

WEEKLY BULLETIN

 John Ferneley College

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We had an amazing turn out for our Open Evening on Wednesday!

Dear Parents / Guardians,

Blimey!

What an awesome few days it has been.

Firstly: an invite to the SEND/inclusion room to see the excellent display put together to communicate our central value: Belonging.

What a team we have that works collaboratively to ensure that every child really is seen!

Secondly, it was wonderful, this week, to meet with some of our brilliant

Year 11 students and watch them settling into their bespoke study room. (I was only lucky enough to get one of these when I went to university.) Our students have access to a brilliant independent study area to support them throughout their final year at GCSE and it is clear they will love it!

Finally... Open Week. Wow. Thank you.

It has been so long since we have been able to connect with so many parents and members of the community. I have always loved these events because it forces us to pause and reflect on what is brilliant, rather than always chasing the gaps. However, this year has been the best ever. So many parents to connect with and discuss our core beliefs and values.

In a world that often seems polarised - fuelled by perceived reality that is skewed by social media – the opportunity to reconnect, face to face, is a complete thrill. I loved it!

My very grateful thanks to all who could join us – it was simply inspiring and I am humbled by our collective determination to prioritise our young people unapologetically.

What's In This Week's Issue:

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- Key Dates for Your Diary
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- Bookbuzz 2023
- NHCAW Poster Competition
- Young Person Environment Project
- Young Marine Biologist Summit
- Current Vacancies

Mrs Stansfield

Executive Headteacher – John Ferneley College

CEO - Mowbray Education Trust



KEY DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

September 2023

- **Wednesday 20th September** - Year 11 Geography Field Trip
- **Friday 22nd September, 7pm** - KS3 Showcase
- **Monday 25th September, 4:30pm - 5:30pm** - DofE Information Evening
- **Tuesday 26th September, 4pm - 5pm** - DT Year 5/6 Transition Event
- **Wednesday 27th September, 5pm - 6:30pm** - Year 7 Meet the Tutor Evening

Anti-Bullying week is in November but, here at John Ferneley College, we are committed to the message of Anti-Bullying all year round.



If you think bullying is happening, please report it to a teacher.

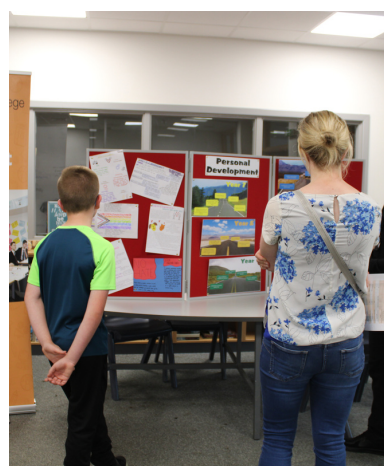
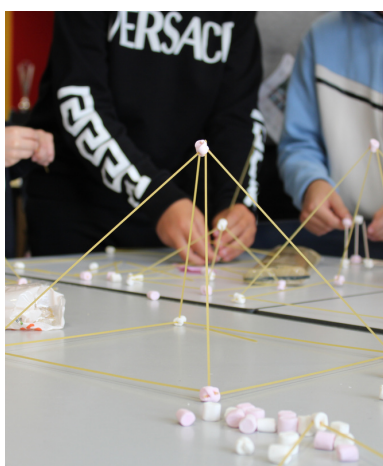
We are here to help you and make school a safe place to be.

[Read our Anti-Bullying Policy here.](#)



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OPEN EVENING





KS3



SHOW CASE

FRIDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER, 7:00PM

**PURCHASE TICKETS FOR £5 FROM MRS
RICHARDS OR MRS MITCHAM IN THE
PERFORMANCE ZONE**



Duke of Edinburgh Latest

YEAR 9S!

Are you community spirited? Do you enjoy new adventures? Are you sporty? Arty? Or just a little bit bored and looking to try something new?



If so you might be interested in doing the Duke of Edinburgh Award.

We will soon be recruiting YEAR 9s to take part in DofE Bronze, so to find out more please come along to our DofE Information Evening on Monday September 25th at 4.30pm in the Auditorium. Parents and students welcome.



Interested but can't make the meeting? Please email our DofE Coordinator on jwoolaston@johnfernely.org to get the information as soon as it becomes available.

Mrs Woolaston

SEND Officer & Duke of Edinburgh Coordinator



attendance ~~MATTERS~~



Attendance Percentage	Number of days absent	Number of weeks absent	Number of lessons missed (hours of learning)	
100%	0 days	0 weeks	0 lessons/hours	Excellent
95%	9 days	1 week 4 days	45 lessons/hours	Satisfactory
90%	19 days	3 weeks 4 days	95 lessons/hours	Poor
85%	28 days	5 weeks 3 days	140 lessons/hours	Very Poor
80%	38 days	7 weeks 3 days	190 lessons/hours	Major concern
75%	46 days	9 weeks 1 day	230 lessons/hours	Major concern
70%	57 days	11 weeks 2 days	285 lessons/hours	Major concern

Just 2 weeks holiday taken during term time will reduce your child's percentage attendance to less than 95%.

