

WEEKLY BULLETIN

FRIDAY 29TH OCTOBER 2021

Dear Parents/Guardians,



John Ferneley College

Good afternoon and welcome to this week's bulletin.

It has been a busy start to the new term at John Ferneley and we kicked off with a welcome back to all students on Monday. It was fantastic to see so many students keen to get back into classrooms after their half term break. I have taken the opportunity to walk around school and pop into as many lessons as possible this week, and I have also been lucky enough to show a number of prospective families around on tours; it's been fantastic to see such hard working and focused learning going on. Now that students have settled back into school, our priority is to focus on helping them to retain and recall everything that is being taught. Our teaching staff are working hard to help students by using 'Do Nows' at the start of lessons and quick quizzes to help students further.

At the beginning of this year, we introduced red folders for our students to help them to be more organised and to use as a record for homework. Next week, we will be reminding students about the importance of these. We will also begin to start using them as a way to safeguard our students and we will therefore be asking students to have these with them at all times.

Last night we hosted a 'Supporting Success Evening' for our Year 11 parents/guardians and students, which was very well attended. I really enjoy these opportunities to speak face-to-face about the most important things we do in school – support students to achieve the very best they can whilst looking after their personal well-being. There are some fantastic resources that were shared on the night and if you were unable to attend, these have all been uploaded to the school website > main menu > students > Year 11 Supporting Success.

We have been working to develop our school website and over the coming weeks you will see even more information being published about individual subject areas, and supporting information for you as parents/guardians of John Ferneley.

Next week (Thursday 4th November), it is Year 8 Parents' Evening, so if you haven't yet had the chance to book your appointments, please do so as our teachers are looking forward to sharing updates about how students are getting on in school.

In the meantime, as ever, please do get in touch if you have any questions or concerns, and please do join me and Mrs Kettle (our SENDco) on a Tuesday at 9am, if you have anything specific to discuss. My door is always open.

Best wishes,
Natalie Teece
Head of School



SEND Update

To Parents/Guardians of SEND students,

Your child will soon have a designated key person in college to discuss their learning with, where every two weeks, your child will meet with their key person to reflect on their learning. This will give them an opportunity to discuss their achievements and areas for development too. This is part of our commitment to ensure that we offer provision that is both supportive and inclusive for all students. Please look out for a letter with more details.

I am also available on a Tuesday morning at 9am if you would like discuss any aspect of SEND.

Best wishes,
Melissa Kettle
SENDco



John Ferneley College Enrichment Clubs Autumn Term

| | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
|--------------|--|--|--|---------------------------------------|---|
| Tutor Time | Ukulele Club (All Years) P7 | | VOX (KS4) P7 | | VOX (KS3) P7 |
| Lunch | International Film Club (Years 7, 8 & 9) K9 | Card Games Club (Years 7 – 10) CE9 | The Language Lab (games) (All Years) K11 | Language Leaders Award (Year 9) | Friday Film Club (All Years) C1 |
| | Wellbeing Club (All Years) E4 | Wellbeing Club (All Years) E4 | Wellbeing Club (All Years) E4 | Wellbeing Club (All Years) E4 | Wellbeing Club (All Years) E4 |
| | Library Club (Year 7) Library | Library Club (Year 8) Library | Library Club (Year 9) Library | Card Games Club (Years 7 – 10) CE9 | Nintendo Switch Club {own device*} (All Years) K4 |
| | | Lego Club (All Years) K3 | Drama Club (KS3) Drama Studio | | Drama Club (KS4) Drama Studio |
| | | Silent Reading (All Years) P1 – Art Room | | | |
| After-school | Work It Weekly (All Years) The Venue | Show Rehearsal (All Years) Auditorium | | Radio Club (All Years) C5 | |
| | Health & Social Care Drop In (Year 10 & 11) K1 | Alpha Club (Year 7 & 8) CE13 | | Code Club (Year 7 – 10) E1 | |
| | D&T Club (All Years) E6 | Maths Help Club (Years 7 – 9) CE13 | | Show Rehearsal (All Years) Auditorium | |
| | Food Technology Club (Year 7 & 8) E2 | Food Technology Club (Year 9) E2 | | Meditation (All Years) Dance Studio | |
| | Enterprise Club (All Years) E3 | Book Reading Club (Year 7 & 8) Library | | | |
| | Art Club (KS4) P1 | | | | |

*DISCLAIMER – the use of personally owned devices in connection with the Nintendo Switch Club carries specific risk for which the owner has full liability.

