

The Seagull



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Next week is Week 1

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HEADTEACHER'S NEWS

Year 9 Progress Evening

On Wednesday evening we held our Year 9 Progress Evening at the end of which the students made their option choices for Key Stage 4 in September 2019. It is always a pleasure to meet and talk to such aspirational young people, many of whom have such a clear vision about what they want to achieve in the future. I am always surprised and delighted to find out what their future plans are and I wish them all the best of luck in their next two years at JRCS.

Gold Seagull Winners

Congratulations to this week's Gold Seagull winners (pictured above):
Radville Padelskaite 7B, Ana-Maria Latcan 7B and Joshua Harvey 9F.

Special congratulations to Lubna Ishaque 8G who is our first Double Gold Seagull winner of this academic year.

Mr Smith
Headteacher



GENERAL NEWS

Parents and Carers of Year 11

We have made the decision to allow Year 11 to leave school after their Science mock exam on Monday afternoon. Combined Science students will be dismissed at 3:15pm and Triple Science students will be dismissed at 3:45pm. We see no value in sending students to a period 6 when students would benefit more from getting home and preparing for the remainder of their exams.

Mr Smith
Deputy Headteacher

MP Margaret Hodge visits JRCS

Students Sukhdeep, Nojus, Joy, Zoe, Catarina, Grace and Caitlin taking GCSE Citizenship decided to base their action around sentencing in the UK and the way criminal courts sentence offenders. As independent learners they invited the local MP Margaret Hodge into school to discuss the issues surrounding sentences in UK

prisons and wanted to find out the government stance on this issue.



The meeting took place at Jo Richardson School and students had an opportunity to give a summary of their action and finding and then a Q&A session took place. Students found this experience worthwhile and felt proud to have been heard.

Ms Hector
Head of PDE

Sixth Form Intervention:

Date	Time	Subject	Teacher	Room
Saturday 2 nd March	10:30am - 12:30pm	Politics	Mrs Wren	SF4

Year 11 Maths Revision Conference:

Date	Time	Subject	Room
Saturday 2 nd March	9:00am - 1:00pm	Maths (Foundation and Higher)	Maths Block & Boothroyd Hall

Year 11 Maths Revision Conference – Saturday 2nd March

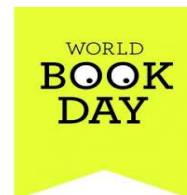
This Saturday, 2nd March, the Maths Department are running a revision conference from 9:00am until 1:00pm for all Year 11 students. This will really help them to prepare for the upcoming mock exams and cover a large number of the GCSE topics. Please remind your son/daughter to attend

and to arrive on time for a prompt 9:00am start.

Mrs Morris
Director of Learning for maths

Thursday 7TH March World Book Day

This day is marked in over 100 countries worldwide and the day is a celebration of reading.



The main aim of the day in the UK and Ireland is to encourage children of all ages to explore the pleasure of reading. It is actually the biggest celebration of its kind, designated by UNESCO (United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization is a specialized agency of the United Nations based in Paris).

Sign up and take part in World Book Day

To celebrate **WBD** our school will be holding an all-day reading marathon which will be held in Main Street. Every 15 minutes throughout the day a different student will read to keep the marathon going. To make this marathon more fun and encourage students to take part and read a staged area will be set-up as a camping theme complete with a tent, camping chairs, mock fire, even plants and leaves.

To take part: students will need to see Ms Osland in the library to book a 15 minute time slot and have it entered in their planner. Don't miss out on this fun event, book your time slot now.

Ms Osland
School Librarian

Red Nose Day

We will be raising money for Red Nose Day Comic Relief which takes place on **Friday 15th March**. Students will be invited to come to school in non-school uniform and contribute £1 which will go to the charity. The theme is Mickey and Minnie Mouse wearing their red noses however, any famous cartoon character will be a good choice. If students do not want to dress up they may want to paint faces in the customary Red Nose Day way. Please ensure that clothing is sensible, no vest tops, tops with straps or cropped tops should be worn.



Shorts and skirts should be of an appropriate length. Students should not wear jewellery.

There will also be a 'tell a joke competition' to celebrate the comic element of fundraising which is such an important part of this event. Please support our students with this. Thank you in advance for supporting us to raise money for a worthy cause.

Ms Salih
Assistant Headteacher

Young Carers

We recently held two special assemblies to raise awareness of our Young Carers. We were supported by Hannah Martin from Young Carers of Barking and Dagenham.

