

WEEKLY BULLETIN



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HEAD OF SCHOOL MESSAGE

Good afternoon to you all at the end of a very wet and windy week.

This week has been busy as usual and it's hard to believe that we are underway with Christmas plans already! You should have received a letter about Christmas lunch this week and each of our Heads of Year are currently planning enrichment trips for students. There are plenty of other exciting events on the horizon too.

In the coming weeks you will be receiving tracking information about your son/daughter to help you get a good idea of what progress they are making in their lessons as well as any areas of development. If your child is in Key Stage 3 there will also be a short video to accompany this explaining how we carry out the tracking process.

In other news, thank you to the Maths Department who took a turn at delivering another excellent Year 5 and 6 Transition Event that was really well attended. Thank you also to the Music Department who had a fantastic trip to De Montfort Hall on Tuesday to hear Philharmonia: The Music of Harry Potter - the photos looked great and are featured in this week's bulletin.

Finally, we are about to launch a really important new initiative across school with the appointment and training of 20 student Mental Health Champions and we are really keen to look for volunteers who have an interest in getting involved. More information about this will be released shortly.

Have a lovely weekend everyone.

Mrs Teece
Head of School
nteece@johnferneley.org

KEY DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

November 2022

- **Tuesday 8th November** – Madmac Money: Young Enterprise Launch
- **Thursday 10th November** – Business and Computer Science Year 5 / 6 Event [4.00pm - 5.00pm]
- **Friday 11th November** - Remembrance Day
- **Friday 18th November** - Children in Need
- **Friday 18th November** – Year 7 Disco [6.00pm - 8.00pm]
- **Wednesday 23rd November** - Year 10 Parents' Evening [4.00pm - 7.00pm]
- **Thursday 24th November** - Parent Forum [5.00pm - 6.00pm]

YEAR 9 CLASSCHART CHAMPIONS

A huge congratulations to last week's Year 9 Classchart Champions. Keep up the good work!

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| • Grace G (9SNA) | • Miya B (9LK) |
| • Brooke G (9LK) | • Oscar C (9SNA) |
| • Ryann M (9CR) | • Connie H (9TB) |
| • Darwin A (9LK) | • Toby H (9SNA) |
| • Darcy B (9TB) | • Polly P-S (9CR) |



LETTERS FROM THE WEEK

Please click on the links below to read our current letters:

- [Christmas Lunch Letter \[Thursday 8th December 2022\]](#)
- [Performing Arts - 'Back to the 80s' Information Letter](#)



 John Ferneley College

Futures Friday *Career of the Week*

Annual salary:

£20,880 - £40,128 per year.

Qualifications needed:

- Two or more GCSEs at grades 9 to 3, or equivalent, for a level 2 course.
- Four or five GCSEs at grades 9 to 4, or equivalent, for a level 3 course.

How long at College / University:

You do not need a degree to become a police officer.

REMEMBRANCE AND POPPY APPEAL 2022

Starting next week, our fantastic Student Leaders will be visiting tutors to sell poppies and other remembrance memorabilia to raise vital funds for the Royal British Legion.

In 2022 the Royal British Legion's Poppy Appeal will focus on how your poppy shows you care and helps the RBL continue its fundamental work supporting the Armed Forces community.

Below is the suggested donation for the items that we will be selling:

- Wristbands - £1
- Zip pulls and Reflectors - 50p
- Stick on poppies - 50p

We have also set up a JustGiving page where all donations will go straight to the Royal British Legion. You can donate here > [JustGiving Poppy Appeal](#)



Throughout the week, there will be tutor activities taking place and History will be having a remembrance theme 'Do Now' for lessons.

On Friday 11th November, we will be holding a two-minute silence at 11am to remember and pay our respects to our Armed Forces community, past and present.

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING THIS WEEK



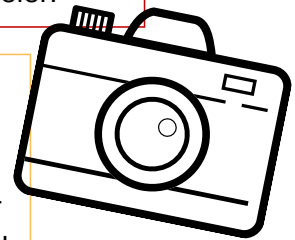
YEAR 7 DRAMA

Year 7 students have been completing some lovely ensemble work around their scripted performance of 'Chicken' by Mark Wheeler.



YEAR 11 FUTURES ASSEMBLY

On Monday, we welcomed Mr Teasel, from Harington School, to John Ferneley College to speak to our Year 11 students about Post 16 options and the opportunities at Harington school. Thank you very much Mr Teasel for the informative session.



GCSE MUSIC TRIP

On Tuesday, GCSE music students watched Philharmonia: The Music of Harry Potter at De Montfort Hall.

Students experienced the most enchanting moments from one of the most successful movie franchises, and also attended an exclusive talk with the orchestra before the concert, a very special addition to the evening.



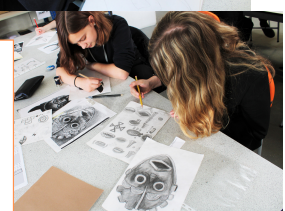
HALLOWEEN SWEET SALE

On Monday, we hosted a Halloween Sweet Sale at lunch.



YEAR 9 ART

Year 9 students have been focusing on mask drawing in their art lessons and have produced some fantastic work! Well done everyone.



YEAR 7 UPDATE

This week in the Year 7 assembly we have been going through a number of different scenarios that students might encounter during their school day and how they would problem solve these to find solutions.

A few examples of these are:

- What should I do if I leave my PE kit at home?
- What should I do if I miss the school bus?
- What should I do if someone is unkind to me on the way to or from school?
- What should I do if I witness something that makes me uncomfortable?
- What should I do if I have fallen out with my friends?

