

This Week

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From the Principal:

For the rest of this academic year we will be publishing regular information for parents of Year 11 students in This Week. From now until the end of the examinations, students in Year 11 should be spending at least two hours each day on homework/exam practice/revision.

We know that the involvement of parents can make a very positive difference for students in relation to the results they achieve. Regular discussion of homework and revision, and support in helping students to organise their time are all extremely valuable.

We want to work closely with parents to ensure students achieve their best. If you seek further information or have any concerns, please contact Mrs Wyatt, Assistant Principal, or a member of senior staff.

Alison Merrills



SPOTLIGHT ON YEAR 11

On Wednesday, Year 11 students received their reports containing their

predicted grades. These are the grades that will be entered on the LeCAP (the online College Application Form), which the colleges will use to help decide which students should be offered places on their courses.

These forms are being processed and all applications will be submitted to colleges by Thursday 30 January. After this date, you will be able to view these online.

On Wednesday, students also received their statement of entries which, once signed by your daughter and yourself, will confirm the exams she is entered for. It is important that these forms are signed and returned by Friday 24 January. If there are any concerns regarding exam entries, please do not hesitate to contact myself or the Exams Officer, Mrs Broughton, at the College.

Coursework improvement and revision sessions continue to be offered to students, both at lunchtime and after school (see Study Support Timetable overleaf and on the College website). All students have access to revision booklets and materials, including online resources from various curriculum teams, as well as a generic 'How to Revise' booklet and 'Get ups' calendar from their tutors.

We are in the process of preparing a timetable of additional study support sessions and materials, which will be available soon – watch this space!

Mrs Wyatt, Senior Assistant Principal

EXAMS

Any student in Year 9, 10 or 11 who is taking a GCSE or GCE examination at another college must see the Exams Officer to obtain her UCI (Unique Candidate Identifier) and ULN (Unique Learner Number). All entries for these examinations must be made using the numbers that are allocated to you by the college.

Mrs Broughton, Exams Officer

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

'I believe in the sun even when it is not shining. I believe in love even when I cannot feel it. I believe in God even when He is silent.'

Written on a wall during the Holocaust

COLLEGE CALENDAR

Term dates for 2013-2014 are available on the College website: www.sjncc.leicester.sch.uk

30 January 2014	Year 9 Parents' Evening
4 February 2014	Year 9 Science Trip
6 February 2014	Year 10 Parents' Evening
28 February 2014	What's My Line?
6 March	KS4 Information Evening

REMINDER: YEAR 9 PARENTS' EVENING

Parents of Year 9 students have the opportunity to meet their daughter's subject teachers on Thursday 30 January from 5.30pm – 7.30pm.

We would urge all parents to attend.

Ms Allison, Year 9 Team Leader

ATTENDANCE Who did well last week?

	Year to date	%	w/e 24/01/2014	%
Year 7	7.4	96.7	7.8	99.5
	7.8	96.6	7.2	98.2
	7.6	96.3	7.5 & 7.6	96.9
Year 8	8.7	97.1	8.5	99
	8.8 & 8.4	97	8.4	98.5
	8.5	96.4	8.2	98
Year 9	9.5	96.4	9.6	99.5
	9.2 & 9.3	96.1	9.3	96.4
	9.8	95.9	9.7	95.5
Year 10	10.3	97.5	10.8	99.1
	10.4	96.2	10.2	97.2
	10.1	95.8	10.6	97.1
Year 11	11.6	96.6	11.2	97.2
	11.3	95.6	11.5	95.7
	11.7	95.2	11.3	95.2
Overall College attendance		95.2		94.9

STUDENT SAFETY

We are concerned that at the start and at the end of the College day student safety may be put at risk. This is because of students being brought to College by car, and the dangerous driving on or near the College site by a small number of individuals.

The following requests to parents will help to improve student safety:

- please do not bring your car on to the college site at the start or end of the College day
- please do not park on the zig zag lines marked at the front on Knighton Lane East
- if you bring your daughter by car, please drop her off and collect her a short distance away from the main entrances.

Thank you for your support in keeping our students safe.

Alison Merrills

FORMER STUDENT BECOMES A NATIONAL CITIZEN SERVICE YOUTH LEADER

Congratulations to former student, Farina Rashid, one of 100 extraordinary young people in England to be selected as a Graduate Leader of the National Citizen Service (NCS).



As an NCS Leader, Farina will be an advocate for social action in the East Midlands and is now an NCS Ambassador for Leicestershire .

Mr Mander, Group Tutor

Q.E. COLLEGE'S ADVICE TO YEAR 11 STUDENTS

Last Friday, a group of Year 11 students had the opportunity to meet with the Principal and some teachers from Wyggeston and Queen Elizabeth I College.

They discovered useful information about Q.E.

- There are many staff who are willing to support you, such as subject supporters, subject mentors and counsellors.
- If you are not sure of your options, there is an opportunity in the first week to change a subject if you want to.
- People who drop out after the first year often find it is because the course was not right for them. So make sure you choose something you will enjoy.
- People frequently hear that students are left to get on with their work. If you ask for help, they will help you.
- QE asks everyone to take part in an extra-curricular activity, such as Origami Club or Duke of Edinburgh.
- There is also special support for anyone who has dyslexia.

What QE staff often look for at interview:

- what your form tutors say (reference)
- what kind of student you are
- your manners
- your achievements and certificates
- why you have picked the subjects you have chosen
- your Personal Profile
- spellings on your LeCAP forms!

I hope some of this is helpful to those applying for a place at QE.



WYGGESTON & QUEEN
ELIZABETH I COLLEGE

Mrs Wyatt, Senior Assistant Principal

ADULT LEARNING

Just a reminder that there are still evening courses based at Sir Jonathan North Community College.



For the latest information available, please visit the website (www.leicesterlearns.ac.uk) or call our direct number: 0116 3737244.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Leicester Adult Skills and Learning Service Team



YEAR 11 STUDY SUPPORT TIMETABLE



	Lunch 1.10 – 1.55 (45 minutes)	3.05 – 4.05 (1 hour)
Monday		Science
Tuesday	Modern Foreign Languages	Mathematics
Wednesday	Design Technology / Physical Education	English
Thursday	Humanities	Expressive Arts
Friday	Information and Communication Technology	