# WEEKLY BULLETIN

#### FRIDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER 2021



Dear Parents/Guardians.

Good afternoon,

This week has been another great week in school. We hosted our first Parents' Evening of the year, for Year 11. It is so important for our Year 11 students to feel confident and well-informed going into this year, therefore this Parents' Evening is the first of a series of events we have planned to help support parents/guardians and Year 11 students with exam support, anxiety, careers advice and much more.

Please do join us for our next evening, 'Year 11 Support Success Evening' taking place in school on Wednesday 28th October, 5.30pm - 6.30pm. During this evening, you will receive face-to-face support and have the opportunity to meet with teachers and staff. Further guidance will be issued, to help you as parents/guardians prepare and support your child through their examinations, including key exam information, revision techniques, resource guides and much more.

It's set to be another busy week next week! We have planned some key events for all students in school based around explaining our zero-tolerance approach to sexual abuse and harassment. It is so important that young people grow up learning how to be respectful towards themselves and to others, and this includes how they treat each other and speak about one another. There has been a lot in the press over the last year under the titles "Everyone's invited" and "Me too" which are both national campaigns that focus on how people are treated and cover the sensitive areas of sexual abuse and harassment. As a school, it matters to us that our young people know how to conduct themselves but also how to report a concern, and therefore we will be delivering assemblies on this topic, as well as giving further training to staff over the course of next week. Don't forget, if a student ever wants to report a concern about how they have been treated, then they can email **safeguarding@johnferneley.org**, or drop a note in to our Safeguarding letter box (Enrichment building ground floor), or talk to any member of staff.

We are also celebrating European Day of Languages next week! We have some fantastic plans in school for our students, including themed food and tutor time activities, as well as a one-off European themed daily menu for students to purchase from - our languages team have worked hard to really bring languages into all of our subject areas.

On Wednesday, as part of a 'routine training sortie' we will be welcoming Alumni 'Flight Lieutenant Clark' back to John Ferneley for the day. As well as training on site taking place by the crew, our students will have the opportunity to watch and explore a PUMA helicopter land and take off from the school field – a real highlight for the school, and a once in a lifetime experience for our students – we look forward to sharing some photos and videos with you in next week's edition.

In the meantime, have a lovely weekend and please do remember to join me in school on a Tuesday morning, from 9am, if you would like to chat through any issues or concerns; it has been great to meet and speak with a number of parents/guardians over the last couple of weeks!

Best wishes,

Natalie Teece Head of School



### **CEO Mowbray Education Trust - weekly 100 words**

It's been a tough week for some of our schools, (sadly related to Covid-19), it has been great to hear that the routines for learning are becoming truly embedded – and it is clear that this is the case. We've been back for over four weeks now and at this point, some of the older students are checking that we mean what we say. Our commitment to parents was that we would be consistent and hold the line and we certainly are.

Additionally, in the trust, some of our pupils have been exploring how to get the best out of conversations. This is helping them develop their confidence and self-esteem. Excitingly, its impact has been noted by members of the public on a school visit, where our pupils' excellent manners has been commented on.

Best wishes.

Christine Stansfield Executive Headteacher - John Ferneley College CEO - Mowbray Education Trust



gcsepod education on demand

To support our students with their Key Stage 4 studies, we have invested in GCSEPod, the award-winning digital content and revision provider used by over 1,700 schools worldwide.

Our GCSE students have access to GCSEPod's library of over 6,500 'Pods', 3-5 minute videos designed to deliver knowledge in short bursts. GCSEPod makes learning and revision much more manageable: every Pod is mapped to an exam board, and contains all the right facts, quotes, keywords, dates and annotated diagrams that your child needs for GCSE success – all neatly organised into topics and exam playlists. **Read more <u>here.</u>** 

SEPTEMBER / OCTOBER 2021

KEY UPCOMING DIARY DATES

- w/c 27th September European Celebration Week of Languages
- Thursday 30th September Year 5/6 Transition Event (Modern Foreign Languages / Food Technology)
- Monday 4th October Covid Vaccinations for 12-15 year olds (consent only)
- 1st October Black History Month
- Friday 8th October GCSE Dance Exam (Year 11)
- Friday 8th October #HelloYellow day for all students
- Friday 15th October last day of term, finish at 3pm.



## JOB VACANCIES - JOIN OUR TEAM!

We currently have the following vacancies available at John Ferneley College:

Visit our vacancies page to apply > www.johnferneley.org/vacancies

#### Learning Support Assistants

We are looking to appoint several Learning Support Assistants at John Ferneley College. This role will stay open until all positions have been filled.

