WEEKLY BULLETIN

FRIDAY 17TH DECEMBER 2021



John Ferneley College

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Good afternoon and a Merry Christmas to you all!

At the end of a very long term for everyone, it is lovely to be able to have enjoyed some lovely opportunities in school this week. Each of our year groups have run celebration assemblies; we have had trips to the Birmingham Christmas Market, the Pantomime, ice rink and the cinema, and this morning we took our Year 7 and 8 students to St Mary's Church for Reverend Ashby's very last Carol Service with us.

We have had some wonderful sporting successes to celebrate this week with our Year 10 Inter Girls, Rosie, Lily and Olivia, and our Year 8 and 9 Junior Girls, Lucy, Megan O, Millie, Ruby and Megan A, who are all County Champions for Leicestershire and Rutland Schools Cross Country, and also Emilia (Year 11) who is Wakesurfing UK Champion. Congratulations to them all!

I have communicated information this week about our return to school plans in January. The Government has asked us to provide one on-site LFT test for all students and has advised that we stagger the return to school to keep students as safe as possible. Please do read the information carefully and get in touch with any queries. A copy of the information letter can be found here > www.johnferneley.org/reopening4thjanuary2022

During these staggered days, work will be available for all year groups. Please ensure that your child has their Microsoft Teams password saved somewhere ready for this. Students will not be expected to wear uniform when they come for their COVID-19 test, however, we would like to take this opportunity to remind you that students are expected to adhere to our uniform expectations, a reminder can be found on our website here > www.johnferneley.org/schooluniform. Please ensure any Christmas nail art has been removed too! Thank you for your support in this matter, as the vast majority of our students look smart everyday and represent the school appropriately.

We have a number of events planned in the first week upon return to school which we have carefully reviewed in light of Government Guidance. We will communicate with you any changes or updates, and if any of our events are unable to run, we will reschedule these for a later point in the Spring term.

Have a lovely Christmas and stay safe. We look forward to welcoming you back in the New Year.

Best wishes, **Natalie Teece Head of School**











Year 9 Ice Skating & Cinema - Thursday 16th December 2021

This trip was a celebration of student's behaviour and attitude to learning throughout their first term of school. In the morning, students watched a Christmas film at the cinema before ice skating at the Nottingham Ice Arena in the afternoon.

Christmas Carol Service

We are delighted that our annual Christmas Carol Service returned this year.

Today, Years 7 and 8 visited St Mary's Church to take part in a festive celebration. The service consisted of hymns, prayers and special performances from students which was a lovely way to end the term.



JANUARY 2022

KEY UPCOMING DIARY DATES



- Tuesday 4th January 2022 Year 11 Test 1 (8.30am - 12.00pm)
- Tuesday 4th January 2022 Year 7 Test 1 (12.00pm - 3.30pm)
- Wednesday 5th January 2022 Year 10 Test 1 (8.30am - 12.00pm)
- Wednesday 5th January 2022 Year 8 Test 1 (12.00pm - 3.30pm)
- Thursday 6th January 2022 Year 9 Test 1 (8.30am - 12.00pm)
- Thursday 6th January 2022 Year 8 Meet the Tutor Evening (5.30pm 6.30pm)
- Monday 10th January 2022 All students with a negative LFT to return to school
- Wednesday 12th January 2022 Enterprise and Marketing exam
- Wednesday 12th January 2022 Year 9 Options
 & Meet the Tutor Evening (5.30pm 7.00pm)
- Tuesday 18th & Thursday 20th January 2022 Show Rehearsals (3.00pm 8.00pm)
- Thursday 27th January 2022 Year 11
 Supporting Success (5.30pm 6.30pm)



Have you signed up to the School Gateway app?

A reminder that School Gateway is the easiest way to interact with your child's life at school, including access to all behaviour information and attendance. Via the app, you can also use cashless payments to pay for lunch and trips etc. and use the messaging service to contact the school, which is free of charge.

It is important that all parents have access to the app, as this is how the majority of communication will be sent, if not sent via email. You can download the app for FREE to your phone, tablet, laptop and even your smart watch. The School Gateway app is available on Android, iOS and the web.

For more information, please visit > www.schoolgateway.com.

You can also find a helpful step-by-step Parent Guide <u>linked here</u>.

Student Travel Survey

As part of the preparation work ahead of the planned extension at John Ferneley College, we have been asked by Leicestershire County Council to provide a student travel plan. Therefore, please could you take a moment to complete the very quick survey below to let us know how your child(ren) travel to school.

Student Travel Survey

If you have more than one child attending John Ferneley College, please could you kindly complete the form twice. Thank you in advance.

Data Form

As a school, and as part of our commitment to ensure we safeguard students, it is essential that we have up to date information for all parents / guardians, therefore, please can you complete the below data form. Please ensure you provide two phone numbers and contacts for emergencies.

John Ferneley College Data Form

As a reminder, and going forward, we do ask that you update us as soon as possible whenever you change your phone number or move house. Thank you for your support.

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Are you aged 11-16?





Mary's Place Cafe will be open on:

- Wednesday 22nd December
- Wednesday 5th January



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**

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We would like to wish you a

Merry Christmas

and Happy New Year!