All students with falling or lower attendance will be offered support to address this and parents are urged to contact the school with any concerns or advice sought.

Attendance below 90% requires medical evidence to back up absence.

HOLIDAYS are NOT authorised and will be referred to county hall for possible fining.

Group 1 100-96%	No Concern..... Students with this attendance should achieve the best grades they can leading to better prospects in the future.
Group 2 95.9% - 90%	Note Students with this attendance are likely to achieve their target grades but lowering attendance may mean more work to catch up on and possible missed opportunities.
Group 3 89.9% and below	Risk of under achievement..... Students with this attendance find it difficult to achieve their target grades, underachieve in subjects and miss out on other opportunities such as clubs and extra-curricular activities.

Mrs Newman will be visiting Year 7 classes next week to talk about the Bookbuzz Scheme. Every Year 7 student will have the opportunity to choose a book from a selection of 15 titles!

Bookbuzz 2023



National Hate Crime Awareness Week 2023

Poster Competition

Theme:

"#WeStandTogether #NoPlaceForHate #SafePlaceForAll"

Fee:

Free

Entries:

Voluntary for students to participate and schools are free to decide how this will be run locally (as part of curriculum or for students to do in their free time).

Design:

All entries should be submitted on A4 paper only

The only requirement for entry is that the poster will focus on the theme "#WeStandTogether #NoPlaceForHate #SafePlaceForAll" students are free to consider any design, wording and formatting.

Please include your name (first name and initial of surname only), age and school in the bottom left-hand corner.

Limitations in Design:

Please do not include your own logos in your design.

Please do not include any key information within the outer 10mm (1cm) area of your design.

Copyright:

Please do not use any copyrighted or trademarked images within your poster. If you choose to photograph anyone to include in your design, please ensure they provide their consent for the images to be used on any reprinted material (or if under 18 that consent from their parents is provided) - please do not include names on your posters.

Judging Process:

- All entries are to be submitted to a designated person within the school;**
- All entries submitted by the closing date to be judged by the school and the top five (5) identified; (all entries will be collected by a member of the local policing team)**
- The Neighbourhood Policing Area (NPA) team will judge the top 5 entries from all participating schools in their area and put forward their top five (5) for consideration in the final judging stage.**
- The top five designs from all Neighbourhood Policing Areas (NPAs) will be judged by a panel consisting of members of the Local Policing Directorate (LPD).**

National Hate Crime Awareness Week 2023

Poster Competition

Winning Entries:

From all entries submitted to the final judging stage five (5) winners will be announced.

The winning posters will be reproduced and distributed as part of the Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland HCAW campaign.

The National Hate Crime Awareness Week logo and reporting information will be added to the winning posters so please do not add your own logos.

Anything included within the initial 10mm (1cm) of the design will not be included in the reproduced poster so do not include any key information within this area of your design.

Deadline:

The competition closing date will be Monday 30th October 2023 with winners announced by close of play on Friday 3rd November 2023.

Prize:

The top five winning entries will each receive a prize of £20.00.

ALL ENTRIES SHOULD BE RETAINED BY THE SCHOOL AND RETURNED TO THE NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICING AREA TEAM.

These will be collected by the Leicestershire Police Hate Crime Officer and included in a booklet even if not one of the winning entries.





Join the Cultural Youth Forum's
8 week **environmental art project**
after hours in the museum.



Young Person

Aged
11-16?

Book via
the QR
code!

Environment Project

THE PROJECT

Explore environmental issues
that matter to you and
create a group artwork for
display in the museum. Led
by **artist, Danielle Vaughan**.
No prior art skills required.

DETAILS

STARTS: Tue 19th Sep,
4-5:30pm

WHERE: Melton Carnegie
Museum.

FIND OUT MORE:

Email: Bethany.Nugent@leics.gov.uk
Call: 0116 305 1442

Young marine biologist summit driving change

Saturday 4 November 2023

Our marine environment is intricate, interconnected and vital to all life on Earth. Find out who is driving change in ocean conservation and learn how you can become part of the solution

FREE
online event

I'm really happy to join the Young Marine Biologist Summit. I learnt so much and it was so interesting as I was able to understand the explanations by the speakers.
- Gayathri, Malaysia

Expert speakers

DR EMMA
CAMP

The future of coral reefs in the face of climate change

TOM "THE
BLOWFISH"

Freaks from a Beach!

ANNA
TURN

How to be an ocean optimist



Marine
Biological
Association

#YMBsummit23

mba.ac.uk/ymbsummit23



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Full-Time

Closing Date: 24th September 2023 11:59 PM

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