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The Seaguli

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COMMUNITY SCHOOL



Mr Smith receiving the Pearson Silver Award for Lifetime Achievement presented by Sharon Hague Senior Vice President at Pearson

## **HEADTEACHER'S NEWS**

## **Calendar and Events**

Unfortunately, the easing of lockdown conditions has been put back to Monday 19<sup>th</sup> July, which has had quite an impact upon a number of events we had planned for the final few weeks of term. Sadly, we are not able to hold our annual Year 11 Prom at Orsett Hall as well as our New Intake Evening and Day for the Year 6 students who will be joining us in September. We will, however, be saying farewell to our Year 13 students at a BBQ in the Wren Garden on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> July.

Our Sports Day at Mayesbrook Park which was calendared for Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> July has also been cancelled and will be replaced by 'Sports Mornings' for Years 7, 8 and 9 during the week

of Monday 12<sup>th</sup> July. The Year 12 trip to Brighton and Year 10 trip to Chessington have both been cancelled. More information relating to these events will be in next week's Seagull.

Our Celebration Events for Years 7 to 10 will now take place in the school day, again during the week beginning Monday 12<sup>th</sup> July. Unfortunately, we will not be able to accommodate parents at any of these events.

Finally, the school term ends on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> July and students will be dismissed from school early. More information about these times will appear in next week's Seagull.

#### **Gold Seagull**

Special congratulations to this week's Double Gold Seagull winner: Zoha in Year 7.



Keyra - Year 8: Triple Gold Seagull Winner



Ryan - Year 10 and Zoha - Year 7: Gold Seagull Winners

Mr Smith Headteacher

## GENERAL NEWS

### **Pearson Silver Success**

On Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June our wonderful staff at JRCS celebrated National 'Thank a Teacher' day, which is dedicated to recognising the hard work and effort provided by educators and support staff.

Our incredible Year 12 BTEC Business students, along with our talented Business Department led by Miss Wright, hosted our very own afternoon tea awards ceremony, an event which honoured our staff and their efforts during one of the most challenging years. Students shared thoughtful comments of commendation via postcards with staff and thanked them for going the extra mile.

Alongside this, the school was joined by the BBC to showcase and commend our Headteacher, Mr Smith, for his dedicated service in education. Selected from thousands of nominations, Mr Smith has been chosen as one of 102 Pearson National Teaching Silver Award winners across the country. Mr Smith was honoured with a Silver Award in The Award for Lifetime Achievement for his outstanding commitment to changing the lives of the children he has worked with over the past 38 years.

The Silver Award winners are being honoured as part of the wider celebrations for 'Thank a Teacher Day', a national campaign to honour and recognise school staff for their incredible work. Mr Smith has now been shortlisted to win one of just 15 Gold Awards later in the year, in a programme which will be broadcast on the BBC. This is a great opportunity to celebrate the exceptional school staff who have worked wonders during an incredibly challenging time for educators across the country.

I am sure you will join us in wishing Mr Smith the best of luck and thank him again for his contribution to the school and wider community.



Mr Smith with Mr Buck and the class of 2002



Boothroyd Hall preparation









Year 7 Cooking Club



Students had a nice Cooking Club session on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> June when they cooked some nice little carrot cakes. The students demonstrated a lot of skill in the practical and they were really enjoying lesson; the end results were great and they were very pleased. I would like to thank Ms Moffatt for her support in helping our great students. Well done Year 7.

Mr Hargreaves Food and Catering

### Year 9 Wellbeing Club



The Year 9 Wellbeing Club members have tried out several different activities to help them relax, have a chat, boost their mood and unwind after the school day. We have painted and meditated in the Peace Garden, made clay pots, played team games and this week we made chocolate chip cookies.

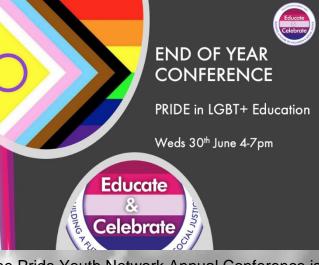




If you would like to get involved with our Tuesday group, please let the Year 9 team know!

