

The Seagull



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Next Week is Week 1

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Year 13 Bow out in STYLE!

HEADTEACHER'S NEWS

Goodbye for now to Year 11 and Year 13



This week we held our celebration assembly for Year 11 and our boat party for Year 13.

Year 11 and 13, I am extremely proud of all you have achieved in your time at JRCS. You have been fantastic role models for the younger students and have developed into mature responsible young adults who embody the key character traits of respect, resourcefulness, self-reflection, and of course resilience. I hope

you all achieve the results you deserve this summer.

Now as you stand at the threshold of new beginnings, remember that you are equipped with a solid foundation of knowledge, skills and values. The world eagerly awaits your contributions and I have no doubt each of you will go on to achieve greatness in your chosen paths. Embrace the unknown with courage and curiosity, knowing that the lessons of the past have prepared you for the adventures ahead. As you embark on the next chapter, know that you carry with you the best wishes of all the staff here at JRCS.

Welcome Year 6

As one chapter comes to an end, another one begins. It was fantastic to welcome our new Year 7 students on Friday. I hope you enjoyed your first day at secondary school and we look forward to welcoming you on the first day of term in September.

Congratulations to our Head Students



Last week I had the pleasure of interviewing our prospective Head Students. I am extremely proud of all students who put themselves forward for the role. It was amazing to hear what you had already achieved in your time at JRCS, I hope you continue this enthusiasm into Year 11! Congratulations to Ibrahim & Ayen Year 10

who were was appointed as Head Students and Enoch and Mia Year 10 who were appointed as Deputy Head Students.

Dates for your diary

We have lots of exciting events coming up towards the end of term including our ACHIEVE days. You should have received detailed information about the many workshops or off site visits your child will be participating in via a leaflet sent out on MCAS. Please see below for a reminder about key dates.

Date	Activity
Monday 3 rd July	Year 11 Prom
Wednesday 5 th July	Closed due to industrial action
Friday 7 th July	Closed due to industrial action

Wednesday 12 th July	ACHIEVE day 3 (see Individual timings for trips)
Thursday 13 th July	ACHIEVE day 4 (see Individual timings for trips)
Friday 14 th July	Sports day
Tuesday 18 th July	ACHIEVE day 5 (see Individual timings for trips)
Wednesday 19 th July	End of term, school closes 12.00pm

Ms Keane
Headteacher

Change to payments

Can all parents/carers please note that, from September, we will be changing the way you make payments for lunch, trips etc. This will all be done via the MCAS app. You will still be able to have a barcode letter if you want to pay at the shop, but we will no longer be using ParentPay, please try to use the balance up before the Achieve Days in July.

Mrs Stone
Office Manager

Student Absence

If your child is absent from school, please call 0208 2706222 and select option 1. Please leave a message clearly stating your child's full name, class and reason for absence.

You can also email absence@jorichardson.org.uk. If you do not use either of these options, the Attendance Team may not get the information in time, and this could result in an unauthorised absence and a text to say your child is not at school.

Thank you.

Mrs Garland
Assistant Office Manager



Year 11 Leavers Day!



The time finally came last week to wave goodbye to our dear Year 11s. They have been a wonderful set of individuals who have so much talent and potential within. It has been an absolute pleasure to take them through their journey at KS4 and I can't wait to welcome so many of them back for Sixth Form.

The day started with shirt signing in Main Street, where students got to come back together after weeks of only seeing each other in a group prior to their exams. Following this, it was onto the lines for the last time to await the 'guard of honour' where staff line the route to Boothroyd Hall to clap the Year 11s into the hall



for the last time, this is in reference to when they are clapped out in Year 7 on their first day.

We then had an excellent assembly where we celebrated twelve students getting £100 for completing 100% attendance for 5 years, 18 students achieving the Gold Seagull in Year 11, ten best tutees from each form, our nominated Jack Petchey winners and of course, those who achieved specialist awards that will mean their name is on the walls of JRCS forever!

Finally, the day ended with the traditional balloon (biodegradable) release to signify the end of an era of JRCS history.

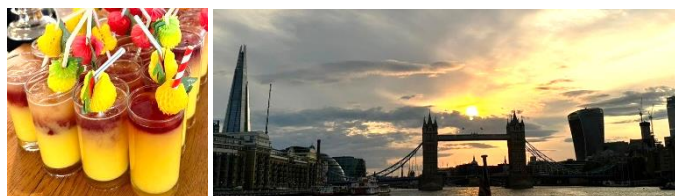
Can I just take this opportunity to thank Year 11 for all their hard work and determination throughout the exam season, they thrived when the pressure was on and every single one of them made me feel very proud.