Our new
enrichment
timetable for
Autumn 2 is now
live!

Click the link below
to view:

Enrichment
Timetable

OCTOBER - NOVEMBER 2021

KEY UPCOMING DIARY DATES



- **October 2021** - Black History Month is here!
- **Wednesday 3rd November** - Drop Down Day (Futures Enrichment Day)
- **Thursday 4th November** - Year 8 Parents' Evening, 4:00pm - 7:00pm
- **Monday 8th November to Friday 19th November** - Year 11 Mock exams
- **Tuesday 16th November** - Parent Forum Meeting
- **Wednesday 24th November** - Year 10 Support Success Evening, 5.30pm - 6.30pm (Auditorium)
- **Friday 26th November** - new date for COVID Vaccinations 12 - 15 year olds [first dose]



We are proud to be supporting The Royal British Legion's Poppy Appeal again this year. Students will have an opportunity to buy poppies and other merchandise throughout the school day.

If you would also like to donate, please follow this link >
www.justgiving.com/fundraising/johnferneleycollege

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Black History Month 2021 we are the central point of focus for a nationwide celebration of national Black History Month and Diversity and Equality throughout Britain in 2021 #blackhistorymonth #blackhistory...

Black History Month 2021

MARCUS RASHFORD

footballer, campaigner, bestselling author and a just a kid from South Manchester

If you check out his biography on Wikipedia it says... Marcus Rashford MBE is an English professional footballer who plays as a forward for Premier League club Manchester United and the England national team.

However, it really only tells half the story in his 23 years on planet earth. Marcus has achieved far more than most top athletes twice his age.

Marcus is famous worldwide for his skills both on and off the pitch.

OK we know he is a very talented footballer and plays for one of the top clubs in the world, Manchester United. However, not many 23-year-old footballers can claim being an FA Cup winner, League Cup Winner, Manchester United player of the year 2020/21 and in 2020 footballer of the year in England.

He did make a noise on the pitch for Manchester United and is contracted until 2023 on over £10million a year.

But before he was a Manchester United and England footballer, Marcus was just an average kid from Wythenshawe, South Manchester, and remembers his own hardships during his school days, having missed the school meals while growing up. Not prepared to see kids go hungry and miss their school meals, using his celebrity should be single handedly called on ministers to offer a guaranteed "meal a day" to all school kids in England in financially struggling families.

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LEWIS HAMILTON

Just a shy young kid from Stevenage, who became a World Champion seven times with 100 Grand Prix Victories.

As Sir Lewis Hamilton reached his 3,000th Formula One grand prix victory in Russia, his family well remembers that once upon a time, he was just a young black kid growing up in Stevenage, Hertfordshire.

It's hard to put Lewis Hamilton's 100 Formula One victories into context, as no-one in the 71-year history of the sport has ever reached three figures of race wins.

Between 2005 and 2020, Michael Schumacher held the record for the most career wins at 91 - a number that was 40 clear of the previous record and seemed unbreakable when Hamilton started out in F1 back in 2007.

But as it has become clear that Lewis would surpass that number over the past 12 months, the perceived limit of what is possible in a single F1 career has been redrawn.

Ignoring the statistical significance of the number of round numbers, his 100th win does not change the fact he is still in one of the highest title battles of his career.

Yet being the first F1 driver to reach triple figures still carries a significance that even Lewis, who often claims not to be interested in numbers, could not ignore.

"It's a magical moment," he said after the race.

"I want to see the sport that gave a shy, working-class black kid from Stevenage so much opportunity, become as diverse as the complex and multicultural world we live in."

LEWIS HAMILTON

These incredible facts speak for themselves.

WINS = 100
PODIUMS = 176
CAREER POINTS = 4,024.5
CHAMPIONSHIPS = 7
(2008, 2014, 2015, 2017, 2018, 2019 and 2020)

What's remarkable is he still has the enthusiasm and drive to remain at the top of Formula 1.