Students were reminded of how resilient these young people have to be and how, at times, the support they give family members can impact on them at school.

Two members of our Action Team: Remi Newman 9I and Kiera Allwell-Brown 9I supported this event by spending their own time to produce an information board which was displayed on Main Street for everyone to see. They felt strongly that the school community should recognise our young carers and what they do (please see page 5 of this edition of The Seagull for more information).

Mrs Staggs
Lead Inclusion Practitioner

Superbugs: 'Join the fight competition'



Congratulations to Abrar Sidker 9I, Ali Dibra 9J and Ella Ayres 8D who made it onto the shortlist for the Superbugs 'Join the Fight' competition. There were many entrants from

schools across the UK and the judges thought their work was particularly creative and so wanted to present them with letters of commendation. Well done!

Miss O'Neill
Science Department



OFFICE ASSISTANTS

The Office Assistants for next week are:

Monday	Jack Munday 8G
Tuesday	Martynas Naimovicius 8G
Wednesday	Aaron Newby Kouroushi 8G
Thursday	Oyinkansola Oginni 8G
Friday	Jessica Patmore-Martin 8G



Year 10 & 11 Mock Exams

Below is a copy of the Year 11 mock exam timetable and Year 10 Maths mock 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 March 2019

Day/Date	Paper	Length	Time
Monday 4 th March	English Language Paper 1	1 hour 45mins	9:00am
Monday 4 th March	History Paper 1	1 hour 45mins	11:30am
Monday 4 th March	Dual Science B2 Separate Science B2	1 hour 10mins 1 hour 45mins	2:00pm
Thursday 7 th March	English Language Paper 2	1 hour 45mins	9:00am
Thursday 7 th March	GCSE Business Studies Paper 2	1 hour 30mins	11:30am
Thursday 7 th March	Geography Paper 2	1 hour 30mins	2:00pm
Friday 8 th March	English Literature Paper 1	1 hour 45mins	9:00am
Friday 8 th March	PE Paper 1 Music Listening Paper	1 hour 45mins 1 hour 30mins	11:30am
Friday 8 th March	History Paper 2	1 hour 20mins	2:00pm
Monday 11 th March	English Literature Paper 2	2 hour 15mins	8:30am
Monday 11 th March	Dual Science C1 Separate Science P2	1 hour 10mins 1 hour 45mins	11:30am
Monday 11 th March	Maths Paper 1	1 hour 30mins	2:00pm
Tuesday 12 th March	Maths Paper 2	1 hour 30mins	9:00am
Tuesday 12 th March	Computer Science Paper 2 Food Hospitality & Catering	1 hour 30mins 1 hour 45mins 1 hour 15mins	11:30am
Tuesday 12 th March	Dual Science C2 Separate Science C2	1 hour 10mins 1 hour 45mins	2:00pm
Wednesday 13 th March	Maths Paper 3	1 hour 30mins	9:00am
Wednesday 13 th March	Citizenship DT Written Paper	1 hour 45mins 2 hours	11:30am
Wednesday 13 th March	PE Paper 2 Drama Written Paper	1 hour 15mins 1 hour 30mins	2:00pm
Thursday 14 th and Friday 15 th March	Art	All Day in Art Corridor	

Year 10 Mock Maths Exam Timetable March 2019

Tuesday 5 th March	Year 10 Maths Paper 1	1 hour 30mins	9:00am
Wednesday 6 th March	Year 10 Maths Paper 2	1 hour 30mins	9:00am

YOUNG CARERS

SUPPORT SESSIONS

START

AFTER EASTER

SEE

Mrs. Staggs



My Story

I have been a young carer for over a year now, I care for my dad and sometimes help my mum.

There was a time before I was a young carer when I would get stressed or very emotional but, I was given some help and I talked to people about how I was feeling and explained that I cared for my dad and they suggested going to Young Carers.

Once I joined I got a lot of help and support to understand things.

I have felt happier and more able to cope.

I care for my dad because he had a heart attack when I was six. Although he survived, he is partially sighted and has some brain damage. I help to keep the house clean and do chores, as well as help my dad with his basic care.

I think becoming a young carer has changed my life so much and made me a lot more positive.

I'm just glad I became a young carer.

Year 10 Student.

My Story

I was a young carer for my mum when she was diagnosed with Multiple Sclerosis when I was in Year 6.