We look forward to seeing them all at the prom on Monday 3rd July and for Sixth Form induction on Thursday 6th July.

Congratulations Year 11

Ms Draisey
Head of Year 11!

Year 13 Bow out in STYLE!



Year 13 pulled the curtain down on their journeys with JRCS on Monday night during their leavers' boat party.

Having travelled there in style on traditional double decker buses, the students embarked to a reception drink and an evening of memories, fun, laughter, photo booth posing and dancing.

London gave them a great farewell with wonderful weather, and as the light faded London lights lit up their Thames adventure. I am immensely proud of them as a year group; they have got on with the academic and subject demands throughout the two years in Sixth Form. We have some outstanding BTEC & CTEC results already in and await the A Level results in August.

As a year group they are polite, courteous, and caring. They have a sense of identity and look after each other. Seeing them on Monday night it was evident that they will confidently make their way on the next stretch of their life's journey via university, apprenticeship, and work. They will capture people's attention; their characters and work ethos will capture people's admiration. I have no doubt we have a cohort that will go out and make a positive difference in the world.





My warmest wishes, sense of pride and belief travels with them for their journeys.

Miss Campbell
Deputy Director of Sixth Form
Head of Year 13

SCHOOL TRIPS – Important information Asthma Pumps and medication

Parents/carers are reminded that students must be provided with all the medication that they may require while off site for the school trips. Medication should be clearly labelled with the student's name.

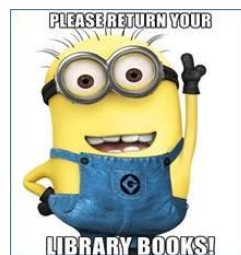
If you have reported to the school that your child has asthma, they must be carrying an asthma pump. Failure to do so may prevent your child taking part in the offsite activity. EpiPens must be collected by the students from the Student Services department the day of departure.

If your child brings home their school medication it is parent/carers/students' responsibility to return all medications to school after the trips.

If you have any queries or concerns, please call us at the Student Services department any day after 12 00pm.

Mrs O'Keefe
Student Services Manager & Attendance /
Safeguarding Lead

ALL LIBRARY BOOKS NEED TO BE RETURNED NOW!



The end of term is fast approaching, and all students need to return their library book(s).

There are a few students with overdue books, in this case if a book cannot be returned the library fine needs to be paid on ParentPay.

This fee goes towards the cost of a replacement book. Any concerns regarding library books a student should see Ms Osland in the library.

Please support your school library
A library is not a library without books!!

Ms Osland
School Librarian

Cherry Orchard Trip, Health and Social Care



Last week, the Year 12 Health and Social Care class visited Cherry Orchard care home to carry out creative activities with the residents as part of their coursework unit.

Both the students and the residents had a fantastic time and developed very close bonds.

They carried out activities such as bingo, sing-alongs and colouring in. We also got to meet Coco the chicken who was very friendly!

The staff at the care home said that the students were fantastic and have requested that we return again soon.

Miss Scrimshaw
Teacher of Psychology & Social Studies

Year 12 Jungle Creations Mentor update

Seven Year 12 students are four weeks into their ten week mentorship with Jungle Creations.

The initial meeting at the head offices in London really was just an insight into the amazing mentoring programme that has been set up between Peer 2 Peer and Jungle Creations. All the students have been enthusing about how well they are getting on with their individual mentors and the things they are learning and confidence they are gaining. We have already had students preparing footage, being on shoots and being taken out for lunch!

Below are comments from two of our students:

“Not even halfway through the programme yet it is already extremely beneficial - my mentor has taught me so much about brand building, such as pitching, and the strategy plan used when doing so. I'm lucky to have been paired with someone so diligent, and I feel that I'm learning so much in such a short time. I'm also grateful for how flexible the programme is - something important to me as a student, especially with exams coming.” *Almas*

“The programme has been great so far. My highlight was meeting with a graphic designer, he gave me useful advice on how to build my career. I've been taken behind the scenes of some filming sites which was great too.” *Amidat*

The students are putting everything into their part of this programme but so are the mentors, for which I am really grateful as they are giving so much on top of their busy schedules.

More updates to come before the end of summer term.

