

The Seagull



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Next week is Week 1

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HEADTEACHER'S NEWS

JRCS Sixth Form

On Wednesday 13th November we held our Sixth Form Open Evening which was attended by nearly 250 Year 11 students and their parents. Our year on year improvement in results means that our Sixth Form is becoming more and more popular and we have expanded our post 16 offer this year to include A Level Geography, AS Dance and AS Photography. Year 11 students now need to make sure that they apply online as soon as possible in order to secure their place at JRCS for September 2020.

On Wednesday 15th January we are holding our second Year 11 Progress Evening and we will be interviewing every Year 11 student to discuss their post 16 options with them and making sure they are on the right pathway after they have completed their exams in the Summer of 2020.

Mr Smith
Headteacher



GENERAL NEWS

Remembrance Day

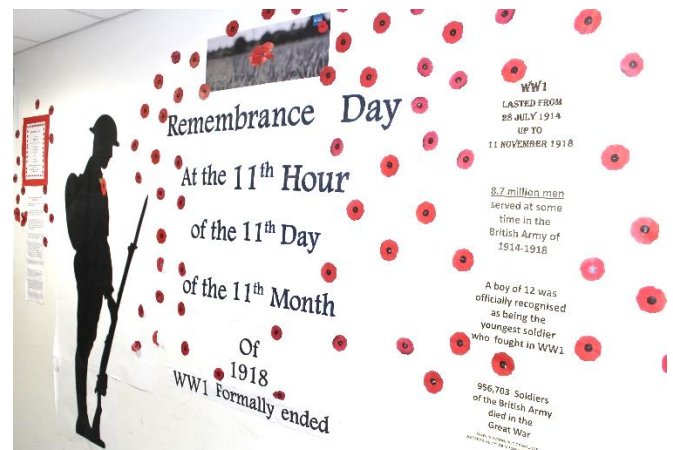


Our school community marked Remembrance Day with whole school assemblies delivered by Ms Pooley. At just before 11:00am, Mr Jenner played the Last Post from Buck

Bridge whilst the students and staff had an opportunity to reflect on lost lives during a period of silence. Year 8 students took responsibility for selling poppies at break and proceeds will be sent to the Royal British Legion.

A Year 8 student Kyran, wrote the poem below whilst reflecting during the period of silence:

*The days that have passed,
The years that have gone,
Still we remember those soldiers from
beyond.
Through terrible times of pain and strife,
The ones who help our country and gave their
lives.
For two minutes we commend them.
Remember them. Remember them.*



Above is a display from our school library.

Ms Salih
Assistant Headteacher

Parliament Week



A Level Politics students took part in the national Parliament Week this year. In assemblies in Boothroyd Hall students from all year groups were told about our link with Betty Boothroyd, former Speaker of the House of Commons, who opened our school in 2002. The assembly was on the day that the newest Speaker was elected. The Year 13 politics class all contributed to the assembly. They wanted to celebrate the good things about our democracy, even though there are some difficulties at the moment.

Thanks.

Mrs Wren
Director of Sixth Form

Year 11 GCSE Product Design Interventions

Saturdays 16th November, 30th November and 14th December 9:00am – 3:00pm with Ms Latif

Faraday Science Challenge Day



On Thursday 31st October 36 students from Year 8 took part in the Faraday Challenge run by the Institute of Engineering and Technology. On the day students were introduced to a challenge which tested their

teamwork and communication skills, as well as (STEM) Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths knowledge and problem solving. Students worked in teams of six throughout the day and were scored on various tasks and towards the end of the day student had to present their ideas and solutions. The winning team has been entered into the regional leader board and if they remain near the top they may be invited to the regional finals. They have also been invited to the Young Engineers Festival next summer. Well done to all students who took part, you all worked amazingly well and you will all be receiving certificate from the IET.

Particularly well done to the wining team Thomas, Oliver, Casey, Hisham, Aleksandar and Alfie.



Mrs Brook
Science Department

Cooking Club



Last week we had our first cooking night where the students cooked some great brownies. They have shown a great deal of commitment to the club, comprising a mixture of 7, 8, 9 and Year 10 D of E students. Well done on your work and great success. I would like to thank Ms Deboo and Ms Moffatt for their support.

Well done all.

Mr Hargreaves
Food and Catering



Junior GYM

Ages 11-15



WEEKDAYS
4PM - 6PM

WEEKENDS
8:30AM - 5PM

JRCS HOLIDAYS
8:30AM - 6PM

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WORD OF THE WEEK

11th – 15th November 2019



JRCS 200 word challenge



Read It

remembrance

Define It

1. The act of remembering or holding something in our mind;
2. Specifically, the act of remembering and honouring those who have died.

Digging Deeper:

In the UK, we hold Remembrance Sunday each year on the Sunday that falls closest to 11th November: the day WW1 ended. This day was originally used to remember soldiers who died in WW1, but it has since broadened and is now an opportunity for us to pay our respects to everybody who has lost their lives due to conflict, including soldiers from other wars, civilians and victims of terror attacks. 40 million poppies are distributed each year to mark Remembrance Day. The story of why we wear poppies dates back to 1915, when Lieutenant-Colonel John McCrae lost his friend in the battle of Ypres. As he was grieving the loss of his friend, he spotted lots of poppies growing in the battle fields. This poignant sight inspired him to write one of the most famous war poems of all time: *In Flanders Fields*.

Draw It

On the whiteboard/paper/ mini whiteboards

Use It

1. Each year, we hold Remembrance Day to mark the day WW1 ended.
2. She had fond remembrances of her time at school.

Link It

Report back next week: how did you find ways to link this word to your learning in different subjects?

Deconstruct It

Taken from the Latin roots:

mem ~ to call to mind
memorari ~ to be mindful of