

WEEKLY BULLETIN

FRIDAY 10TH JUNE 2022



Good afternoon everyone,

This week in school has been so busy. After a well-earned rest over half term, staff and students have returned to what looks like a very full half term. I'd like to thank our Head of Music, Mrs Mitcham and our Vox choir who put on a fantastic performance at the Mayor's Jubilee Concert during half term.

This week we have been undertaking our Drama Review so please do take a look at their 'Spotlight on a Subject' included in the newsletter. Drama is such an important subject to offer in school to provide breadth for our students and we are lucky enough to have a team who are passionate about their subject, also producing some fantastic shows every year.

It has been lovely to invite some of our new Year 7 students into a bespoke transition treasure hunt event which took place on Thursday to help them prepare for their move from Primary to Secondary school.

Next week we are running open mornings for prospective students and their parents/guardians, on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. There is still time to sign up for tour if you know of anyone who may be keen to come and see the school in action. You can sign up here > [Open Morning Tours Booking Form](#).

This month is Pride month, and we have lots planned in school to run alongside our usual planned Curriculum to recognise the important discussions and education around identity and support for students. On Thursday 30th June students are having a Drop Down Day during where we are welcoming back Jude to John Ferneley to meet with all students, as well as a non-uniform day to embrace this initiative. In Personal Development lessons, students have been learning about tackling Homophobia and there are some fantastic displays of their work around school.

Finally, next week we welcome an external company into school who are going to audit our Careers offer and we are looking forward to sharing what we currently have on offer as well as looking for opportunities to plan even more for our students next year.

Best wishes,

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Head of School

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John Ferneley College

OPEN EVENTS

for August 2023 starters

June Open Morning Guided Tours

9.45am - 11.00am

To book your place, please visit >
www.johnferneley.org/openevents2023

Monday 13th June 2022
Wednesday 15th June 2022
Friday 17th June 2022

SPOTLIGHT ON A SUBJECT

This week, as part of our 'Spotlight on a Subject', we have been focusing on Drama! We hope this gave you even more of an insight into what students get up to in each of their subjects.

To read our Subject Intent, and the Subject Journey, please click here > www.johnferneley.org/drama

We'd like to introduce you to our wonderful Drama department:

- Mrs Richards – Head of Department
- Miss Henshaw (Teacher of Drama)

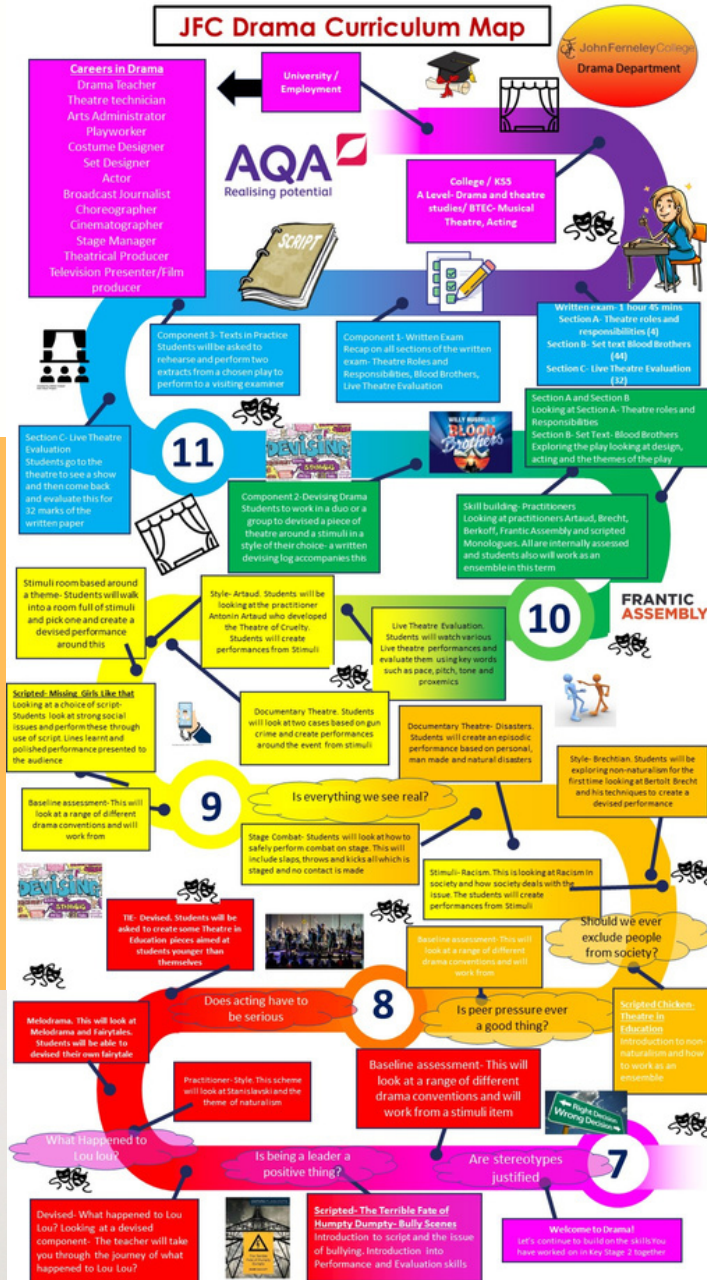
We are super proud of our Drama team, who are specialist within their area! The department are always on hand to answer any questions students may have, or to offer extra support. The team really do go above and beyond for all students!



