

The Seagull



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HEADTEACHER'S NEWS

COVID-19

Unfortunately, there has been an increasing number of COVID infections across the Borough since we returned from the half-term break. This has meant that all secondary schools in the Borough have experienced positive cases amongst students or staff or both. At JRCS we are continuing to ensure that our school environment is as safe as possible for both our students and staff.

It is vitally important that you also make sure that your son or daughter follows the rules of the Lockdown until the beginning of December. It is clear that transmission is very limited in schools but is increasing significantly in local communities.

It is also vital that you do not send your son or daughter to school should they be exhibiting any symptoms. If this is the case, you must contact the absence line to inform them and then seek a test for your son or daughter immediately. Should the test result be negative they can return to school. If it is positive, they will need to isolate for 10 days, along with all members of the household for 14 days.

As I mentioned in last week's Seagull we have set up a special email address which can be used during out of school hours, including weekends to inform us if your son or daughter is showing symptoms or they have had a positive test result. The email address is: covid@jorichardson.org.uk and the absence line can be reached through the main school number: 0208 2706222.

Many thanks for your continuing support.
Stay safe.

Mr Smith
Headteacher



GENERAL NEWS

Anti-Bullying Week

Next week is Anti-Bullying Week and we would love everyone, students and staff, to take part in ODD SOCKS DAY on Monday 16th November. You can wear any socks as long as they don't match!! Wear them instead of your socks or over tights, the choice is yours. No need to bring in any money just wear your socks and show your support.

Remember, we are all unique!

Mrs Richardson
Senior Lead Mentor

Year 7 Flu Vaccinations:

Tuesday 17th November 2020

Vaccination UK are coming to school on Tuesday to administer Flu Jabs to Year 7. Please ensure that you have returned your child's form with your signature and whether your child is taking part.

Any queries regarding this vaccination should go to this number 0203 4321464.

Thank you.

Mrs O'Keefe
Student Services Manager
Attendance/Safeguarding Lead



FlashAcademy™

A huge congratulations to everyone taking part in the Flash Academy Programme. However, I need to congratulate and applaud the work of a few students in particular.

Year 7:

Well done to Stephani and Lary for their participation in the programme.

Year 8:

Well done to Samuel for his hard work and continuous focus with the Flash Academy Programme. Samuel is soon to receive a reward for his continuous hard work.

Year 10:

Well done Grace for your amazing effort this week. Keep it going.

Mrs Way

EAL Coordinator

PE Morning Clubs

Starting from next week, we will be making changes to the morning extra-curricular clubs due to the popular demand for different sports to be on offer. The timings for each club are below:

Tuesday – Year 7 Volleyball (7:45-8:15am)

Wednesday – Year 8 Basketball (8-8:30am)

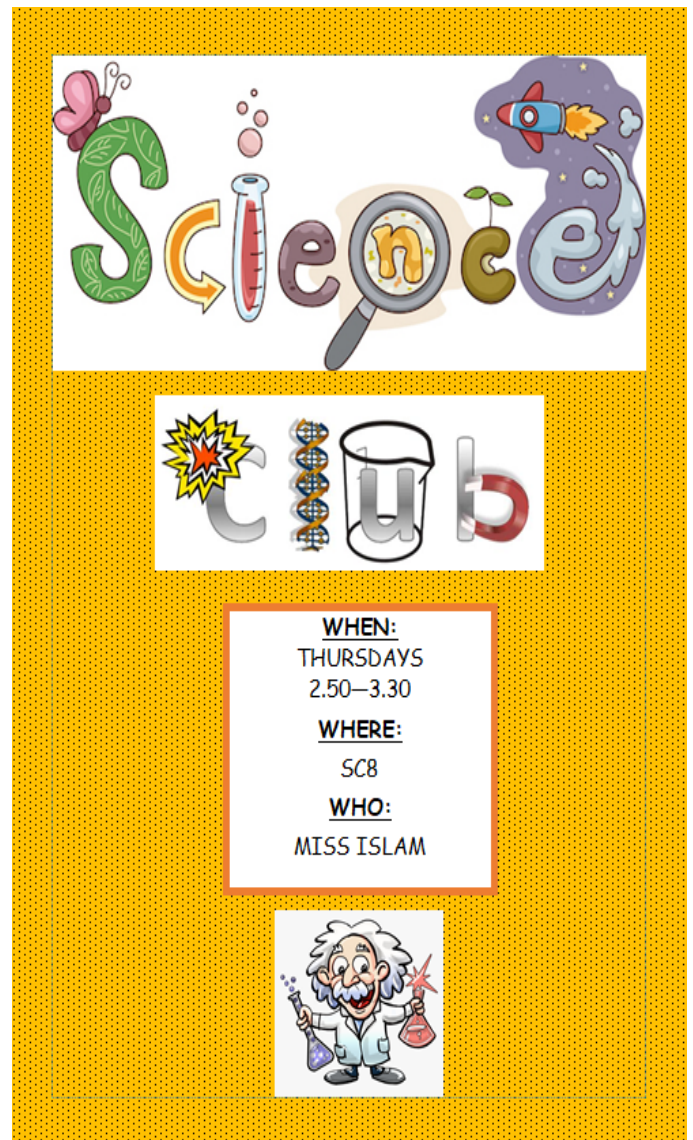
Thursday – Year 9 Basketball (8:15-8:45am)

