

End of Year Letter – July 2025

Dear Students, Parents and Carers,

As we come to the end of another academic year, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your continued support and partnership. It has been a year filled with hard work, growth, and many proud moments across our school community. We are incredibly proud of our students' achievements and the resilience they have shown throughout the year.

It has been a busy end of year with three ACHIEVE day trips and a sports day. I hope students have enjoyed these days and are looking forward to our final ACHIEVE day on Thursday. Please note students should be **in school uniform for the trips on Thursday**. Can you please also ensure students are not wearing jewellery to school and that you check the brochure for details of your child's trip.

Arrangements for the last day of term

The last day of term, Friday 18th July, will be a **non-school uniform day**. Students are asked to bring a £1.00 donation for charity if they wish to be in non-school uniform. We ask that students dress appropriately for school. Strictly no pyjamas or nightwear, shorts and skirts should be of an appropriate length, no hot pants or crop tops or offensive or political slogans on T-shirts. Students should not wear jewellery.

Students will be in lessons until 11.30am. We will be serving food at break time and students can use their free school meal allocation at this time. Students will then have an extended tutor period and be dismissed from school a year group at a time between 11.40am and 12.00pm.

Looking Ahead to September

Return dates for September

- **Monday 1st September:** Staff INSET Day (school closed to students)
- **Tuesday 2nd September:** Year 7 only: 8.30am to 3.00pm
- **Wednesday 3rd September:**
 - Year 7: 8.30am to 1.30pm (break service 11.00am to 11.30am, lunch service 1.30pm to 2.00pm)
 - Year 8: 8.30am to 10.30am (food service 10.30am to 11.00am)
 - Year 9: 8.30am to 10.25am (food service 10.30am to 11.00am)
 - Year 10: 11.30am to 1.00pm (food service 1.00pm to 1.30pm)
 - Year 11: 11.30am to 1.00pm (food service 1.00pm to 1.30pm)
 - Year 13: 10.30am to 11.30am
- **Thursday 4th September:** 8.30am to 3.05pm - normal school day, school photographs Year 7 and Year 10
- **Friday 5th September:** Normal teaching Years 7 to 11
Year 12: 8.30am to 10.30am

As we prepare for the new academic year, please take note of the following important reminders and updates:

Uniform Expectations

We are committed to maintaining high standards, and this includes our school uniform. Please ensure that your child returns in full school uniform in September. Please remember that jewellery is not permitted at JRCS so if students have piercings they will be asked to remove them. Therefore, if your child is planning on getting a piercing over the summer, then this should be done at the start of the holidays so it has time to heal for September, and any jewellery can be removed.

Full details of our uniform policy can be found on the school website. If you require support with uniform over the summer, please contact the School Office before the end of term.

Mobile Phone Policy

From September 2025, mobile phones will be banned in school and Castle Green reception. Any phones seen or heard during the day will be confiscated for 24 hours and will need to be collected by a parent or carer. If a student brings a phone into school a second time it may be confiscated for 5 days. Please support us by ensuring that students do not bring mobile phones into school.

This borough-wide policy is being introduced to support learning, reduce distractions, and promote positive social interaction.

Punctuality

Please ensure your child is punctual and ready to start the new term positively. The gates will close at **8.30am from Thursday 4th September**. Please support us ensuring students arrive on time for school. Any student arriving after 8.30am will receive a late mark.

On behalf of all the staff at JRCS, I wish you and your families a restful and enjoyable summer break. We look forward to welcoming everyone back in September, refreshed and ready for another successful year.

Warm regards
L Keane
Headteacher