

The Seagull



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HEADTEACHER'S NEWS

Slow Return to Normality

Today our students will have been back at JRCS for nearly a month. They are now used to the new routines, new classrooms and new timings of the school day. I am very pleased with the way that they have responded to the enormous amount of changes that we have put into place. They have settled into their studies and accepted the limitations that the new COVID restrictions have forced upon their daily school life.

We are now planning for the future and looking at every way we can return to some level of normality in these challenging times. We are looking at how we can restart after school clubs and activities, intervention classes, detentions and some trips. We have already restarted our Wings Academy in Years 7 and 8, dance classes and fitness training are taking place and our Year 11 and 13 students are attending interventions in specific subject areas.

Obviously, all of this will be done with strict adherence to COVID-19 guidelines for schools. Please can you make sure you keep an eye on The Seagull for further updates and more information.

Mr Smith
Headteacher



GENERAL NEWS

Time to Return Library Books

Thank you to all the students who have returned their library books so far. You will all be receiving your LOC if you haven't already. All other students who have a library book need to return books now.

Email reminders will be sent home next week with details of the library book borrowed. If for whatever reason the book cannot be returned the £5 library fine should be paid on ParentPay. This payment goes towards the cost of a replacement book.

Any concerns regarding library books email Josland@jorichardson.org.uk

Ms Osland
School Librarian



WORD OF THE WEEK

12th-16th October 2020

JRCS 200 word challenge



Read It

Benevolent

Define It

1. Well-meaning and kind; an organisation serving a charitable rather than a profit-making purpose (*Adjective*)

Digging Deeper:

We can further understand our new word by considering the antonym, malevolent. The stem 'mal-' is the opposite of 'bene'- so malevolent means ill-wishing or spiteful. We can see the same ideas in other words such as maleficent meaning vicious or criminal. Lots of you might recognise this from Disney movies! Words in French and Spanish also mirror 'bene' and 'mal' for good and bad- can you translate?

Deconstruct It

The word has Latin origins from 'bene' meaning well and the Latin verb 'velle' to wish. This then became the Latin phrase 'bene volent' meaning well wishing. The first part of the word meaning well has informed other words associated with giving such as benefit.

Draw It

On the whiteboard/paper/ mini whiteboards

Use It

1. The footballer was admired for being benevolent as well as talented in her field.
2. Proceeds from the event will go towards a benevolent fund to support victims.

Link It

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