

# This Week

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## From the Principal:

This week Year 10 students have returned from work experience placements all over the city, and beyond. Students have had to work a normal working day, usually from 9.00 am to 5.00 pm. Their employers have been writing reports about them and it has been a pleasure to see so many students who have been rated very highly.

The qualities rated highly by employers were:

- Arriving for work on time
- Appropriate dress
- Ability to listen, learn and follow instructions
- Confidence, including answering the telephone and dealing with the public
- Ability to get on with staff.

Thank you to all employers who have provided places for work experience. Please let us know if you can provide a student with a two week work experience placement next year.

Alison Merrills

## THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

'The biggest disease today is not leprosy or tuberculosis, but rather the feeling of being unwanted.'

Mother Teresa

## COLLEGE CALENDAR

Term dates for 2013-2014 are available on the College website: [www.sjncc.leicester.sch.uk](http://www.sjncc.leicester.sch.uk)

24 May	College closes for Half Term
02 June	College Re-opens
19 June	Year 8 Parents' Evening
20 June	Year 11 Prom
23 June	Year 8 Trip to Normandy/Paris

## INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

At our Parent Forum just before the Easter break, Ms Maguire gave an informative presentation to parents about the dangers of smoking shisha. This was very well received. Last week all students in Key Stage Three were presented with information about smoking shisha in assemblies. A useful summary is provided below for parents and carers:

### 10 THINGS YOU MAY NOT KNOW ABOUT SHISHA/HOOKAH

- 1 Shisha smoking can be as **HARMFUL** as smoking cigarettes.
- 2 Fruit flavours **DISGUISE** the harmful tobacco in shisha.
- 3 Smoking shisha through bubbling water won't filter out dangerous **TOXINS**.
- 4 Shisha smoking during pregnancy can **HARM** the unborn baby.
- 5 1 hour of smoking shisha = inhaling up to **200 TIMES** the volume of smoke in 1 cigarette.
- 6 Second-hand shisha smoke poses a serious health **RISK**.
- 7 Sharing a shisha mouthpiece can spread **DISEASES**.
- 8 'Tobacco-free' shisha **ISN'T SAFE** – smokers can inhale dangerous levels of carbon monoxide.
- 9 Shisha tobacco contains highly **ADDICTIVE** nicotine.
- 10 Shisha smoking can **DAMAGE** your health.

Alison Merrills

## ATTENDANCE Who did well last week?

	Year to date	%	w/e 16/05/2014	%
Year 7	7.8	96.5	7.5	99.2
	7.4	96.4	7.4	98.4
	7.5 & 7.7	96.3	7.7	97.8
Year 8	8.8	97.0	8.8	99.3
	8.6 & 8.7	96.9	8.6	98.9
	8.3	95.5	8.2	97.2
Year 9	9.5	97.3	9.5	98.9
	9.6	96.2	9.6	96.2
	9.2 & 9.8	95.5	9.2	95.7
Year 10	10.3	97.1	10.4	97.9
	10.4	96.5	10.7	96.2
	10.1	95.5	10.3	95.8
Year 11	11.6	96.1	11.5	99.2
	11.9	95.7	11.6	97.0
	11.2	95.5	11.9	96.0
Overall College attendance		95.0		94.5

## STUDENT SAFETY

We once again remind students about the need to be aware of their safety on their journeys to and from College. They should avoid walking by themselves, particularly if taking a short cut through "the mud dumps." If anything happens on their journey which worries them, such as a member of the public speaking to them in a way which makes them feel uncomfortable, they should report it to their parents and to a member of staff giving a detailed description if possible. BE SAFE!

## NUMERACY CORNER

### Multiplication – Grid Method

This method is preferred because it is useful in algebra

**Example** 374 x 82

	300	70	4	
80	24000	5600	320	24600
				5740
2	600	140	8	<u>328</u> +
				<u>30688</u>
	24600	5740	328	

Answer 374 x 82 = 30 688

Mr Williams – CTL Mathematics



## SPOTLIGHT ON YEAR 11

The time has come to say our goodbyes and thanks.

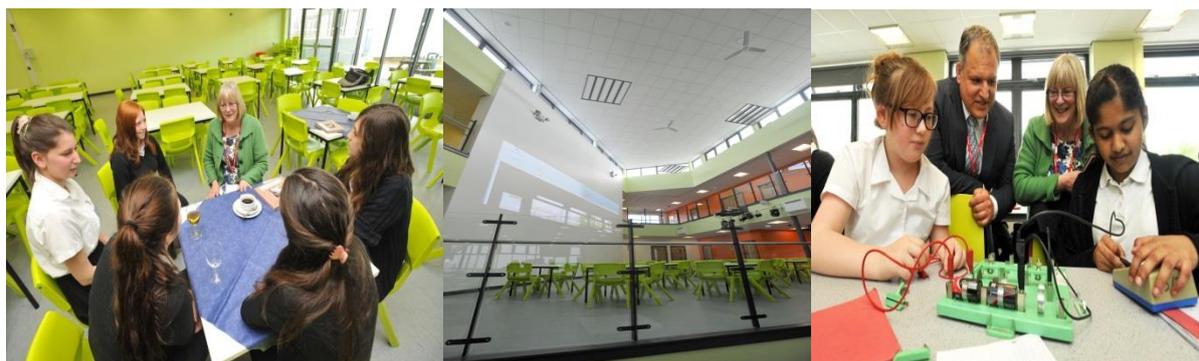
Exam Preparation Time has begun; there are no more 'get ups'! After half term, we expect to see Year 11 in College only for lessons, in which they still have exams. Make sure half term is a healthy balance of time off and revision so you are well prepared and confident.

