The Seagull



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Year 7 Netball A and B Teams

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HEADTEACHER'S NEWS

Count down!

We are officially half way through the academic year! The countdown to the Summer exams has already begun and in less than three months our Year 11 and our Year 13 students will begin their Summer exams. Over the coming weeks we will be publicising all the details about revision support available prior to these exams. If your son or daughter is in Year 11 or 13 please make sure they check these details with their subject teachers to ensure that they get the best possible support over the coming months.

I hope you have a peaceful and restful half term holiday and I look forward to seeing everybody back in school at the normal time on Monday 25th February.

Date for your diary:

Wednesday 27th February 3:45pm – 6:45pm Year 9 Progress Evening

Gold Seagulls







Pictured above are this week's Gold Seagull winners: David Nenadovic 8E, Trisha Jadav 8H, Rebekah Ogunturin 9G, Sajida Amina 9C and Maisie Lethbridge 9G. Pictured to the left is Khai Sesay 11D who received her honorary Gold Seagull shirt last week.

Congratulations to you all!

Mr Smith Headteacher



Year 9 Progress Evening: Wednesday 27th February 3:45pm – 6:45pm

A huge thank you again for everyone who attended Options Evening with their Year 9 students, I was so happy to see everyone asking mature questions and investing in their future.

A quick reminder that Year 9 Progress Evening is on the first Wednesday after half term (27th February) and so I look forwards to another great turnout. This evening is their only opportunity to hand in their Options decisions to secure their first choices. The evening will also allow you to meet with all of their subject teachers for an update on their progress. I look forward to welcoming you then.

Kind regards

Miss Draisey Head of Year 9

Change to reporting procedures

Dear parents and carers,

In previous years, you will have received an academic report at the end of each term, and a behaviour ranking letter at the end of each half term. This year we have streamlined our reporting procedures and have decided to discontinue the behaviour ranking letter at the end of each half term. You will still receive a full academic report at the end of each full term that reports on academic progress, mindset, behaviour, homework and attendance. By removing the mid-term behaviour ranking letter, we allow our students a greater amount of time to work on their areas for development and show progress on their reports across the year. Lines of communication between school and home will continue to be strong and we will still inform you of both positive and negative behaviour, as we have always done through various channels such as, lesson monitoring report, the planner, phone calls, meetings, Progress Evenings, CFC and LOC letters.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me. As always, I would like to thank you for your continued support.

Mr G Smith Deputy Headteacher

Year 11's and JRCS Sixth Form

We are emailing letters to all JRCS Year 11 students who have registered for a place in the Sixth Form. Please check that you have received this and let us know if there is a problem. You can contact us at sixthform@jorichardson.org.uk or come to see Mrs Yeaman or me.

If you have a friend who is in Year 11 at another school and has applied, they will be invited for an interview by email.

Mrs Wren, Director of Sixth Form

Sixth Form February Half-Term Interventions:

Date	Time	Subject	Room
Monday 18 th February	9:00qm – 1:00pm	Chemistry	SC9
Tuesday 19 th February	9:30am – 2:00pm	Biology	SC8
Wednesday 20 th February	9:00am – 1:00pm	Chemistry	SC9

Time to Talk Day 7th February

As Mr Rutland wrote last week, we had lots of events going on in school last Thursday to mark 'Time to Talk' Day. These included assemblies, a pledge wall, A tell a joke in the garden competition and meditation sessions. Lots of staff and students got involved in the events and the photographs here capture the events that took place.

















The students who were involved in the meditation all left feeling peaceful and relaxed. Here are some comments made by Year 7s:

"I felt relaxed and engaged in what I was doing and I felt I was in a peaceful place." Barakat 7G

"I felt really calm." Matt 7A

"During meditation I felt so relaxed, it was like I was in a different world. I really enjoyed it and was focusing just on the treehouse there." Priscilla 7G

Congratulations to the following students who won the prizes for the joke competition.

Prizes were awarded in year group assemblies this week to:

1st - Bradley Carroll, 8E, whose joke was: "I was on my way to school this morning and I heard an explosion at the factory where they make washing up liquid... but don't worry it was only 'Cillit Bang!"

2nd - Kane Gilbey, 7A, whose joke was: ""I ate my homework last night....it's because the teacher told me it was a piece of cake!"

3rd - Lewis Bridges, 7H, whose joke was: "I've been learning how to do my shoelaces but I keep getting all tied up!"