For each scenario I have talked through the school systems we would use to support them. I am hoping this will help reassure students and ensure we are all working together to support each other to have a happy and successful experience at school.

After working with the year group for four weeks now, it has been fantastic how they come to find me if they have any concerns and I feel I am really getting to know them. They have had a brilliant week this week.

We will be sending the Christmas trip invites out very shortly so please keep an eye on your school communications inbox. As this is a reward trip, we have used class charts to gather the invite data. If your child does not make it on this trip, please be reassured that there will be plenty of other opportunities throughout the year, so please encourage your child to work hard on their class chart points.

Kind regards,

Miss L Meek
Supporting Year 7



YEAR 8 UPDATE

This week in the Year 8 assembly we have focused on the use of social media and being kind. In Year 7 I sent letters to the whole year group to explain the age restrictions of social media platforms and how it is essential that we support our young people to use technology in a positive manner.

I would always encourage you to go through your child's devices to ensure you are monitoring their use and supporting them if you spot anything of concern. Whilst this feels difficult at times, regarding giving them a level of independence, it is crucial in ensuring they are safe online.

We are getting an increase in students wearing PE jumpers in the school day and leggings. We also have some general sports tops creeping into school. Please can you remind your child of our uniform expectations, your help and support to get uniform back on track will be greatly appreciated by our tutor team.

It has been lovely this week to get into some of the Year 8 lessons – I have been super impressed with the level of knowledge shown when they are answering questions and the standard of work.

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Kind regards,

Miss L Meek
Head of Year 8

SPORTS REPORTS



CROSS COUNTRY

There was a fantastic turnout for the second Prestwold Hall County Schools Cross Country event on Saturday. All runners ran amazingly well! A shout out to the Year 7 boys' team who had 5 runners competing, the most from any school, which will stand them with a very good chance of a team medal at the end of the series.

A special mention to Toby H, Ruby W and Rosie W who despite not racing, hared all the primary races, and to Millie B who joined the haring after her race.

The next event is on Saturday 26th November and, as ever, we encourage more students to get involved. If you would like to sign up to race, please email hbattisson@johnferneley.org. A reminder that Cross Country Club takes place every Monday after school - everyone welcome!

Results from Saturday below:

Year 7 Boys:
Jayden W 6th
William K 11th
Jack M 13th
Evan W 14th
Lucien O 25th

Junior Girls:
Megan O 3rd
Millie B 8th

Inter Boys:
Noah P-S 6th

Inter Girls:
Lucy D 2nd
Megan A 6th

Year 8/9 Girls Football: Jack Hunt School 0 - 7 John Ferneley

An incredible performance from the Year 8/9 girls football team on Wednesday night and a fantastic victory! A match which we dominated defensively thanks to our amazing back four and also our brilliant attacking play. The girls progress into the next round of the ESFA Schools Cup.

The amazing combination of our two strikers (Polly A and Izzy P) put us 4-0 ahead quickly, Chloe added one more before half time after an outstanding performance in midfield.

The second half was more of the same, Lily grabbed herself a goal in her first game of the season and Polly finished it off - final score 7-0.

Every player deserves 'Player of the Match' and every single member of the team represented John Ferneley College in a fantastic manner. Well done all.



Team: Annie E, Betsy A, Brooke P, Chloe S, Hallie W, Holly M, Izzy P, Lily M, Maja S, Matilda C, Megan H, Polly A



John Ferneley College

Year 7 School Disco

NOVEMBER

18

AT 6PM

TICKETS AVAILABLE NOW ON SCHOOL GATEWAY

YEAR 7 SCHOOL DISCO - FRIDAY 18TH NOVEMBER

We are delighted to announce that we are hosting a Year 7 School Disco on Friday 18th November 2022, 6.00pm – 8.00pm, in the John Ferneley College Auditorium.

The cost for a ticket is £3.00, which includes a welcome drink and a glow stick. Tickets can be purchased via your School Gateway account. Please note, the deadline to purchase a ticket is Friday 11th November at 3pm.

On the night, we will have a 'tuck shop' where students can buy refreshments and snacks. All money raised will go to our school charity, John Ferneley Community.

We very much hope that your child will be able to join us at this event.



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Sports Enrichment Programme Autumn Term 2022-2023

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Lunch Time	Years 9, 10 and 11 3G Pitch	Years 7 and 8 3G Pitch	Years 9, 10 and 11 3G Pitch 	Years 7 and 8 3G Pitch	Years 9, 10 and 11 3G Pitch
	Boys Gym (Year 10) With Mr McNaughton	Girls Gym (Year 10) With Mrs Battisson	Boys Gym (Year 11) With Mr McNaughton	Girls Gym (Year 11) With Mrs Battisson 	Gym Class (Year 9) With Mr Masters
		GCSE Dance Rehearsals (Year 11) With Miss Meek 			KS3 Dance Class Rehearsals With Miss Simpson
After-school	 Leicester Riders Basketball KS3 – Week 1 KS4 – Week 2	Table Tennis Club KS3 – Week 1 KS4 – Week 2 With Mr Baker and Miss Southam 	Girls Football (KS3) With Mrs Battisson 	Netball Club With Miss Simpson and Miss Southam	Rugby Club (KS4) With Mr Masters
	GCSE Dance Class Rehearsals (Year 11) With Miss Meek	Rugby Club KS3 – Week 1 KS4 – Week 2 With Mr Masters and Mr Plowman		GCSE & Sports Studies Catch Up With Mrs Hibbitt & Mr Baker	
	Cross Country With Mrs Battisson	Girls Gym (KS4) With Miss Clarke		Boys Gym (KS4) With Mr Masters	
	American Football (Flag Football) (KS3) Week 2  With Mr Mullarkey				