

This Week

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From the Principal:

We were very pleased to meet several hundred parents with their Year 6 daughters at Open Evening last night. Over two hundred Sir Jonathan North student volunteers were on hand to help staff to make this evening a great success. If you, or someone you know, intend to apply for a place at the College for September 2017, the date for making an online application to the Local Authority is 31 October 2016. Last year, the College was again oversubscribed. We are aware that the admissions process can be stressful for parents and children and we will be working very closely with primary schools and with parents to anticipate the problems that may arise. We aim to make the transfer a positive experience for Year 6 children that helps them to make a confident start to their secondary education.

Alison Merrills

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

Autumn is a second spring when every leaf is a flower.

Albert Camus

COLLEGE CALENDAR

19 September	KS4 Trip to Barcelona
22 September	Year 10 Transition Parents' Evening
26 September	Year 7 LOPC trip
28 September	Year 7 Space Centre Science Trip
29 September	Year 11 Transition Parents' Evening

TIP OF THE WEEK



Set your clocks forward by ten minutes. This is a great little psychological trick that many people play on themselves. The funny thing is, it really works!

STUDENT COUNCIL EXECUTIVE



We are your Student Council Executive for this year. We are really looking forward to working with you and have lots of exciting plans in store.

We are looking forward to meeting your tutor group Student Council representatives and would love to hear your views about the school through them. Don't hesitate to approach us and ask any questions. You can let us know about any ideas you may have for activities that we could plan for you. Thank you and have an awesome school year!

Anika Goddard, Dibjeet Kaur, Lucia Guzy-Kirkden and Neha Datta

STARS OF THE WEEK

With 100% attendance and no late marks last week, our Stars of the Week are:

	Year 7	Zakia Duale	7.8	
	Year 8	Aisha Popat	8.9	
	Year 9	Holly Scone	9.1	
	Year 10	Bethaney Horton	10.3	
	Year 11	Katie Cooper	11.4	

BE HERE. LEARN MORE.

Carl Hartley, Assistant Principal

WOMAN OF THE WEEK

Edith Cavell 1865 - 1915 Nurse

By 1912 she managed one nursing school, three hospitals, three private nursing homes, 24 communal schools for nurses, thirteen private kindergartens, private duty cases, a clinic and was giving four lectures a week to doctors and nurses!

Although in Norwich when war broke out, Edith returned to Belgium and worked on the frontline as she felt, 'At a time like this, I am more needed than ever'.

Edith treated ALL wounded regardless of their nationality.

When British soldiers were brought to her hospital she worked with others to smuggle them out of occupied Belgium and into neutral Holland.

In 1915 she was arrested by the German military, tried and executed.



YEAR 10 PARENTS' TRANSITION EVENING

Parents of Year 10 students have the opportunity to meet their daughter's tutor on:

Thursday 22 September from 5.30 - 7.30 pm

On Thursday 22 September at 5.30 pm, we are hosting the Year 10 Transition Evening. This is an important event which all parents/carers are invited to. The evening will provide an opportunity for you and your daughter to discuss how well she has settled in Year 10 and also to discuss any questions you may have regarding the next two academic years at Sir Jonathan North Community College.

If your daughter has not yet made an appointment with her Progress Tutor, please encourage her to do so as we greatly value positive communication regarding all our students' progress. We are all looking forward to seeing you on the evening.

Kai Sheldrake, Assistant Principal

HUMANITIES STARS OF THE WEEK

This week's Humanities Stars of the Week are:

Geography - **Holly Bamford 10.5**

History - **Gurveen Rai 8.1**

Religious Studies - **Hanifah Afinowi 7.2**

The Humanities Team



GEOGRAPHY VISIT TO ICELAND

During the final week of the Summer term, the Geography department took 37 students on a residential trip to Iceland. We had an action packed five days visiting many different locations and participating in lots of exciting activities.

The scenery of Iceland is so different to the UK and meant that we could walk through lava fields and see volcanoes. We also saw an erupting geyser and visited the Thingvellir National Park where the tectonic plates are separating and the Vikings held their parliament.

We swam in the Blue Lagoon geothermal pool which was a highlight for everyone. We also visited three large waterfalls including one we walked behind. The students walked up onto a glacier, an unforgettable experience for us all.

We were so impressed by the behaviour and positive attitude of the students throughout the visit. They were always keen to join in the activities and learn about the country they were visiting. Some even tried a local delicacy of rotten shark!

Here are some comments from the students:

'The Iceland trip was the best trip in the whole time I have been at Sir Jonathan North. We were busy all the time. One of the highlights for me was relaxing in the Blue Lagoon. All of the teachers were really fun and even put up with us when we kept them awake at night! We also watched the geyser erupt, hiked up a glacier, went to the capital city of Reykjavik and had fun on the coach.' **Olivia Bryan 10.6**

'Some of the best things we going to swim in the Blue Lagoon which was so relaxing and beautiful. Walking on a glacier was just the most amazing thing I have ever done.' **Mairead McErlean 10.5**

'Iceland was a great experience; we learnt many different and interesting things about the country and the landscape. We saw volcanoes, geysers and waterfalls. It was so much fun and I will never forget it.' **Isabel Monks 10.9**

'Iceland was amazing!!! I had the best time and seeing a geyser was awesome.

I really miss it. I'd go back in a heartbeat.' **Lily Gilbert 11.5**

'I had amazing time in Iceland. The Blue lagoon was incredible and the things we did, like walking on a glacier and seeing waterfalls, were unforgettable.'

Anika Goddard 10.1



Miss White, Humanities Team

KEY DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Year 7

Year 7 Transition Evening 6 October 2016
Year 7 Parents' Evening 11 May 2017

Year 8

Year 8 Transition Evening 17 November 2016
Year 8 Parents' Evening 15 June 2017

Year 9

Year 9 Option Evening 12 January 2017
Year 9 Parents' Evening 2 February 2017
KS4 Information Evening 22 June 2017

Year 10

Year 10 Transition Evening 22 September 2016
Year 10 Parents' Evening 2 March 2017

Year 11

Year 11 Transition Evening 29 September 2016
Year 11 Parents' Evening 19 January 2017

VACANCY

The college will be recruiting additional Exam Invigilators to join our existing team for November internal exams and summer GCSE exams. Days and hours would be flexible and negotiable. Full training will be given. The post is subject to a Disclosure and Barring Service check (DBS).

Closing date: 30 September 2016.

Job description and application form can be found on the college website. www.sjncc.leicester.sch.uk

LOST PROPERTY

If your daughter loses any of her personal property, then please tell her to come straight to the main office where we will do our best to help her find it.

If you would prefer to speak to us yourself, please call us directly on 0116 2708116.

Mrs Hewson, Office Manager