NOT JUST A PITROL HEAD
But perhaps what makes Lewis Hamilton even more special is he is not just a petrol head, like most of the other drivers before him, Lewis has also taken a very visible and vocal role in issues of racial equality and social justice.

It is well known that he launched a new initiative to help motorsport inspire more opportunities for young black students and eventually improve diversity in grand prix racing.

Being the first and only black driver in the championship's history he spoke last year of his desire to improve the diversity in grand prix racing and motorsport as a whole.

He has been particularly vocal against racial discrimination, throwing his support behind the Black Lives Matter movement and condemning those who have remained silent.



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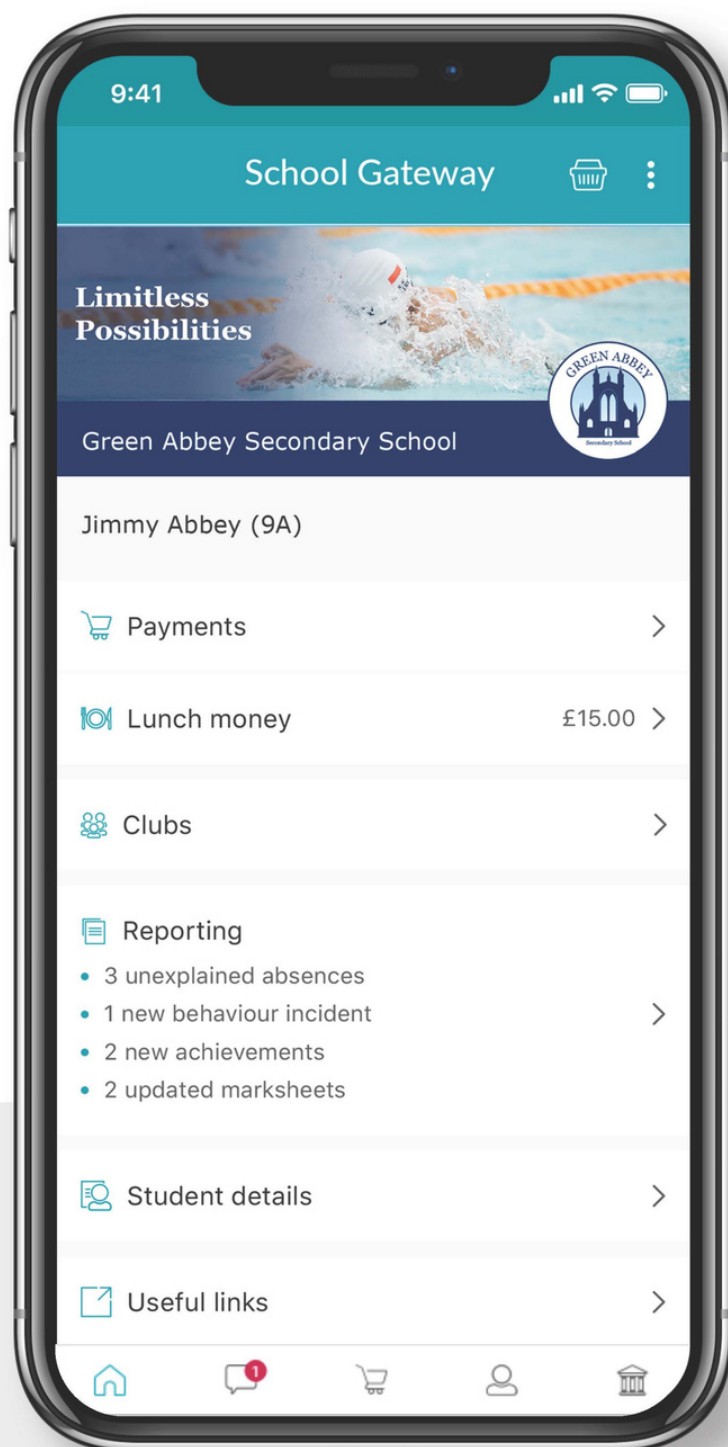
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SMB College Group is excited to be introducing a range of A Level options at the Melton Campus from September 2022. This new study option will give students the unique opportunity to combine A Level and vocational qualifications, which will serve to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

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