Ahtty, Reuben Thomas, Ali Dossa and Theodor Fotev for conquering Lexia in their very first half-term at JRCS. The level of commitment demonstrated by these students is inspirational.

Well done!

Mrs Musker Lexia Coordinator

7G Character Tree



In 7G we have created a 'Character Tree' which is all about success for all and team growth. All achievements are recorded by adding a special leaf onto our tree with the appropriate information of achievement, whether big or small, this helps our tree grow. Some of the ACHIEVEments recorded have been from LOCs from all subject areas to simply just being of good help and support to

one another. We also take the 5 R's (Respect, Responsibility, Resourcefulness, Resilience and Reflection) into consideration (whether they are being met) and the students can also recommend one of their peers for something they perceive as an achievement. Everyone within our form group has the opportunity to have their achievement put up on the special leaf then onto our ever-growing tree.

Miss Mambuini Teacher of PDE/Citizenship

Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde Performance

Year 11 students were given the opportunity to see a performance of the GCSE text 'Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde' for their Literature Paper 1 exam. The FRED Theatre Company specialise in giving performances specifically tailored for GCSE texts and give accurate representations of the text, allowing students to prepare for their upcoming mocks at the end of the term. As a Victorian text, some of the concepts and language explored can be particularly difficult to grasp and so this experience will be an invaluable revision tool for students, giving them a chance to access the narrative from a different perspective.

After the performance, students were praised highly by the theatre company and they even stated that JRCS is the best school they have attended in terms of behaviour. Students are encouraged to use their knowledge of the text and this performance to think independently about different interpretations of themes and characters explored in the novella. We hope that it will encourage Year 11 to begin their revision early and give them even more enthusiasm for such a brilliant text.









Thank you to all staff and students involved in the performance, as well as the company, for giving Year 11 such a valuable experience.

Miss Smith English Department

Design Technology Year 9 Structures Day 2018

Just before half-term, we completed our annual ACHIEVE structures day with Year 9 students. The students enjoyed building and working together to assemble structures that could hold up to 4 kg and were taller than a metre. Most students were able to understand the basic skills and forces required to build a strong structure.

The winning groups are listed below. Well done for your hard work.

Liepa Blandyte 9B, Cole Otite 9B, Jack Berrecloth 9C, Carys Calverley 9A, Ramona Denisa Rusu 9D, Noorjahan Ahmed 9D, Darian Dragoi 9D and Alfie Wennington 9D.

Arafat Abiola 9C, Adam Azzouz 9B, Nicky Inzinga 9C, Sajida Amena 9C, Rachel Okine 9C, Goda Valeisaite 9C, Jack Weston 9E and Kieran Salek-Taghizadeh 9E.

Aylin Acar 9B, Eduard Pintilli 9B, Edvardas Suky 9H, Subomi Olatunji 9A, Neo Foster 9D, Hope Barovbe 9D, Oluwamayomikun Otufowora 9C and Mikolaj Dziubinski 9E.

Filip Zajdler 9H, Jenny Peka 9H, Abrar Saikder 9I, Lukas Lapkaukas 9J, Elias Eluasti 9G, Ameer Mohammed 9F, Alfie Paradise 9G and Bradley Williams 9G.

Edson Vieira 9H, Abiola Yusuf 9H, Martina McCarthy 9H, Arthur Garner 9I, Jeremy Ennin 9G, Elijah Gyamfi 9G, Rebekah Ogunturin 9G and Sammi Lai 9G.

Victor Oso 9H, Arija Baz 9J, Rhianna Mutyaba 9I, Ali Dibra 9H, Arta Sefoli 9F, Maisey Thompson 9F, Paulos Haile 9H and Sameer Ali 9H.

Miss Banjo Head of DT

JRCS Dance News

A number of KS4 and KS5 students visited Sadler's' Wells Theatre before half-term and had the opportunity to be part of celebrating the theatre's 20th year. After the triple bill of three diverse dance performances the dancers and choreographers entered the stage as confetti scattered from the roof and everyone in the auditorium got up on their feet dancing.





