

WEEKLY BULLETIN

 John Ferneley College

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Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a busy week with lots of events going on inside and outside of school.

It has been good to see some of our students adopting the new choices they now have with their uniform. We will be spending the next three weeks having conversations with students who haven't quite got it right and need some support understanding the new policy.

On Tuesday, we welcomed Martin Burder from the Art of Brilliance back into school – his workshops were attended by students and staff during the day. It was a pleasure to welcome parents to join us in the evening for the session on managing exam stress. We will continue to work with Martin and thank him for his time and encouragement of all students to continue prioritising their wellbeing.

This week Year 9 students took part in CPR training. The training equipped students with the skills needed to assist someone in cardiac arrest until professional help arrives. The hands-on sessions included demonstrations, practice on mannequins, and an overview of the critical steps to take in an emergency. Two years ago, some of our ex-students performed CPR on one of our current students and this annual event pays tribute to them.

Our music team have been out and about this week, firstly taking part in a VOX and show choir performance at De Montfort Hall on Monday and secondly visiting the Opera in Nottingham. They are also taking part in the show choir finals at De Montfort Hall on Tuesday – I wish them all the best of luck!

Red Nose Day was a resounding success at our school, with students and staff coming together to raise funds for a worthy cause. The efforts of all involved helped us raise an impressive amount of money, which will be donated to Comic Relief to support various global charitable initiatives. A big thank you to everyone who participated and helped make this event such a success. Your generosity will make a real difference in the lives of those in need.

Have a lovely weekend

Mr Claridge
Headteacher



KEY DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



April 2025

- *HPV vaccines Y8+ - Wednesday 2nd April*
- *Year 8 Parents Evening - Wednesday 9th April*
- *End of Term - Thursday 10th April 2025*
- *Inset Day - 11th April 2025 - no students on-site*
- *Term begins - Monday 28th April 2025 - all year groups back on this day*

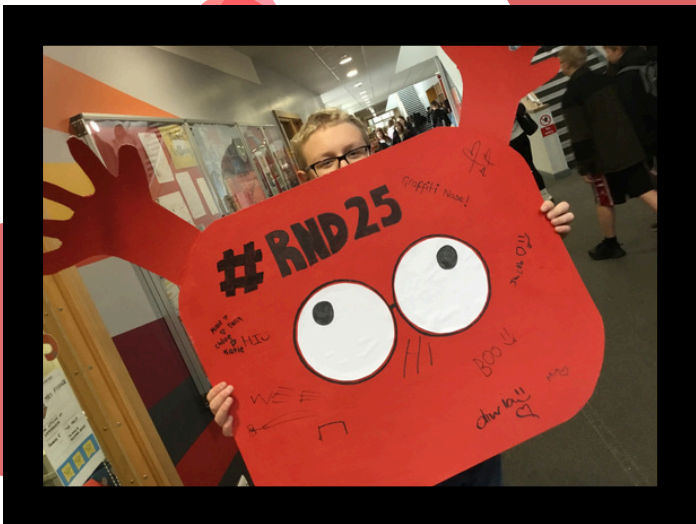
College Open Events

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FUTURES

- SMB Brooksby Campus – land based and agriculture open day – 5th April – 10am-1pm
 - Grantham college – 30th April – 5.30-7pm
- If you are interested in attending any of these please look on the college website for more information and to register attendance

COMIC RELIEF

We've had an awesome day supporting **COMIC RELIEF** - Students have worn non-uniform, we've sold cupcakes, had beat the goalie and staff have been in the stocks. Well done to all involved!



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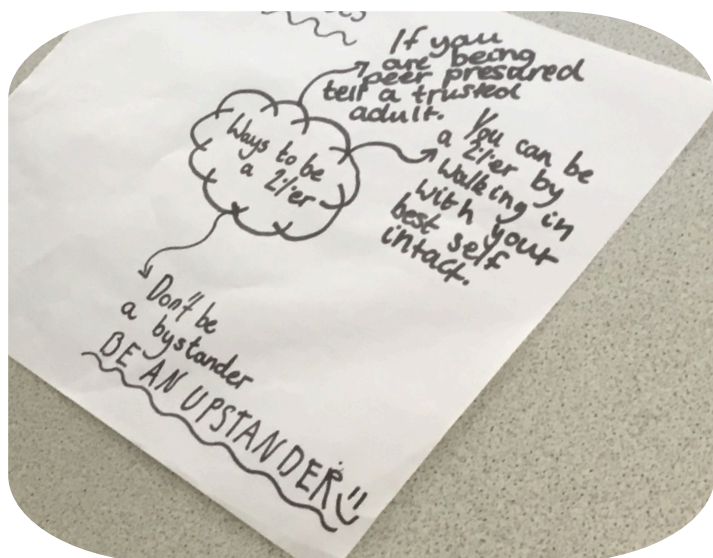


The Art of Brilliance

Martin Burder

We welcomed Martin Burder into school again this week to work on 'The art of Brilliance' project with year 8 & 10.

Both year groups are now working with some members of staff to create projects to deliver back to their peers.



SPORT NEWS

#TEAMJFC



YEAR 9&10 GIRLS FOOTBALL _____

The Year 9 & 10 Girls football team played in the last 32 of the National 9-a-side Cup today. Unfortunately, they came up against a very strong team who travelled all the way down from Manchester for the game. The match was quite even for a time but a couple of quick goals meant we were out of the competition. The final score was 4-0 - but the team should be very pleased with their performance and for making it this far, we are very proud.

MACCA

Sports Academies

'Using sport as a foundation to develop great people'

Holiday, Activities and Food programme - Continuation into 2025

Dear Parents / Guardians,

We are delighted to share the recent announcement from the Department of Education, with the commitment to extending the current Holiday, Activities and Food programme (HAF) for the remainder of 2025. We would like to ensure every child who is eligible to attend a HAF camp receives the appropriate support in redeeming, and using their free places.

What is the Holiday Activities and Food programme (HAF)

The Holiday Activities and Food programme (HAF) is a government funded programme that provides free holiday clubs for reception to year 11 students in receipt of benefits-related free school meals over the summer, Christmas and Easter holidays.

A healthy meal, snacks and drinks will be provided each day, as a part of the offer. If any additional items are required, you will be informed of this prior to booking. However, we would request children to have the appropriate clothing and footwear.

Who can apply

School aged children from reception to Year 11 in receipt of benefits related Free School Meals have priority in accessing government funded HAF clubs for free. If you are unsure whether you are eligible, please apply for [Free School Meals](#).

Inclusion and Adaptation

If your child requires additional support, please share as much detail as possible on your booking. This is to ensure we are fully equipped to support your child. We may contact you following your booking to discuss how we may best support your child prior to attendance.

Where can I redeem my fully-funded place

You can secure your booking through our website following the 'secure my child's place' button below. If you would like to find out more about the HAF offer at MACCA Sports Academies, please contact us or visit our website.

Secure my child's place 

If you have any queries regarding the HAF programme offer at MACCA Sports Academies, please contact our team at: admin@maccasportsacademies.com

Yours faithfully,

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