In just a couple of months my mum lost her eyesight and mobility which changed the way things had always been in my family with my mum being at the centre of our home.

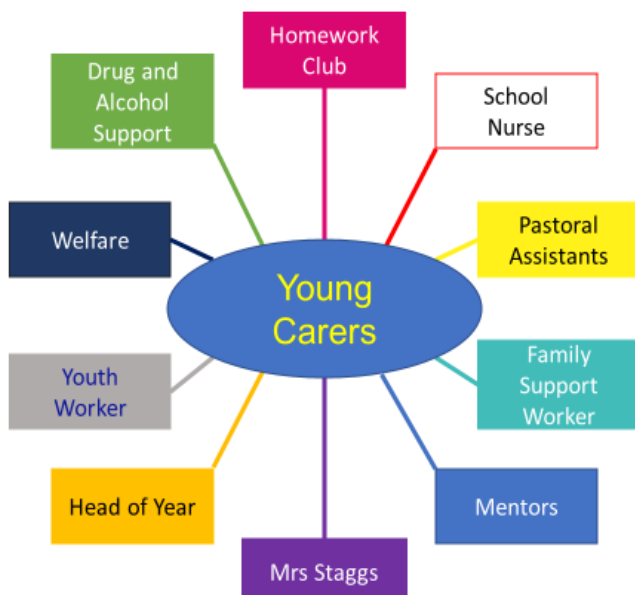
My dad worked long hours to support our family which meant, as the eldest of 5 children, it became my responsibility to help my mum get ready for the day ahead and make sure my siblings got dressed and ready for school on time.

Lots of things changed during this period and it was a very unsettled time in my life, as well as starting secondary school. I had to grow up very quickly to take on this extra responsibility and my school were able to help me with this.

Being able to have support from my school helped me to juggle my home and school life.

A member of staff

Additional Support



Castle Green Uniform Shop at Jo Richardson Community School

We sell uniform for Jo Richardson Community School and a number of local primary schools. We offer a range of items such as polo shirts, sweatshirts, fleeces, knitwear, skirts, jogging bottoms, plimsolls, caps, hats, PE kits and book bags.

How to Order

In Person:

Shop opening times are every Saturday 10am - 2pm.

Order and Collect:

You can place your order at Castle Green Reception,

Monday to Friday 4pm - 9pm /

Saturday and Sunday 9am - 4pm.

Order by phone on 020 8724 1500,

Monday to Friday 4pm - 9pm /

Saturday and Sunday 9am - 4pm.

Click and Collect:

You can order and pay online by visiting:

<https://castle-green.org.uk/uniform-shop/>

We accept payment by cash or debit/credit card.



020 8724 1500



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Main School Dates 2018/19

Spring Term 2019

Start of Term for Students	Monday	7 th January
Sixth Form Parents' Evening (Year 13 Priority)	Thursday	7 th February
First day of Half Term	Monday	18 th February
Last day of Half Term	Friday	22 nd February
Sixth Form Parents' Evening (Year 12 Priority)	Thursday	21 st March
End of Term	Friday	5 th April

Summer Term 2019

Start of Term for Students	Tuesday	23 rd April
Public Holiday	Monday	6 th May
First day of Half Term	Monday	27 th May
Last day of Half Term	Friday	31 st May
Year 10 Work Experience (one week)	Monday – Friday	10 th – 14 th June
Sixth Form Transition Week	Monday – Friday	8 th – 12 th July
Whole School ACHIEVE Days 3 & 4	Wednesday - Thursday	10 th – 11 th July
Sports Day	Friday	12 th July
Whole School ACHIEVE Day 5	Thursday	18 th July
End of Term	Friday	19 th July
GCE Results Day	Thursday	15 th August
GCSE Results Day	Thursday	22 nd August



Main School Dates 2019/20

Autumn Term 2019

Staff training day. School closed	Tuesday	3 rd September
Staff training day. School closed	Friday	18 th October
First day of Half Term	Monday	21 st October
Last day of Half Term	Friday	25 th October
End of Term	Thursday	19 th December

Spring Term 2020

Start of Term for Students	Monday	6 th January
First day of Half Term	Monday	17 th February
Last day of Half Term	Friday	21 st February
End of Term	Friday	3 rd April

Summer Term 2020

Start of Term for Students	Monday	20 th April
Public Holiday	Monday	4 th May
First day of Half Term	Monday	25 th May
Last day of Half Term	Friday	29 th May
End of Term	Friday	17 th July