A number of students in Years 9, 10 and 13 took place in a Dance Careers Day along with a number of other schools in the Borough. Students' were able to experience technique classes and creative workshops in a professional environment from teachers at world famous dance school Laban and The Place. The students were able to learn about the many routes that they can take in dance education and understand the huge number of jobs that further education in dance can offer you.





JRCS Wings Dance Academy had their first performance this week in the Black History Month Assemblies. The students performed a piece that was based around the struggles

and torture that occurred during slavery. Well done Wings and excellent first performance.



Miss England Head of Dance

U13 Barking and Dagenham Girls Rugby Festival





Barking RFC hosted the U13 girls tournament on Monday 15th October and we took a strong squad across the road to play 10 a side matches against three local schools. Our team consisted of girls from Year 7 and Year 8, some relatively new to the sport and some more experienced players. We won the first game against Barking Abbey B team by 4 tries and later went on to beat their A team by 2 tries.

Unfortunately, we lost to the eventual winners and hosts Robert Clack, however all the girls displayed the core rugby values throughout the day and I am proud to watch the girls developing their skills and knowledge of the game. There will be a second tournament in December when I hope to enter two girls teams into the competition as we continue to develop rugby as part of our PE curriculum. Well done to all the girls involved:

Grace Soane 7I, Aimee Matthews 7J, Beatrice Bukauskaite 7I, Frankie Garland 8D, Lola Oloyede 8F, Priscilla Collins 7G, Suzie Woods 7H, Destiny Rosier-Welch 8H, Harley Rogers 7H, Bethanie North 8C, Ella Turner 7G, Victory Ndibe 8A and Charlee Bromwich 7G.

Girls Rugby Club is on Thursdays after school on the school field from 3:15pm - 4:15pm with Coach Keith from Barking Rugby Club. There is also a girls only session for students aged 11-16 years every Monday 6:30pm – 7:30pm at Barking Rugby Club, with the opportunity to play fixtures on a Sunday.

Miss Boulton Mr Kersey

Head of PE Pastoral Support Assistant



OFFICE ASSISTANTS

The Office Assistants for next week:

Monday Ryan Baccarini 8C Tuesday Marissa Brunt 8C Wednesday Rosie Cook 8C

Thursday Emily-Louise Coombs 8C

Friday Thomas Gates-Serwanja 8C

The Pearson Teaching Awards 2018

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Young Carers

A Young Carer is a child under 18 who regularly helps to look after a family member or friend who is disabled, ill, has a mental health condition or addiction problem.

Children may engage in:

- Practical tasks (cooking, housework and shopping)
- Physical care (lifting or helping someone use the stairs)
- Personal care (dressing, washing, helping with toilet needs)
- Managing the family budget (collecting benefits and prescriptions)
- Managing medication
- Looking after younger siblings
- Helping someone communicate

Jo Richardson Community School can support young carers.