Miss Campbell
Deputy Director of Sixth Form
Head of Year 13

JRCS Borough Athletics success

On Wednesday 21st June and Thursday 22nd June the Year 7, 8, 9 & 10 athletics team represented JRCS at this year's borough competition.

All students trained extremely hard at lunchtimes and after school and went into the competition with lots of confidence. A special

mention to the Year 7 squad as this was their first time competing in a big event.

The JRCS students should be very proud of their achievements on the day. There will be further athletics competitions this term so please keep training hard.

Special mention for the following students for coming in the top 3 for their event:

Intisar Year 9- 100M borough champion
Fatomata Year 10 - High jump
Anacleto Year 9 - 1500m
Rebeca Year 10- Javelin
Tyrell Year 10 - Triple Jump and 300m
Lyndon Year 7- Javelin
Eva Year 8 - High jump
Lilany Year 9- 200m
Kornelija -Year 7- Javelin
Sienna Year 9 - High Jump
Imran Year 9 - Long Jump

Overall our combined scored meant that JRCS finished overall 5th out of twelve schools in the borough.





A special mention to the Year 10 girls who managed to place 2nd out of twelve schools for all their events. Well done to all the students selected to represent the JRCS athletics team and congratulations to Inizar (Year 8) who will go on to represent Barking and Dagenham schools at the Essex Schools Championships next month.

Miss Pridie
Second in PE

Year 9 Bronze Expedition success!



On 20th and 21st June seven students from Year 9 who have been completing their Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award within the curriculum took part in their qualifying expedition.

Following a shopping expedition to buy provisions for the menu that they had planned, the students headed out for Epping Forest and a three hour long trek to their campsite in High Beech. The two groups had an aim for their expeditions; Alif, JJ, Lily and Nalini's aim was to make badges for other members of the group, and Daniel, Rafael and Charlie were aiming to discover more about the myths and legends surrounding Epping Forest.

The weather was hot and humid and so everyone was relieved to arrive at the shady campsite in the forest and cool off. They then set about putting up tents and also going into the forest to collect wood for a campfire. Dinners were then prepared which included pasta, chicken curry, and cake and chocolate custard.

After dinner all the students had a go at trying to light a campfire without using matches, they very nearly achieved this. However, due to the earlier rain, the wood was far too damp, and the flames shouldered and went out. We were going to roast marshmallows and make chocolate bananas on the fire; however Miss Hall saved the day with the idea of a chocolate fondue, which everyone found delicious.

After a good night's sleep and breakfast, the group continued on their way towards their finish point at Queen Elizabeth's Hunting Lodge. At one point, whilst trying to visit Loughton Camp, which legend tells was the hideout of the notorious highwayman Dick Turpin, they encountered horses and people in medieval dress filming a comic historical drama – very exciting.

At Queen Elizabeth's Hunting Lodge, they learned about the 500 year history of the building. The frame having been completed by Henry VIII and the walls later infilled by his daughter Elizabeth I. Elizabeth is even said to have ridden her pony up the stairs!

It was a real privilege to accompany such enthusiastic students and see them achieve the completion of their expedition. Many thanks also go to the accompanying staff who helped out enormously and gave huge encouragement to the students: Miss Lea, Mr Hill and Miss Hall.





Ms Montague
DofE Manger

Jack Petchey June Award Winners



A massive congratulations is in order to our brilliant June Jack Petchey winners!

These students have been commended for their excellent achievements within school with a Jack

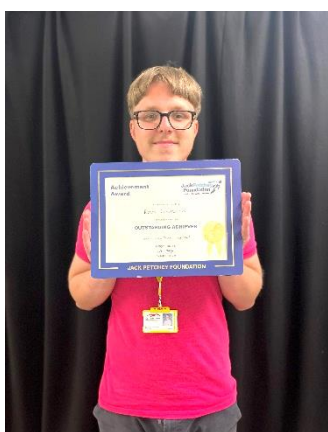
Petchey award and have been awarded £300 to distribute to an area of the school of their choice.

The students will be invited to attend a celebration event with the Jack Petchey Foundation where they will be formally awarded. These students are so deserving of this award and should be very proud of themselves!

Beau Year 7
Maatchi Year 8
Elois Year 9
Lacie Year 10
Jennifer Year 11
Zubin Year 11
Hany Year 12
Deivis Year 13



Miss Hallas
Student Aspirations Coordinator



Year 10 Mock & Year 12 VIMA Exam Timetable June/July 2023

These are internal exams and students will be required to attend normal lessons when not in an exam. 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 or watches 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.