We are now looking to make a permanent feature of some of the pledges made and are already looking forward to planning next year's events!

Mrs Quail, Mr Rutland, Mr Kilminster, Ms Doshi and Ms. Eastman.

Cooking Club



Last week we had a great evening with the Cooking Club, I had 23 students cooking a great Italian pizza. I also cooked one for my daughter who is vegan, the students where interested in the different types of cheese that were on offer. Year 9 students have shown great interest in choosing food as an option, which is outstanding. Students now understand how to produce a good pizza dough and make a great pizza.

They had so much fun and I would like to thank Mrs Moffatt for supporting me during the evening.

Well done to all the students who committed to this evenings club. I am so pleased with your progress and respect for our department and I hope you and your family enjoyed your delicious pizza.

Well done and see you again second week after half term.

Mr Hargreaves Food and Catering

Music Recital Evening





A huge well done to all students involved in Tuesday's Recital Evening. It was a fantastic display of the hard work you have been putting into instrumental and vocal lessons this year. Whether it was your first or fiftieth solo performance, you did yourselves proud... well done!

Students involved were as follows:

Radvile Padelskaite 7B, Theodore Toma 7D, Chloe Whyte 7E, Elio Aliaj 7H, Tara Boafo 8G, Victoria Idahosa 8G, Keira Christopher 8G, Stacey Levitt 8H, Elias Dragoi 9D, Nancie Tyler-Goode 9G, Sammi Lai 9G, Filip Zajdler 9H, Orestas Vecys 9J, Jonjoe Mould 10G, Alicia Percival-Jack 10H, Khai Sesay 11D, Gerren Ntiri 11G and Arsel Aliaj 11H.

Also, we would like to thank all staff members and parents who came along to support our students – we really appreciate it!

Miss Ford Music Admin Assistant

World Book Day Reading Marathon

On Thursday 7th March its World Book Day. To acknowledge this day an all-day reading marathon will be held in Main street. Every 15 minutes throughout the day a different student will read to keep the marathon going. The reading marathon will take place on a staged area set up as a camping theme complete with a tent and (mock) fire.

To sign up and take part in the reading marathon students need to see Ms Osland in the library to book a time slot which will be entered in their planner.

Ms Osland School Librarian

Netball News

Last Wednesday the Year 7 A and B team (pictured on the front page) came up against The Goresbrook School. The B team started first and were very nervous as it was only their second game this season. The first quarter started quite slowly and the score was 0-0. However, the girls quickly settled into the game and there were some excellent shots scored by Stephanie Izekor in 7J and Abigail Uche-Kalunta 7D.

The game ended up 4-1 to Jo Richardson Community School and player of the match was awarded to Abigail Uche-Kalunta 7D. A special mention to Hanifa Juma 7E and Greta Antanaviciute 7D for making some fantastic interceptions throughout the match.

The A team had yet another triumph against The Goresbrook School. The girls have been on a winning streak for the last 5 games and were keen to make it 6!

Fantastic movement of the ball and feeding into the circle came from Elyse Inzinga 7D, Priscilla Collins 7G and Anastasia Dizeko 7C. The steady shooting hands of Chanise Diallo 7D and Monjola Olayiwola 7I meant the game ended 11-1 to Jo Richardson Community School.

The A teams defence also need a special mention as they kept the ball out of the oppositions half and turned the ball over on numerous occasions! Player of the match was awarded to the steady shooting hands of Chanise Diallo 7D

Well done to both teams and good luck in the upcoming Year 7 rally!

Miss Emeny PE Department



OFFICE ASSISTANTS

The Office Assistants for the week commencing 25/02/19 are:

Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Tara Boafo 8G Taylor Campbell 8G Victoria Idahosa 8G Lubna Ishaque 8G Zachary Keddie 8G



School Holidays **Gym Public Use Timetable**

EXTENDED OPENING HOURS

Monday 8:30am - 10:00pm

8:30am - 10:00pm **Tuesday**

Wednesday 8:30am - 10:00pm

Thursday 8:30am - 10:00pm

8:30am - 10:00pm Friday

8:30am - 5:00pm Saturday

8:30am - 5:00pm Sunday

Times may be subject to change due to Jo Richardson Community School arrangements

Last entry is 30 minutes before closing time

All members and guests should be ready to vacate the centre 5 minutes before closing

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