I look forward to seeing many of you at the Prom on 20 June. The doors to the Prom open at 7pm and the College gates will be locked at 8pm, after which time you will not be able to gain entrance, so be on time! I am sure it will be a great evening.

All that remains to be said is that it has been a great pleasure to be your Year Team Leader – I hope you will look back on your days at Sir Jonathan North with fond memories and I wish you all well in whatever you choose to do in the future.

Mrs Wyatt, Senior Assistant Principal

## THE OPENING OF THE NEW LATIMER BUILDING



The informal opening of the new Latimer building was on Thursday 15 May. The Student Council Executives from Year 10 and the four of us from Year 9 had to present a speech to Councillor Vi Dempster and other guests about what we thought of the new block and how it has made a difference to school life. It was a great morning and everyone really enjoyed exploring the new building and talking about future events it would hold. We hope everyone is as excited as we are about the new block and the many years that we have to enjoy it.

**Evelyn Forey 9.7, Kaya Heaton 9.6, Molly Cleere 9.7  
and Grace Wilson 9.7**

## THE BIG DIG 2



On Friday 17 May, our keyword class worked, as a team, to find out what was buried underground on the site of the old school gym.

The school was opened in 1937, which we calculated was 77 years ago. Using a metal detector, kindly loaned to us by Dr Thompson, we met with the building team to begin our archaeological investigations.

Before being allowed to start our archaeological dig we were given protective clothing – as part of the health and safety regulations. We wore pink high visibility vests, white helmets and steel toe capped boots.

We were taken to the dig site and Jodie Slatcher, in Year 7, explained how a metal detector worked. We then took it in turns to use the device. Our first find was a metal coin which we later found out was from India, dated 1958. Additional finds included many coins ranging in date from 1916 - 1963.

In our next lesson, we examined the coins and completed a detailed analysis of our findings. We were encouraged to consider the story behind who may have dropped the coins and, using a timeline, began to imagine what historical events they may have lived through.

We would like to thank the Miller Construction team, Dr Thompson, Miss Maguire and Nurmein Ali, a Year 10 student, who supported us during our lesson as part of her work experience allocation.

**Year 7 students :  
Jodie Slatcher, Suraiya Patel, Nikola Cichala**

## Year 11 GCSE Examination Timetable Summer 2014

	Title	Duration	Date	Day/Time
OCR	Business Studies	1h 30m	02-Jun-14	Monday am
OCR	Music	1h 30m	02-Jun-14	Monday am
OCR	Dutch writing	1h	02-Jun-14	Monday am
OCR	Gujarati writing	1h	02-Jun-14	Monday am
OCR	Portuguese writing	1h	02-Jun-14	Monday am
OCR	Turkish listening	1h	02-Jun-14	Monday am
Edexcel	History Unit 3	1h 15m	02-Jun-14	Monday pm
WJEC	English Reading	1h	03-Jun-14	Tuesday am
WJEC	English Writing	1h	03-Jun-14	Tuesday am
AQA	Food Technology	2h	03-Jun-14	Tuesday pm
Edexcel	Urdu Listening	35m	05-Jun-14	Thursday am
Edexcel	Urdu Reading	50m	05-Jun-14	Thursday am
AQA	Child Development	1h 30m	05-Jun-14	Thursday pm
AQA	Biology 1	1h	06-Jun-14	Friday pm

Students taking GCSE exams should go to the exam room promptly at 8.45 a.m. for morning exams and at 1.45 p.m. for afternoon exams

**STUDY SUPPORT AND IMPORTANT DATES FOR YEAR 11**  
**Week Beginning 02 June 2014**

DATES	02/06/2014	03/06/2014	04/06/2014	05/06/2014	06/06/2014
SUBJECT	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>LUNCH</b>					
DESIGN TECHNOLOGY			Study Support Textiles in D10 Food in D1 Graphic Products in D2		
GEOGRAPHY				Study Support in Mobile 6 Population pyramids and dependency ratios Miss White Study Support in M4 Coastal Features Ms Knowles	
HISTORY				History Study Support 1.10pm to 1.40pm Unit 2A	
LEISURE & TOURISM / BUSINESS STUDIES				Leisure & Tourism / Business Studies Study Support	
MATHS					Higher Tier (Mr Sube) For students who have completed their ICT only
MODERN FOREIGN LANGUAGES		Languages revision sessions / Preparation for assessments			
RS				RS Study Support in M2	
SCIENCE	11.8 – Dr Thompson	Biology revision in L12 Ms Carrington	Chemistry revision with Ms Miah Yr 10 Study Buddies with Ms Carrington	Physics revision with Mrs Ball Yr 10 Study Buddies	Chemistry higher / foundation with Ms Carrington
SOCIOLOGY				Sociology Study Support in M1	
<b>AFTER SCHOOL</b>					
DANCE				Target Students aim to improve grades with Ms Matthew and Mrs Glynn	
DESIGN TECHNOLOGY			Coursework Ninjas in D2		
ENGLISH			Informal letter writing in M9 with Miss Scott-Simons		
MATHS		Higher Tier (Mr Cooling) Higher Tier (Mrs Ram)			
		Aim for a B grade (targeted students) Mr Williams Foundation Tier (Mr Evans)			
MUSIC				Target Students Study Support in D7 3.00pm to 4.00pm	
PE	All Years Tennis - Tennis Centre	GCSE Revision - L2	All Years Athletics	All Years Rounders	All Years Athletics
SCIENCE	Biology Higher – Ms Carrington Chemistry Foundation – Ms Variava Physics Higher – Mrs Ball Physics Foundation – Mr Taunton Chemistry Higher – Ms Miah			Physics – Mrs Ball	