Ms Hunt and Ms Dino

**Pride Youth Network Annual Conference** 



The Pride Youth Network Annual Conference is online this year. Gain entry at the link below. Ms Harland will be on the panel and speaking about JRCS Pride and how it goes from strength to strength.

https://www.educateandcelebrate.org/ec-endof-year-conference-pride-in-lgbt-education/

Ms Harland Head of Media

Club	Year Group	Staff	Time	Venue
	Group	Monday		
Year 8 Wings Boys Football	By referral or invitation	Mr Kersey/Mr Richards	7:45am - 8:30am	SC4
SDD Homework	7	Mrs Roult & Mrs Debono	11:00am - 11:30am	SD3
Step into Dance Hip Hop Classes	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 Classes	8	Visiting Dance Teacher	12:30am - 1:00pm	DA1
SDD Homework	9	Mr Bashir & Miss Hunt	1:30pm - 2:00pm	ARP1
Step into Dance Hip Hop Classes	9	Visiting Dance Teacher	1:30am - 2:00pm	DA1
Debating Club	12	Rodrigo / Ms Duncan	1:30pm - 2:10pm	SD4
Year 8 Wings Football	By referral or invitation	Mr Kersey/Mr Richards	3:15pm - 4:45pm approx	Astro
Year 7 Wings Rugby	By referral or invitation	Mr Kersey/Mr Richards	3:15pm - 4:45pm approx	Sports Field
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Year 7 Wings Girls Football	By referral or invitation	Mr Kersey/Mr Richards	7:45am - 8:30am	Astro
Year 7 Volleyball	7	Mr Coupland	7:45am - 8:15am	Sports Hall
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
Wings Dance Academy	9	Miss Jones & Miss Simpson	1:30pm - 2:00pm	DA1
Debating Club	12	Rodrigo/ Ms Duncan	1:30pm - 2:10pm	SD4
Year 10 Bronze D of E	10	Ms Montague	3:05pm - 4:30pm	SD4
Mad Hatters Drama and Dance	7 & 8	Ms Hallas	3:10pm - 4:10pm	Year 7 DR3 & Year 8 DA2
Wellbeing Club	9	Miss Hunt & Miss Dino	3:15pm – 4:00pm	Maths Atrium
Textiles Club	8	Mrs Mir	3:10pm - 4:10pm	DT4
Engineering Club	9	Ms Hinds	3:15pm - 4:10pm	DT5
CAD/CAM Electronics	8	Miss McKenzie	3:15pm - 4:10pm	DT3
Year 8 Athletics, Cricket, Rounders & Tennis	8	All PE staff	3:15pm - 4:15pm	Astro and Field
Year 7 Wings Football Boys/Girls	By referral or invitation	Mr Richards	3:15pm - 4:45pm approx	MU3
Year 8 Wings Rugby	By referral or invitation	Mr Kersey	3:15pm - 4:45pm	Sports Field

