

# Head Teacher's Newsletter

## **AUTUMN TERM**

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## Mrs Frost-Briggs' message of the month!

We've had a fantastic Autumn Term at JFCS this year! As you can see from this newsletter, the students have been busy this term getting involved in charity events, Inspiration Days, the debut of a new Year 7 school trip, chef competitions, mock trials and much more! When some visitors from the Trust came to the school recently to visit lessons and speak to students, they all commented on how wonderful, articulate, polite and well-behaved the students were! We are very proud of them!

I would like to wish all the parents and carers the very best for the holidays and hope you enjoy some lovely family time together this Christmas! Thank you for all your support.

#### Year 10 D&T lessons

Year 10 have been so creative this term with their practical projects in Design & Technology lessons. Look at some of their culinary delights and their practical creations!



Well done to Lily T in Year 11 and Holly H in Year 9 who attended the Future Chef competition representing JF in the regional heat! They were challenged to make a main meal for two for under £5 and should be very proud of themselves!

The Maths team were keen to award their Maths Stars of the half-term in November to some very worthy mathematicians for their hard work! Well done Alex S in Year 7, George R in Year 8, Satya PZ in Year 9, Abigail M in Year 10 and Evie F in Year 11!

# PGL trip for Yr 7

Last half term, Year 7 took part in their first JF trip to PGL. The students conducted themselves exceptionally and did Miss Faulding proud. Both staff and students took part in a variety of activities including: high ropes, giant swing, climbing, trapeze, axe throwing, zip wire, orienteering, Jacob's ladder.

Both staff and students thoroughly enjoyed this weekend residential trip.



#### **Primary school liaison**

This year, we hosted our first ever escape room and offered this to several of our Year 6 feeder schools. It was great to meet potential students for our next cohort of Year 7 and Miss Faulding was so pleased with how all of the Year 6 students conducted themselves when taking part. You will be pleased to know that all students successfully escaped!

## Year 9 Mock Trials

Year 9 Mock Trial practices have started, and the students have been amazing so far. Miss Grace is really looking forward to working with them!



## **Inspiration Day 1 - November**

November saw our very first Inspiration Day. Year 7 worked with the 'Art of Brilliance' where they learnt about being the best version of themselves. Year 8 learnt about the importance of being kind through a theatre production which highlighted the impact of words on others.

Year 9 were busy creating new designs for well-known French and German brands then teamed their entrepreneurial skills with a session from 'Resilient Me' on resilience and wellbeing!

Year 10 enjoyed a visit from Ripley Fire Station fire engine and a lesson in First Aid

Year 11 got to experience University life for the day. With tours of the University and listening to a sample lecture, they got to imagine what lies waiting after they leave JF.

We're looking forward to the next day in March!

#### Well done to...

The students who raised £400 for Children in Need through a bake sale and asking staff and students to "Pedal for Pennies" on the spin bike and rowing machine!





Kindness" scheme for students

to award each other this week!

setting up their "Candy Canes of

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