Each year, our Drama and Performing Arts department produce some fantastic shows!

Our latest performing arts show, Encore, was a spectacular success with outstanding performances from our talented students.

Rehearsals have recently started for our next two upcoming shows: **Back to the 80s (Every Tuesday)** and our **KS3 Show**, where our new Year 7 cohort have been invited to join us to participate.



CELEBRATING

Pride Month 2022



PRIDE MONTH

June is Pride Month - a month dedicated to celebrating LGBTQ+ communities all around the world. And this year, Pride is having a special celebration as it is 50 years old!

Pride is a celebration of people coming together in love and friendship, to show how far LGBTQ+ rights have come, and how in some places there's still work to be done.

We'll be updating our weekly bulletin's and social media with new content throughout the month. You can find out further information, here > www.stonewall.org.uk/



During Personal Development lessons, students have been learning about tackling Homophobia. They have created some fantastic posters which have been displayed around school.

DROP DOWN DAY

As part of our Drop Down Day, we are welcoming back Jude, who works with the Self Esteem Team. The team have delivered talks for us over the past 4 years. Last year, Jude came to speak to our students about mental health which was really engaging, relatable and informative. They expressed an interest in returning to talk Pride and we didn't hesitate to book them in! We can't wait for the session!

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING THIS WEEK

YEAR 9 DUKE OF EDINBURGH

A huge well done to our Year 9 Duke of Edinburgh Bronze students who completed their practice expedition this weekend, enduring some pretty awful weather conditions on a very soggy Sunday!

Here are some sunnier pictures from Saturday before the downpour.

You smashed it guys, be very proud of yourselves!



3G PITCH LUNCH TIME CLUB

This half term we are welcoming coaches from Empwr Sports to John Ferneley College to trial football tournaments with our students, making use of our fabulous 3G pitch.

The intention for the new academic year is for the coaches to then launch the 'Lunchtime Tournament' for each group.

This is a great opportunity for our students and it is wonderful to see so many students taking part this week.

BESPOKE TRANSITION

Yesterday marked our first of two bespoke welcome transition events being held this month for our Year 6 students joining us this August.

Each year we host bespoke evenings to those students joining us from 'small schools' in the surrounding areas. These initial welcome meetings are extremely valuable to our new starters, especially in helping to reduce anxiety or worries about starting secondary school, and also help Year 6 students to make new peers and create new positive relationships with staff and students in their new Year Group.

We look forward to welcoming all our new starters on Monday 4th and Tuesday 5th July for their formal induction days with us.



JUNE - JULY 2022

KEY UPCOMING DIARY DATES

- **Monday 13th June** - Open Morning Tours
- **Wednesday 15th June** - Open Morning Tours
- **Friday 17th June** - Open Morning Tours
- **Tuesday 21st June** - Uniform Try On Event
- **Wednesday 22nd June - Monday 27th June** - Scholastic Half Price Book Fair
- **Thursday 23rd June** - Year 10 Supporting Success [5.30pm - 6.30pm]
- **Thursday 23rd June** - Leicestershire Music Service Concert
- **Friday 24th June** - Year 9 Warwick Castle Trip
- **Friday 24th June** - Year 5 Literacy Event
- **Friday 24th June** - Year 11 Leavers Assembly [2.00pm - 3.00pm]
- **Saturday 25th June** - 3G Pitch Opening Event
- **Monday 27th June - Wednesday 29th June** - Year 7 Residential Trip [Mount Cook]
- **Wednesday 29th June** - Year 11 Prom [6.30pm - 11.30pm]
- **Thursday 30th June** - Drop Down Day
- **Thursday 30th June** - Year 8 Drayton Manor Trip
- **Thursday 30th June** - Sports Awards Evening [7.00pm - 9.00pm]
- **Friday 1st July** - Sports Day
- **Monday 4th July** - Year 10 Alton Towers Trip
- **Monday 4th - Tuesday 5th July** - Duke of Edinburgh Expedition
- **Wednesday 6th - Thursday 7th July** - Final Duke of Edinburgh Expedition
- **Thursday 7th July** - Last day of term



STAFF REWARD

We have been continuing our staff nomination initiative to recognise the hard work of our staff and to boost positivity across the school. Staff can nominate another member of staff and it is intended to spread a bit of thanks and appreciation around.