Friday – Year 10 Basketball (8:15-8:45am)

Everyone is welcome. Come to school in your PE kit ready to go with your uniform in your bag. You will get changed into your uniform at the end of the club.

Mr Howard

Head of PE



The poster has a yellow background with a dotted pattern. At the top, the word 'Science' is written in large, colorful, stylized letters. The 'S' is green with a leaf, 'c' is orange with an arrow, 'i' is a test tube, 'e' is purple, 'n' is yellow with a magnifying glass, 'c' is green with a leaf, and 'e' is blue with a rocket. Below this, the word 'Club' is written in large, stylized letters. The 'C' is grey with a starburst, 'l' is a DNA helix, 'u' is a beaker, and 'b' is red. In the center, there is a white box with a red border containing the following text:
WHEN:
THURSDAYS
2.50–3.30
WHERE:
SC8
WHO:
MISS ISLAM
At the bottom of the poster is a cartoon illustration of a scientist with white hair, a beard, and a lab coat, holding a test tube and a flask.



The poster features a group of seven diverse school children in uniform smiling. Overlaid on the image is the text 'AT JO RICHARDSON WE' in large blue letters. Below this, a list of values is presented, each starting with a large white letter:
Aspire to be our best
Commit to our learning
Hold high standards in everything we do
Involve ourselves in our communities
Engage with all opportunities
Value, care for and respect each other
Establish resilience
At the bottom, there is a red logo of a bird in flight and the text 'SUCCESS FOR ALL' in blue.



“A Covid measure for Covid times”

Temporary night time closure of the Children’s Emergency Department at King George Hospital

We want to reassure you that despite Covid-19 we are still providing the same, safe care that we’ve always done for our children and young people.

It can be confusing to know what to do when your child is unwell or injured.

If you need advice, and your child has an urgent, but not life-threatening, health problem please contact 111 first. This can be done either online or by phone 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, and the service is free to use (including from all mobiles).

If it's a life-threatening emergency, phone 999.

We had to close our children’s inpatient ward at King George Hospital, earlier this year, to look after very sick Covid-19 patients. It will remain closed this winter and all children who need to stay in hospital will continue to be admitted to our children’s ward at Queen’s Hospital.

Overnight, during winter, we will be closing the children’s Emergency Department at King George Hospital because there will be no specialist children’s doctors on duty at the hospital at night. This will come into effect on 16 November.

Please don’t bring your child to the Emergency Department at King George Hospital between 9pm and 9am as there will be no specialist children’s doctors on duty.

When you contact 111, during the night this winter, they will tell you to bring your child to Queen’s Hospital if they need to be seen by one of our emergency doctors.

We are doing this to ensure we use our resources as wisely as possible to keep you safe. We have a number of staff vacancies that we are actively working to fill and several of our paediatricians are shielding.

This closure is a temporary measure, because of Covid-19. We are absolutely committed to reopening the paediatric Emergency Department at King George Hospital during the night as soon as it is safe to do so. We want to do this by April 2021, subject to the ongoing impact of the pandemic. We will continue to monitor the situation on a daily basis.

The Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health (RCPCH) have provided some helpful advice on what to do when your child is unwell. [Please visit their website to download their poster.](#)

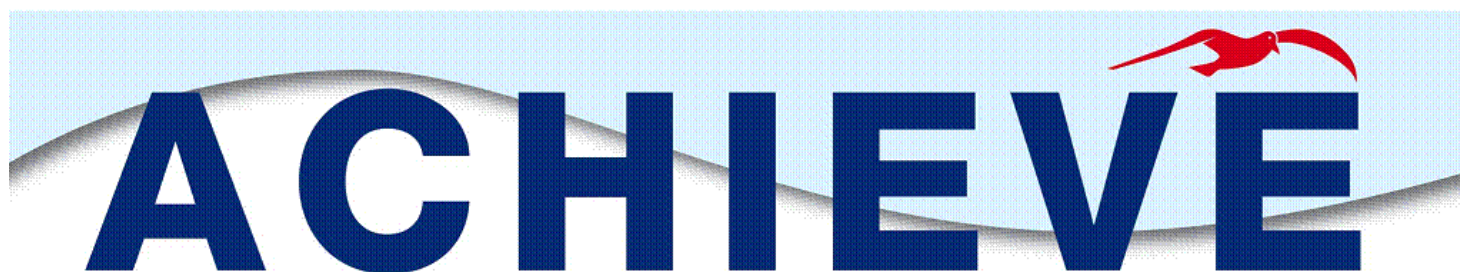


Weekly Outline of Out of School Hours Learning Activities Autumn 2020

Club	Year Group	Staff	Time	Venue
Monday				
Year 11 EAL Intervention	11	Mrs Way	8:30am - 9:00am	EN3
SDD Homework	7	Mrs Roulit & Mrs Debono	11:00am - 11:30am	SD3
Step into Dance Hip Hop	7	Visiting Dance Teacher	11:00am - 11:30am	DA1
SDD Homework	8	Mr Bashir & Ms Newman	12:30pm - 1:00pm	SD3
Step into Dance Hip Hop	8	Visiting Dance Teacher	12:30pm - 1:00pm	DA1
SDD Homework	9	Mr Bahir & Miss Hunt	1:30pm - 2:00pm	ARP1
Step into Dance Hip Hop	9	Visiting Dance Teacher	1:30pm - 2:00pm	DA1
Cooking Club/Cake Club	7	Mr Hargreaves	3:30pm - 4:45pm	FC4
Year 8 Wings	8	Mr Kersey	3:45pm-4:30pm	Astro
Tuesday				
Year 7 Fitness	7	Miss Emeny	7:45am - 8:15am	Sports Hall / Astro
Year 7 Wings	7	Mr Richards	7:45am - 8:15am	Sports Hall / Astro
Wings Dance Academy	7	Miss Jones & Miss Simpson	7:45am - 8:15am	DA1
SDD Homework	7	Miss Chandler	10:00am - 10:30am	SD3
SDD Homework	9	Mrs Prockter	10:30am - 11:00am	SD3
Wings Dance Academy	8	Miss Jones & Miss Simpson	12:30pm - 1:00pm	DA1
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Bronze DofE (starts 10/11/20 then every 2 weeks)	10	Mr Hargreaves/Miss Deboo/ Ms Montague	3:05pm - 4:30pm	FC4
Bronze D of E (starts 17/11/20 then every 2 weeks)	9	Mr Hargreaves & Miss Deboo	3:10pm - 4:10pm	FC4
CAD/CAM Electronics	9	Miss McKenzie	3:15pm - 4:10pm	DT3
Engineering	9	Mr Massop	3:15pm - 4:10pm	DT3
Year 8 Football	8	Mr Howard/Mr Coupland	3:15pm - 4:15pm	Astro
Year 8 Netball	8	Miss Emeny & Miss Jones	3:15pm - 4:15pm	Netball Courts
Year 7 Wings	7	Mr Richards	3:15pm - 4:15pm	Rugby Club
Wednesday				
Year 8 Fitness	8	Miss Jones	8:00am - 8:30am	Sports Hall / Astro
Year 8 Wings	8	Mr Seeds	8:00am - 8:30am	Sports Hall / Astro
Year 9 Music Band	9	Mr Jenner	8:30am - 9:00am	Music Recording Studio
Panathlon Club	8	Ms Montague	1:30pm - 2:00pm	Sports Hall
Year 8 Panathlon	8	Ms Montague	1:30pm - 2:00pm	Sports Hall
Peace Garden Club (Year 11 only for Autumn Term)	11	Mr Kilminster	2:10pm - 3:10pm	Peace Garden