Date	Time	Year	Exam
Monday 3rd July	9am	12	Art Practical
	9am	10 10	Business Business (BTEC)
	11.30am	10	History (Superpower relations & the Cold War)
	2pm	10	Construction
Tuesday 4th July	9am	10	Religious Studies



Dear Parent/Carer,

Re: Sports Day 2023

Your child will be participating in the annual school sports day on Friday 14th July 2023 at the Jim Peters Athletics Stadium, Mayesbrook Park.

Students must be punctual and registration will take place at 9.30am at Mayesbrook Athletics Arena. They will need to make their own way there and arrive in full PE Kit ready to compete. Any students without kit will need to borrow kit on the day and will receive a detention. The event will finish at approximately 2pm where students will be dismissed from Mayesbrook Arena to make their own way home.

Your child will need to:

- Arrive in full PE Kit with sports trainers
- Bring warm clothes (waterproofs for cold, damp weather)
- Sun cream and a hat
- Packed lunch
- Drinks (plenty of water)

Any students who require a free school meal on the day must inform a member of the PE department by Friday 7th July to ensure a lunch is provided. There will be no catering facilities available so students will not need any cash.

A First Aid qualified practitioner will be present in the sports pavilion to administer any medical treatment that is deemed necessary in an emergency.

This is a whole school, compulsory event and any unauthorised absence will be treated as per the normal school procedures. Students will be expected to observe our usual high standards of courtesy and respect at the event and staff will be supervising the pupils in the spectator's area throughout the day.

I hope this letter provides all the information you require and please contact the PE department if you have any further enquiries.