At the end of the week, all names are added to a draw. This week's winners are **Mrs Chawda and Miss Atherton.**

YEAR 11 EXAM DATES FOR JUNE



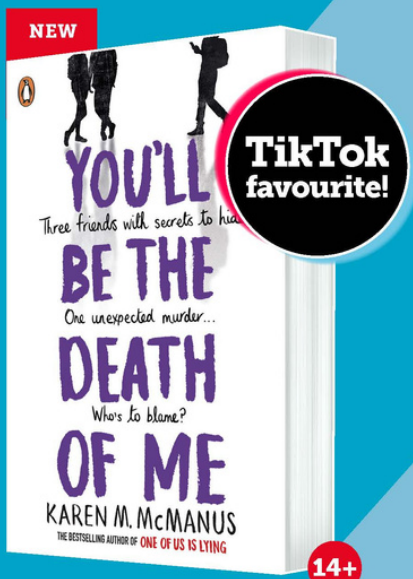
- **Monday 13th June** - Maths Exam: Paper 2
- **Monday 13th June** - Business Studies Exam
- **Tuesday 14th June** - Geography Exam
- **Tuesday 14th June** - Media Studies Exam
- **Wednesday 15th June** - Biology Exam: Paper 2
- **Wednesday 15th June** - Design Technology Exam
- **Thursday 16th June** - History Exam: Paper 2A
- **Thursday 16th June** - French Exam: Written
- **Friday 17th June** - Spanish Exam: Written
- **Monday 20th June** - Chemistry Exam: Paper 2
- **Tuesday 21st June** - Dance Exam: Written Paper
- **Wednesday 22nd June** - Music Exam
- **Thursday 23rd June** - Physics Exam: Paper 2

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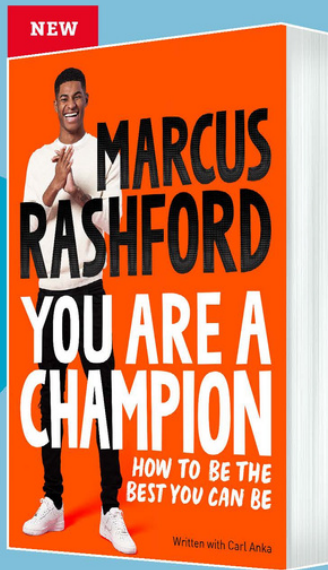
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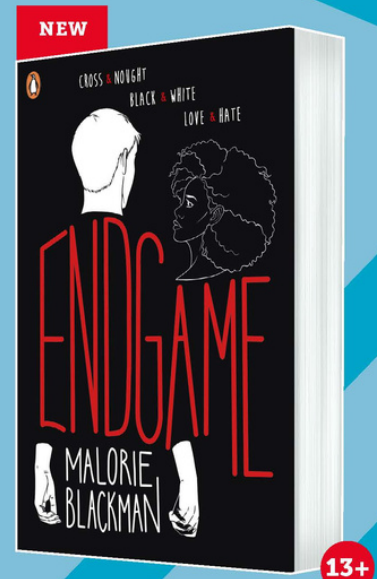
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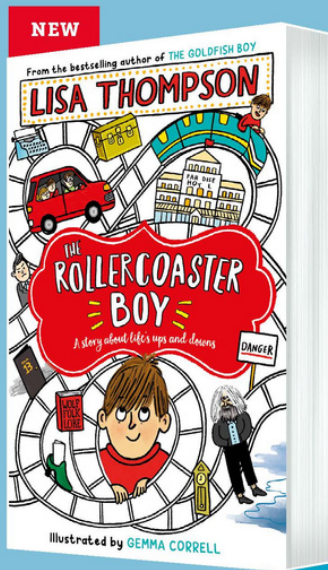
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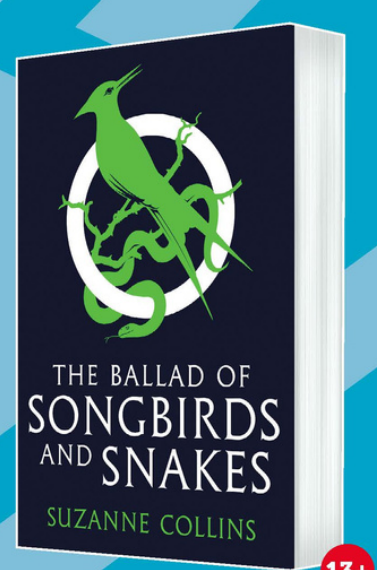
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THE BEST NEW BOOKS FROM ONLY £2.99!

22nd - 27th June 2022



Join us at our

3G PITCH OPENING EVENT

**Saturday 25th June
10.00am - 11.30am
at John Ferneley College**

- Special Guests
- Penalty Shootout
- Ceremonial Ribbon Cutting at 11.00am
- Refreshments

For more information, please email > bookings@johnferneley.org



**Free
on-site
parking**



John Ferneley College

COMMUNITY FACILITY HIRE LETTINGS

We are really proud of our state-of-the-art facilities, and would love for the community to benefit from them as well.

OPEN HOURS

Term time:

Monday – Friday:
5.30pm – 10pm

Saturday:

9am - 5pm

School Holidays:

Monday - Friday:
8am – 10pm

**Dance
Studio**

**Multi-Use
Games Area
(MUGA)**

**Large
Auditorium**

Sports Hall