Club	Year Group	Staff	Time	Venue
	Group	Wednesday		
Year 8 Wings Football	By referral or invitation	Mr Kersey/Mr Richards	7:45am - 8:30am	Astro
Year 8 Fitness and Basketball	8	Miss Jones	8:00am - 8:30am	Sports Hall and Astro
Year 10 Band	10	Mr Jenner	8:45am - 9:20am	Music Recording Studio
Year 9 Wings Rugby	By referral or invitation	Mr Kersey/Mr Richards	2:00pm - 3:00pm	Gym
Year 7 Wings Football	By referral or invitation	Mr Richards/Mr Bashir	2:00pm - 3:00pm	Astro
Year 8 Panathlon	8	Ms Montague	approx 1:30pm - 2:00pm	Sports Hall
Peace Garden Club	By	Mr Kilminster	2:10pm - 3:10pm	Peace Garden
	invitation	Thursday		
Year 9 Wings Football	By referral	Mr Richards/Mr Bashir	7:45am - 8:30am	Astro
Year 9 Wings Rugby	or invitation By referral	Mr Kersey	7:45am - 8:30am	Gym
Year 9 Basketball	or invitation 9		8:15am - 8:45am	Sports Hall
Year 9 Music Band (starts		Miss Emeny		and Astro Music Recording
24/03/21)	9	Mr Jenner	8:30am - 9:00am	Studio
SDD Homework	8	Mr Bashir & Mr Kilminster	11:00am - 11:30am	SD4
Year 7 Panathlon	7	Ms Montague	11:00am - 11:30am	Sports Hall
SDD Homework	9	Mr Bashir & Mrs Roult	11:30am - 12:00pm	SD3
SDD Homework	8	Mr Kilminster	1:00pm - 1:30pm	SD3
Debating Club	12	Rodrigo / Ms Duncan	1:30pm - 2:10pm	SD4
Science Club	7	Miss Islam	2:50pm - 3:20pm	Science Lab
Mad Hatters Drama and Dance	9&10	Ms Hallas	3:00pm - 4:00pm	Year 9 DR3 & Year 10 DA2
Digital Photography	9	Ms Franz	Meets every 3 weeks 3:10pm - 4:00pm	Online / MS1
Textiles Club	8	Mrs Mir	3:10pm - 4:10pm	DT4
Built Environment Design	9	Miss McKenzie & Miss Kamalathasan	3:15pm - 4:10pm	DT5
Year 7 Athletics, Cricket, Rounders & Tennis	7	All PE staff	3:15pm - 4:15pm	Astro
Year 9 Wings Rugby	By referral or invitation	Mr Kersey	3:15pm - 4:45pm	Sports Field
Year 10 Wings Football	By referral or invitation	Mr Richards	approx 3:15pm - 4:45pm	HU3
Year 11 Intervention	11	Mr Howard	approx 3:15pm - 4:15pm	SS1
Cooking Club	9	Miss Deboo	3:15pm - 4:30pm	FC1
Cooking Club/Cake Club	7	Mr Hargreaves	3:30pm - 4:45pm	FC4
		Friday		
Year 9 Wings Rugby	By referral or invitation	Mr Kersey	7:45am - 8:30am	MA1
Year 10 Wings Football	By referral or invitation	Mr Richards	7:45am - 8:30am	Astro
Year 10 Basketball	10	Mr Howard	8:15am - 8:45am	Sports Hall and Astro
Debating Club	12	Rodrigo / Ms Duncan	1:30pm - 2:10pm	SD4
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Year 10 Wings Football	By referral or invitation	Mr Richards	3:15pm - 4:45pm	Astro

#### WORD OF THE WEEK 28th June- 2nd July 2021 JRCS 200 word challenge Read it Define it: Gregarious Fond of company and sociable Digging deeper: Draw It The Latin 'grex' to describe social behaviour extended throughout the 18th century to describe On the whiteboard/paper/ mini flocking together. It has formed words like congregate and its antonym, segregate. It also forms whiteboards the adjective 'egregious'. Rather than wanting to be with others like a gregarious person, an egregious person is noticeable for bad reasons and stands out from the crowd e.g. He's an egregious example of a jealous person. Use It 1. Gregarious people are likely to Deconstruct it Link It hang out with friends every weekend Derived from Grex the Latin for flock. This adjective was used Report back next while reserved people may enjoy time to describe animal behaviour, I.e. sheep and cows that live in week: how did you find alone. flocks or herds. By extension, gregarious is then used to describe human behaviour and gregarious came to describe those who are ways to link this word 2. You radiate gregarious energy surely to brighten anyone's day. happiest surrounded by others. to your learning in

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different subjects?

3. The gregarious 94 year old grooved

to rap music, a move that shocked the

other retirees