If you, or a family member, needs support please contact

Mrs. Staggs

All contact will be treated in the strictest confidence

Weekly Outline of Out of School Hours Learning Activities – 2018-2019

Club	Year Group	Staff	Time	Venue			
Monday							
Choir	All	Mr Jenner	8:15am - 9:00am	MU1			
SDD Homework Club	8 - 11	Mrs Roult & Miss Chandler	1:30pm - 2:05pm	SD2			
Girls Basketball Club	8 & 9	Ms Emeny	1:30pm - 2:10pm	Sports Hall			
Indoor Athletics Club	7 & 8	Ms.Pridie	4:05pm - 5:05pm	Sports Hall			
Tuesday							
Fitness / Indoor Rowing	All	Miss Pridie / Miss Emeny	7:45am - 8:15am	Gym			
Wind Band	Invited	Mr Johnston	8:30am - 9:00am	MU1			
SDD Homework Club	7	Mrs Prockter & Mr Hession	12:30pm - 1:05pm	SD2			
Puzzle Club	7	Ms Moody & Ms Colborne	12:30pm - 1:05pm	Maths Department			
Badminton/ Table tennis	KS3	Mr Coupland	12:30am - 1:10pm	Sports Hall			
SDD Homework Club	8 - 11	Ms Newman & Mr Bashir	1:30pm - 2:05pm	SD2			
GCSE Intervention	KS4	Ms Boulton	1:30pm - 2:10pm	PE1			
Y10 Bronze D of E	10	Ms Montague	3:05pm - 4:45pm	SD3			
Girls Netball	7 - 8	Miss Pridie / Miss Emeny	3:15pm - 4:15pm	Netball Courts			
Boys Football	7 - 8	Mr Coupland / Mr Seeds	3:15pm - 4:15pm	Astro			
Wings Dance Academy	Invited	Miss Simpson	3:15pm - 4:15pm	DA1			
Wednesday							
Fitness / Indoor Rowing	All	Mr Coupland	7:45am – 8:15am	Gym			
Orchestra	Invited	Mr Jenner	8:15am - 9:00am	MU1			
Jazz/Big Band	Invited	Mr Clement	1:30pm - 2:00pm	MU2			
Dance Club	Invited	Miss England	1:30pm - 2:00pm	DA1			
Badminton	KS4	Mr Howard	1:30pm - 2:00pm	Sports Hall			
Panathlon Club	All	Ms Montague	1:30pm - 2:05pm	Sports Hall			
SDD Homework Club	7 - 11	Mrs Roult & Mrs Debono	1:30pm - 3:00pm	SD2			
Cheerleading	7 - 9	Coach	2:00pm - 3:00pm	Sports Hall			
Girls Football	All	Mr Richards	2:00pm - 3:00pm	Astro			
Basketball	7 - 9	Coach	3:00pm - 4:00pm	Sports Hall			

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Club	Year Group	Staff	Time	Venue		
Thursday						
Fitness / Indoor Rowing	All	Ms Boulton	7:45am - 8:15am	Gym		
Guitar Club	7 - 9	Mr Clement	8:15am - 9:00am	MU2		
Composition Club	All	Mr Jenner	8:15am - 9:00am	MU1		
SDD Homework Club	7	Mrs Debono & Miss Chandler	12:30pm - 1:05pm	SD2		
Mixed Basketball Club	7	Miss Emeny	12:30pm - 1:10pm	Sports Hall		
Trampolining	7	Ms Boulton	12:30pm - 1:10pm	Sports Hall		
Trampolining	All	Mr Howard	1:30pm - 2:05pm	Sports Hall		
Panathlon Club	All	Ms Montague / Miss Hall	1:30pm - 2:05pm	Sports Hall		
SDD Homework Club	8 - 11	Mrs Prockter & Mr Hession	1:30pm - 2:05pm	SD2		
Puzzle Club	8 - 11	Ms Hunt	1:30pm - 2:05pm	MA8		
Science Club	7 - 9	Miss Iqbal	3:05pm - 4:05pm	SC12		
Photography Club (starts 4/10/18)	9 - 10	Miss Franz	3:10pm - 4:30pm	AR2		
Netball	9 - 10	Ms Boulton / Ms Emeny	3:15pm - 4:15pm	Netball Courts		
Girls Football	All	Miss Pridie	3:15pm - 4:15pm	Astro		
Football	9 - 10	Mr Howard	3:15pm - 4:15pm	Field		
Volleyball / Handball	All	Mr Coupland	3:15pm - 4:15pm	Sports Hall		
Boys Rugby	All	Coach	3:15pm – 4:15pm	Field		
Engineering Club (Week 1)	All	Mr Massop	3:15pm – 4:15pm	DT8		
Textiles Club (starts 20/9/18) (Week 1)	7 - 9	Miss Mir	3:15pm - 4:15pm	DT4		
Cooking and Cake Club	7 - 9	Mr Hargreaves / Mrs Moffat	3:15pm - 4:45pm	FC4		
Primary Dance Company (Upsurge)	5 - 6	Miss England	3:30pm - 4:30pm	Miss England		
		Friday				
Silver D of E (starts 5/10/18)	11	Ms Montague	7:30am - 8:30am	SD3		
SDD Homework Club	8 - 11	Ms Newman & Mr Bashir	1:30pm - 2:05pm	SD2		
Futsal	All	Mr Coupland	1:30pm – 2:05pm	Sports Hall		
Wings Dance Academy	Invite	Miss England	3:15pm - 4:15pm	DA1		