### • Assistant Headteacher: Progress

We are looking to appoint a permanent full time Assistant Headteacher: Progress, with responsibility for student progress from Years 7-11. The successful applicant will have strategic overview of student progress and outcomes across the school. You will be committed to supporting students to ensure that every child makes the best possible outcomes regardless of starting point. This role is expected to either start at the earliest opportunity, or January 2022.





# Metton Campus A Level Centre!

SMB College Group is excited to be introducing a range of A Level options at the Melton Campus from September 2022. This new study option will give students the unique opportunity to combine A Level and vocational qualifications, which will serve to both strengthen and broaden their academic profile.

A Level Subjects\* English Language **English Literature** Geography Maths History **Human Biology** Chemistry **Physics** IΤ **Psychology** Sociology Criminology Sport/PE Environmental Science **Business Studies Extended Project** 

Interested? Find out more today or our website or get in touch with our friendly team!

www.brooksbymelton.ac.uk

\*Disclaimer: Subject offering is subject to change





Don't forget to try our special one-off European menu (below) all next week - being served from our traditional counters!

Please do encourage your child to try some of the magnificent food on offer. Prices are £2.40 meal deal (includes one main meal + pudding + bottle of water), or £1.90 for a main meal alone.

## European Week Lunch Menu w/c 27th September 2021

## ITALIAN MONDAY

Mediterranean Beef Lasagne Macaroni Cheese

Jacket Wedges, Garden Peas, Mixed Vegetables, Baked Beans.



## SPANISH TUESDAY

Minced Beef Tortilla served with Braised Rice Spanish Omelette Dices Potatoes, Sweetcorn, Baked Beans Garden Salad

## BRITISH WEDNESDAY

Roast of the Day served with Traditional Accompaniments
Creamy Cheese Topped Leek and Potato Layer Bake Roast Potatoes,
Baton Carrots, Savoy Cabbage, Baked Beans, Garden Salad

## **GERMAN THURSDAY**

Meatballs with tomato and herb sauce
Baked Potato Pancakes
Spicy Potatoes, Broccoli, Mixed Vegetables, Baked Beans, Garden Salad

## ENGLISH FRIDAY

Deep Fried Battered Fish served with Tartar Sauce Fresh Assorted Home-Made Panini's Chipped Potatoes, Mushy Pea, Baked Beans,



Our Year 5 and 6 Transition Events are back!

**Modern Foreign Languages & Food Tech** Thursday 30th September 2021 (3.30-5pm)

Business & Computer Science Thursday 11th November 2021

Maths Monday 15th November 2021 (4.30pm - 6pm)

Science Thursday 18th November 2021 4.30pm - 6pm)

English Wednesday 8th December 2021 (4.30pm - 6pm)

Music and Drama Tuesday 24th March 2022 (4.30pm - 6pm)

Humanities Thursday 24th March 2022 (4.30pm - 6pm)

PE Wednesday 30th March 2022 (4.30pm - 6pm)

Visit:

www.johnferneley.org/jfctransitionevents to book your child's place!





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## **SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY IS BACK!**

**RACE DATES ARE AS FOLLOWS:** 

Saturday 2nd October 2021
Saturday 30th October 2021
Saturday 27th November 2021
at Prestwold Hall

Races for Year 7, Years 8 and 9, Years 10 and 11
Please see Mr Jacobs if you are interested in running!
It would be great to have a big team out!
\*\*Transport available if needed\*\*

#TEAMJFC

Leicester City, Leicestershire and Rutland Schools Cross Country is back!

Race dates are:

- Saturday 2nd October 2021
- Saturday 30th October 2021
- Saturday 27th
   November 2021

If you're interested in running for John Ferneley, please see Mr Jacobs to sign up!



John Ferneley College will be supporting the #HelloYellow World Mental Health Day with Young Minds charity, on Friday 8th October 2021.

Staff and students are invited to wear an item of yellow to help spread awareness with their peers and colleagues, that whatever you are going through, you can talk to someone if you are struggling to cope.

Please note that this will be an awareness day not a charity event. We encourage as many students as possible to show their support and help spread awareness together.

Students may come into school on Friday 8th October wearing something yellow alongside their usual school uniform (for example, yellow socks, yellow hair tie/bows/headband, yellow badge, yellow wrist bands, yellow jumper – jumper must be worn underneath their school blazer). To note, this is not a non-school uniform day.

See a copy of the parent/guardian information letter sent home this week > <a href="https://www.johnferneley.org/attachments/download.asp?file=2348&type=pdf">https://www.johnferneley.org/attachments/download.asp?file=2348&type=pdf</a>