Weekly Outline of Out of School Hours Learning Activities Autumn 2020

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Thursday				
Silver D of E	11	Ms Montague	8:00am - 9:00am	SD3
Year 9 Fitness	9	Mr Coupland	8:15am - 8:45am	Sports Hall / Astro
Year 9 Wings	9	Mr Kersey	8:15am - 8:45am	Sports Hall / Astro
Year 9 Music Band	9	Mr Jenner	8:30am - 9:00am	Music Recording Studio
SDD Homework	8	Mr Bashi & Mr Kilminster	11:00am - 11:30am	SD4
Year 7 Panathlon	7	Ms Montague	11:00am - 11:30am	Sports Hall
Panathlon Club	7	Ms Montague	11:00am - 11:30am	Sports Hall
SDD Homework	9	Mr Bashir & Mrs Roulit	11:30am - 12:00pm	SD3
SDD Homework	8	Mr Kilminster & Ms Montague	1:00pm - 1:30pm	SD3
Science Club	7	Miss Islam	2:50pm - 3:20pm	Science Lab
Digital Photography	9	Ms Franz	Online / Meet every 3 weeks 3:10pm - 4pm	Online / MS1
Build Environment Design	9	Miss McKenzie & Miss Kamalathanan	3:15pm - 4:10pm	DT5
Year 7 Football	7	Mr Coupland/Mr Howard	3:15pm - 4:15pm	Astro
Year 7 Netball	7	Miss Pridie/Miss Emeny	3:15pm - 4:15pm	Netball Courts
Year 9 Wings	9	Mr Kersey	3:15pm - 4:15pm	Rugby Club
Year 11 Intervention	11	Mr Howard	3:15pm - 4:15pm	PE1
Cooking Club	9	Miss Deboo	3:15pm - 4:30pm	FC1
Friday				
Year 10 Fitness	10	Mr Howard	8:15am - 8:45am	Sports Hall / Astro
Year 10 Wings	10	Mr Richards/Mr Seeds	8:15am - 8:45am	Sports Hall / Astro
Year 9 Football	9	Mr Coupland/Mr Howard	3:15pm - 4:15pm	Astro
Year 9 Netball	9	Miss Pridie/Miss Jones	3:15pm - 4:15pm	Netball Courts
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WINGS



Dance Academy

START DATE: Tuesday 17th November

TIME: Year 7: 7:45am - 8:15am every Tuesday

Year 8: 12:30pm – 1:00pm every Tuesday

LOCATION: DA1

DANCE STYLE: A range from Contemporary to Hip Hop

WHAT WE DO: Have fun choreographing and performing dance routines as well as improving your technique

REMEMBER: Arrive on time ready to dance and have your own bottle of water

**Email Miss Jones your name
and form if interested**





**UNITED
AGAINST
BULLYING**

#ANTIBULLYINGWEEK

What part will you play
this Anti-Bullying Week?

**ANTI-BULLYING
WEEK 2020**

16th – 20th November

**ODD SOCKS
DAY 2020** 

Monday 16th November

Monday 16th November – ODD SOCKS DAY

Come to school wearing odd socks to support Anti-Bullying Week.

The brighter, odder, crazier socks the better! Wear them with pride and ladies why not wear them over your tights!

Chocolates for the most outrageous effort!



WORD OF THE WEEK

16th-20th November 2020

JRCS 200 word challenge



Read It

Circumnavigate

Define It

To go completely around especially by water; to go around instead of through, to bypass.

Digging Deeper:

This word of the week will inspire you to think of lots of other words using the same root 'circum'. Did you think of circuit in DT or Science? Did you think of circumference in Maths? A circumlocution in English describes a roundabout way of speaking, when someone is deliberately indirect or evasive. Hopefully, you can clearly see the links here; these words link to ideas about rounds, circles, something all around. Etymologists (those who study the origin of words) think this meaning probably derived from *circus* meaning *ring*, dating back to the 14th century!

Deconstruct It

From Latin verb, *circumnavigare* 'to sail around'. This can again be broken down into 'circum-' meaning around and 'navigare' meaning to sail or to go by sea.

Link It

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

Draw It

On the whiteboard/paper/ mini whiteboards

Use It

1. She became only the eighth person in the world to circumnavigate the globe alone.
2. To get into 10 Downing Street, the politicians had to circumnavigate a crowd of protestors.