

# WEEKLY BULLETIN



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## HEAD OF SCHOOL MESSAGE

Good afternoon to you all,

It has been a slightly shorter week in school, but nevertheless, very busy. Our term is in full swing now and the calendar is really starting to fill up. To view our school calendar for the academic year, a link can be found on your School Gateway app, under 'Useful Links'. This week, our leadership team have been into lots of lessons and have been very impressed with the quality of work and the learning and climate. Talking to our student leaders we have also had some really positive feedback on how everyone has settled back into lessons. We have now had applications to our wider Ambassador roles so I look forward to introducing the new team next week who will really help to shape student voice and help us to plan and enhance our Curriculum even more.

This week we also had the first parents evening of the year with Year 11 parents and guardians having the opportunity to speak to teachers. These events are so important to help bridge the home / school gap. We hope to meet lots of you at next week's Year 7 and 8 Meet the Tutor event. Each of our Heads of Year will also be in touch over the next week with information about key events for each year group over the rest of the year to help you plan in advance.

Our clubs and activities are now also well underway so I would recommend that your son/daughter pops along to one of the lunchtime or after school sessions if they haven't yet done so as it's a great opportunity to meet new faces and get involved in school life. Up to date details are shared during tutor time and notices are added to the messages board in the main corridor.

I have really enjoyed watching the Classcharts achievement points start to add up and it has been fantastic to see students recognised during assemblies.

Our first show is taking place next week on Thursday 29th and Friday 30th September. Tickets are on sale now and can be purchased via your School Gateway account. Our first John Ferneley Community meeting is due to take place on Tuesday 27th September at 5.00pm – 6.00pm. Please do come along to this informal opportunity to help us plan more community events for this year – we really do value your help with this.

Have a lovely weekend!

**Natalie Teece**  
**Head of School**  
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# KEY DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

September and  
October 2022

- **Monday 26th September** - European Day of Languages
- **Tuesday 27th September** - Year 5 and 6 Transition Event [Design Technology]
- **Tuesday 27th September** - John Ferneley Community Welcome Meeting [5pm - 6pm]
- **Thursday 29th September** - Year 7 and 8 Meet the Tutor Evening [5pm - 6.30pm]
- **Thursday 29th and Friday 30th September** - KS3 Performing Arts Show
- **Saturday 1st October** - Open Morning [10am - 12pm]
- **Monday 3rd October** - DofE Parent Information Evening [Year 9]
- **Tuesday 4th October** - Year 7 Book Talking
- **Wednesday 5th October** - Open Evening [5pm - 7pm]
- **Thursday 6th October** - Year 5 and 6 Transition Event [Science]
- **w/c Monday 10th October** - Year 11 Mocks
- **Wednesday 12th October** - Year 8 Creative Writing Session
- **Wednesday 12th October** - Year 5 and 6 Transition Event [MFL / Food Technology]
- **Monday 17th - Friday 21st October** - Half Term
- **w/c Monday 26th October** - Year 11 Mocks
- **Thursday 27th October** - John Ferneley Community Halloween Trick or Treat

## YEAR 9 CLASSCHART CHAMPIONS

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

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| • Miya B (9LK)     | • Darwin A (9LK)  |
| • Brooke G (9LK)   | • Katie D (9TB)   |
| • Toby H (9SNA)    | • Simran M (9CR)  |
| • EllaRuby L (9TB) | • Polly P-S (9CR) |
| • Ibrahim A (9NL)  |                   |



## LETTERS FROM THE WEEK

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

- [John Ferneley College Homework Information](#)
- [Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award – Year 9 invitation](#)
- [Personal Development Curriculum Information Letter](#)




**John Ferneley College**

## Futures Friday

*Career of the Week*

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**Annual salary:**  
Approx. £22,304 per year.

**Qualifications needed:**

- Some GCSEs, usually including English and Maths, for an intermediate apprenticeship.
- 5 GCSEs at grades 9 to 4 including English and Maths, for an advanced apprenticeship.

**How long at College/University:**  
Level 2 or 3 Diploma in Hairdressing at college can take 3 years. You may be able to combine these courses with other subjects like beauty, make-up, and nails.

# YEAR 11 SUPPORTING SUCCESS TIMETABLE

Our Year 11 Supporting Success timetable is now live! Supporting Success provides students with an opportunity to:

- Consolidate their classroom learning and build further confidence
- Fill identified gaps in knowledge
- Complete and improve coursework elements of subjects
- Attend targeted sessions to support the move from one specific grade to the next

You can view the full timetable, here > [www.johnferneley.org/year11supportingsuccess](http://www.johnferneley.org/year11supportingsuccess)

## MEET THE TEACHER

Following our parent communications survey which was sent out in July, some of the feedback included a 'Meet the Teacher' profile which features a background of the person to help form a bond between parents and staff, therefore, each week we will be creating a profile of a different member of staff to help you get to know all staff a little bit more. Please see below our first 'Meet the Teacher' profile.

**Name:** Claire Gladwell

**Position:** Safeguarding Lead for the Trust

**Hobby:** I love to travel, to explore new cultures, try different foods and meet new people.

**Positive quote:** 'Be the reason someone smiles today'





# WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING THIS WEEK

## Homework club is in full swing!

We have re-launched our Homework Club for the new academic year, taking place every Monday, Tuesday and Thursday at both lunch time and afterschool.

This is a fantastic opportunity for students to complete their homework before going home, in a supervised, quiet space. Computers will be available if required.



This week we welcomed Craig, Youth Ambassador for Leicestershire Music, to John Ferneley to find out from some of our students what they like about music. As a group, we discussed each others influences and diversity within music.