Kind regards

Mr Howard
Head of PE


Weekly Outline of Out of School Hours Learning Activities - Summer 2023				
Club	Year Group	Staff	Time	Venue
Monday				
Orchestra	7, 8, 9,10 & 11	Mr Jenner	8:15am - 8:50 am	MU1
KS3 Badminton/Table Tennis	7,8,9	Mr Watts	12:30pm – 1:00pm	Sports Hall
KS4 Badminton/Table Tennis	10,11	Miss Pridie	1:30pm – 2:00pm	Sports Hall
SDD Homework Club	7, 8 & 9	SDD staff	12:30 - 1:00pm	SDD
SDD Homework Club	10 & 11	SDD staff	1:30pm - 2:00pm	SDD
Year 9 Dance Club	9	Mr Hazelwood	1:30pm - 2:00pm	DA1
Year 9 Football	9	Mr Cully	3:15 – 4:15pm	Astro
Tuesday				
Year 9 Football	Year 9	Mr Bashir	7:45am - 8:30am	Astro
KS3 Basketball	7, 8 & 9	Mr Thomas/Mr Watts	7:44am - 8:15am	Sports Hall
Vocal Group	7, 8, 9, 10 & 11	Miss Harris	8:15am - 8:55 am	MU1
NEW KS3 Drama Club	7,8,& 9	Ms Willis	10:00 – 10:30pm	DR2
SDD Homework Club	7, 8 & 9	SDD staff	12:30 - 1:00pm	SDD
SDD Homework Club	10 & 11	SDD staff	1:30 - 2:00pm	SDD
NEW – Art Club	7, 8 & 9	Ms Levene	12:30 - 1:00pm	AR3
KS3 Rounders	7,8,9	Miss Pridie	3:00pm - 4:00pm	Field
Cricket	All	Mr Howard	3:00pm – 4:00pm	Field
KS3 Rounders	7,8,9	Miss Pridie	3:00pm – 4:00pm	Field
Year 7 Rugby	7	Mr Kersey	3:15pm - 4:15pm	Field
Bronze DofE Expedition	Year 10 invited	Ms Montague	3:05pm - 4:35pm	SD3 starts 24/1
Food Club	KS3	Ms Damian/ Ms Hinds	3:05pm - 4:05 pm	FC1
Spanish Club (Week 2 only)	9	Miss Fernandez	3:05 – 4:00pm	MFL3
Wednesday				
Year 9 Football	Year 9	Mr Bashir/Mr Cully	7:45am - 8:30am	Astro
Fitness Club	All (Girls Only)	Miss Pridie	7:45am – 8:15am	Fitness Suite
Year 10 Band	10	Mr Jenner	8:15am - 8:50am	MU1
Volleyball	All	Miss Pridie	7:45am - 8:15am	Sports Hall
Indoor Cricket	All	Mr Howard	1:30pm - 2:00pm	Sports Hall
Year 7 Dance Club	7	Miss England	1:30pm - 2:00pm	DA1
Pride and Allies	All	Ms Brookman and Ms Belloni	1:30pm - 2:00pm	RS1
Year 9 Football	9	Mr Bashir	2:00 – 3:00pm	Astro
Basketball Training	KS4	RDF Coaches	3:15pm – 4:15pm	Sports Hall
Thursday				
Year 9 Football	Year 9	Mr Bashir	7:45am - 8:30am	Astro
Fitness Club	All	Mr Thomas	7:45am – 8:15am	Fitness Suite
Wind Band	7,8, 9, 10 & 11	L Ellis	8:15am - 8:55am	MU2
Panathlon Club	7, 8 & 9 invited	Ms Montague	10:00am - 10:30am	Sports Hall
Junior maths challenge club	7 & 8	Ms Aragroug and Ms Moody	12:30 - 1:00pm	MA4
KS3 Volleyball	7,8,9	Miss Jones	12:30pm – 1:00pm	Sports Hall
SDD Homework Club	7, 8 & 9	SDD staff	12:30 - 1:00pm	SDD
SDD Homework Club	10 & 11	SDD staff	1:30 - 2:00pm	SDD
GCSE Dance Technique	10	Miss England	1:30pm - 2:00pm	DA1
Year 13 Debate Club	13	M Ribbons and F Jabbar	1:30pm - 2:00pm	SF2
KS3 Dance Company	Audition 7,8 & 9	Miss England	3:00pm - 4:30pm	DA1
Athletics	All	All PE Staff	3:05pm – 4:30pm	Field
Year 8 Rugby	8	Mr Kersey	3:15pm - 4:15pm	Field
Spanish Club (Week 1 only)	All	Miss Fernandez and Ms Damian	3:15pm - 4:15pm	MFL3
Electronics Club	KS3	Ms McKenzie	3:05pm - 4:05 pm	DT3
Computing Intervention	10 & 11	Mr Cambell	3:05pm - 4:05 pm	IT1
Textiles Club	7, 8 & 9	Miss Mir	3:05pm - 4:05 pm	DT4
Wellbeing Club	All	Ms Draisey	3:00 – 4:00pm	Conference rm (library)
NEW – Photography Club	9 & 10	Ms Franz	3:10 – 4:15pm	AR2
Friday				
Music Theory Club	10 & 11	Mr Jenner	8:15am - 8:55am	MU1
Year 8 Dance Club	8	Miss England	10:00am -10.30am	DA1
KS3 Maths puzzle club	7,8 & 9	Ms Morozova and Ms Malik	12:30 - 1:00pm	Maths atrium
KS3 Girls Football	7,8,9	Miss Pridie	1:30pm – 2:00pm	Sports Hall
SDD Homework Club	7, 8 & 9	SDD staff	12:30 - 1:00pm	SDD
SDD Homework Club	10 & 11	SDD staff	1:30pm - 2:00pm	SDD
Year 11 Football	11	Mr Cully/Mr Bashir	3:15pm - 4:15pm	Astro
GCSE Intervention	11	Miss England	3.00pm - 4.30pm	DA1
Silver DofE	10	Ms Montague	3:00 – 4:00pm	SD3
NEW - Computing Intervention	10&11	Mr Cambell and Miss Hibbert	3:10 – 4pm	IT1
Basketball Training	KS3	RDF Coaches	3:15pm – 4:15pm	Sports Hall



**Has your child missed
any of their school aged
immunisations?**

**Vaccination UK are
holding catch up
clinics here**

***Please call to make
an appointment***



Barking & Dagenham
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www.schoolvaccination.uk

NHS
England



HEALTHY HAMMERS

Venue: Jo Richardson Community College,
Castle Green, Gale Street, Dagenham RM9 4UN
Dates: 24th July – 17th August **Times:** 9am-1pm
Ages: 12-16 years

How to find us



Activity statement

The West Ham United Foundation is thrilled to present the Holiday Activity and Food (HAF) programme this summer! We are offering free spaces to families who are eligible, with the aim of encouraging children and young adults to be active and eat healthy over the school holidays. We are also here to support parents and guardians, both by providing time for them to work or juggle other responsibilities, and also by working closely with the local council to help families access guidance and advice.

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