

This Week

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From the Principal:

It is well known that students who have good attendance at school feel happier, find it is easier to make friends, achieve more and have better prospects of employment and higher education and training. What is less well known is that for every seventeen days of school missed each year, a student will see her National Curriculum/GCSE results drop by a level/grade. This could have a lasting effect on her future prospects.

We are pleased to report that attendance and punctuality at Sir Jonathan North continue to improve. If you are concerned about your daughter's attendance please contact her Year Team Leader.

Alison Merrills

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

'We must overcome the notion that we must be regular. It robs us of the chance to be extraordinary and leads us to the mediocre.'

Uta Hagan

COLLEGE CALENDAR

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

28 February	What's My Line?
6 March	KS4 Information Evening
13 March	HPV Injections
20 March	Year 7 Conkers Trip

ATTENDANCE

Who did well last week?

	Year to date	%	w/e 07/02/2014	%
Year 7	7.4	96.5	7.5	100
	7.6	96.3	7.3	96.4
	7.8	96.2	7.9	95.9
Year 8	8.7	97.1	8.3	98.1
	8.8	96.8	8.2	97.6
	8.4	96.4	8.7	96.5
Year 9	9.5	96.5	9.5	99.2
	9.2	96.1	9.6	98.5
	9.6	96	9.2	97.1
Year 10	10.3	97.7	10.6	97.7
	10.4	96.1	10.4	97.6
	10.5	95	10.5	97.3
Year 11	11.6	96.5	11.9	99.2
	11.3	95.4	11.5	97.7
	11.2	95.1	11.6	97
Overall College attendance		95.1		94.4

STUDENT COUNCIL EXECUTIVE NEWS

On Thursday 23 January, three of the Student Council Executives (Amelia Williams 10.9, Elisa Rustemi 10.5 and Madeleine Gray-Ffrench 10.5) along with Miss Rhodes, Mr Herickx and Miss White took a tour of the new Latimer Building, which is currently being finished.

First we all had to wear our wellies, pink high-visibility jackets and put on hard hats so that we were safe when walking around the building. We began our tour by entering what will be the huge dining room, with a brand new layout and kitchen area. According to Chris Thompson, the Site Manager, the dining room will have four huge plasma TVs placed onto one of the dining room walls, where school videos and images can be played. Chris said that the two large walls that are in the central area of the building will have videos and images projected onto them.

One of the really great factors about the new building is that it is an open layout, meaning that there is a spacious feel. From the outside you have probably gathered that the building is not a usual shape. This definitely becomes clear when you go inside and see the triangular layout.



We were shown around the Maths corridor on the ground floor where the classrooms have an orange feature wall and the rest are off-white. There are two staircases that lead to the Science classrooms upstairs. These have green feature walls and the same off-white colour on the other walls. There are many windows in each classroom, which help to create an open feel and brightness. We were also told that there was going to be a brand new IT suite which will be filled with lots of computers. One of our favourite things about the new building was the toilets, where the walls were painted a lovely deep pink!

After we finished the tour, Chris invited us to return after half term when all the furnishings and finishing touches will be done. So we look forward to giving you another update on the new Latimer Building soon.

The Student Council Executive

Year 7 INCA January 2014

For two days last week, 13 Year 7 students explored the theme of Aspirations, working with a visiting photographic artist, Emily Crofton.

They created pictograms using images of themselves, objects and words that reflected their aspirations. All students worked in the dark room, developing their own work.

The students worked extremely well together and are looking forward to seeing their work on display soon.



Mrs Thornber, Team Leader Expressive Arts

SAFER INTERNET DAY

Tuesday 11 February is Safer Internet Day, which is celebrated across the globe by schools, companies and governments, all getting involved to help encourage the safe, responsible and positive use of technology.

At Sir Jonathan North, we have signed up as a supporter of safer Internet Day and all students will be involved in assemblies during the week commencing 24 February to raise awareness.

For parents, Safer Internet Day is a great time to have a conversation with their daughter about staying safe online. The website <http://www.saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/2014/info-for-parents-and-carers> has information and useful resources available for parents to use.

In addition, the creators of the 'Think You Know' website have produced a light hearted informative film for parents, to help them feel better equipped to aid their child to stay safe on line:

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/parentsguide/>

If you would like any further information, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Mrs Mason, Student Support Manager

STUDY SUPPORT AND IMPORTANT DATES FOR YEAR 11 Week Beginning 10 February 2014

DATES	10/02/2014	11/02/2014	12/02/2014	13/02/2014	14/02/2014
SUBJECT	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
LUNCH					
PE			PE Study Support in W1 1.15pm to 1.45pm		
DESIGN TECHNOLOGY			Study Support for DT: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Textiles in D10 • Food in D1 • Graphic Products in D2 		
RS				RS Study Support in M2	
SOCIOLOGY				Sociology Study Support in M1	
LEISURE & TOURISM / BUSINESS STUDIES				Leisure & Tourism / Business Studies Study Support Mobile 6	
GEOGRAPHY				Study Support in Mobile 6 River Tees Miss White Study Support in M4 Fosse Park Ms Knowles	
HISTORY			11Hi3 complete Coursework Part A in their lesson	History Focus Group	
AFTER SCHOOL					
PE		PE Study Support in W1 3.00pm to 4.00pm			
DESIGN TECHNOLOGY			Coursework Ninjas in D2		
MUSIC				Study Support in D7 3.00pm to 4.00pm	

Watch this space for further study support opportunities...