Year 7 students have been focusing on coordinates and six-figure grid references during their geography lessons. Mrs Robinson, Assistant Headteacher, was very impressed with the quality of students work!



Today, we welcomed Matt Newnham to John Ferneley College to deliver a samba workshop to some of our Year 8 students. It was a lot of fun with the students fully engaged! Thank you Matt.

Some wonderful Geography work completed by Year 8 and 9 students.

Students were asked to select a country and then create a 'fact plate' full of information about their chosen country. Miss O'Hagan was extremely impressed with the work, well done everyone!





# SPORTS REPORTS

## Year 11 Football: Longfield 5-3 John Ferneley

A difficult game for the Year 11 boys after such a great start, Oliver B scoring in the first 30 seconds of the game. Unfortunately, the boys went into half time 3-1 down. After a couple of substitutions were made and change of formation the boys improved a lot in the second half. A penalty scored by Patrick P narrowed the deficit to 3-2, shortly after Longfield scored two incredible goals from distance and the game was starting to look out of site. Freddie H managed to sneak a goal back but it was too late. 5-3 to Longfield was the final score.

**Team:** Ashton L-U, Caolan D, Charlie H, Freddie H, Harry T, Joshua G, Louie K, Mario S, Noah A, Oliver B, Patrick P, Reilly D.



## Year 10 Football: Longfield 4-1 John Ferneley

The 4-1 loss to Longfield was a little flattering to the opposition with a couple of soft goals being conceded but nevertheless Longfield deserved the win.

The boys, if they were honest themselves, were probably a little overconfident and in many respects, it was typical of a first game of the season with combinations not instantly gelling and, for what I know to be a very talkative bunch of boys, they were unusually quiet on the pitch.

Switching formation in the second half did help with the defence looking structurally a little better and substitutes Dan S and Jack L making an instant impact.

Next week we take on Priory Belvoir and hopefully an improved team performance.

**Team:** Alfie H-B, Alfie S, Dan S, Dylan J, Fin B, George F, Huw H, Jack L, Jake S, Josh T, Kaeden H, Max S, Oli U, Sonny H.

# SPORTS REPORTS

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## **Year 11 Netball: Longfield 7-21 John Ferneley**

A huge congratulations to the Year 11 Netball team! On Tuesday 20th September, we played away at Longfield. They played extremely well, with the team not even conceding a goal in the first quarter. The overall score was 21–7 to John Ferneley, a great first win of the season! A special mention to Jess T and Olivia W who were relentless in defence, picking up so many interceptions. The team played so well and keep improving every time I see them play, well played girls - onto our next match!

**Team:** Macy D (C), Jess T, Lily C, Maria D, Rosie A, Shanice H, Sophia K, Zuzia W, Olivia W, Charlotte Sand Imogen W.



## **Year 10 Girls Netball: Longfield 8-22 John Ferneley**

A fantastic game for the Year 10 girls on Tuesday. The team started strongly and took the lead in the first quarter. Macy A and Megan W worked together in the goal circle during the second and third quarter to bring John Ferneley further into the lead, finishing the third quarter 8 goals ahead. A special mention to Lucy D who played out of position as GK and made several fantastic interceptions. 22-8 to John Ferneley was the final score, congratulations girls!

**Team:** Freya G, Grace P, Lucy D, Macy A, Madyson B, Megan W, Scarlet M, Victoria B.





# EUROPEAN DAY OF LANGUAGES

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The European Day of Languages is celebrated every year on **26th September**. The purpose of the European Day of Languages is to celebrate both the cultural and linguistic diversity within Europe and to encourage and promote language learning.

## Fun Facts about European Languages:

- There are more than 225 languages spoken in Europe, representing around 3% of the world's total languages.
- If you only count native speakers, Russian is the most spoken language in Europe. However, English comes out on top if you include second-language speakers.
- Languages are sometimes related to each other if they come from similar roots. These are known as 'language families'. The three main language families in Europe are Germanic, Romance and Slavic.
- Most European languages use the Latin alphabet, and some Slavic languages use the Cyrillic alphabet. Armenian, Georgian, Greek and Yiddish have their own alphabet.
- London is the most linguistically diverse city in the world, as over 250 languages are spoken there.

## What is John Ferneley College doing?

Throughout next week, we will be celebrating Languages across the school. Some of the events that will be taking place include:

- **Bake Off** - bake a cake for the 'Great European Bake Off' to be judged by Mr Smith
- **T Shirt Logo Competition** - design a logo for the EDoL and have your design made into a t-shirt
- **Themed Assemblies**
- **Guest Speakers**
- **Quizzes** available from the Library – find out how to say hello in lots of different languages.
- **Themed Menu** - food will be on sale from around the world at break and lunch

There are lots of prizes to be won! We are looking forward to a fun-filled week celebrating and raising awareness of different languages.

**Look out in next week's bulletin for the number of languages spoken at John Ferneley College - we are a community of many languages!**



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## Education Trust

# TRUST GOVERNANCE

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### Can you help?

Are you interested in the things that your child learns in school and how they are taught? Within the governance model of the Trust we have two local governing committees of people like you, parents, carers, grandparents and members of the community who look at the work happening to make your children's education successful. This local layer of scrutiny helps the Trust develop, improve and share good ideas. This improves the education received by all of the pupils in your school and across the Trust.

If you would like to join one of these panels, please send me an expression of interest giving details on who you are, why you are interested, what skills or experience in your home or work life you could offer and that you are willing to give some time to do this on a regular basis.

The panels meet six times a year and you will be invited into schools to see for yourself what you are being told is actually happening.

For any more information please contact me on [sbeasley@mowbrayeducation.org](mailto:sbeasley@mowbrayeducation.org) and I can give you further details.

Kind regards,

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