

# JOHN COLET SCHOOL SIXTH FORM

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## NEWSLETTER

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A termly update from the Head of Sixth Form & Prefect team  
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### Enjoy your summer holidays!

Congratulations to Sixth Form for all their hard work this year. We are sad to see our Year 13 cohort leave, but know they have very exciting adventures ahead! Year 12 and our prospective new Sixth Form students also have the new Sixth form block to look forward to next year.

#### [Year 12 Supreme Court and Parliament Trip](#)

On Monday 5th June Politics and History students went on a trip to the Supreme Court in Westminster. They got to go to the House of Lords and the House of Commons. When they went into Parliament they completed a workshop about political and protest groups. A majority of the students that went said the highlight of the trip was getting to see Boris Johnson and getting to go into courtrooms and experiencing of what it is like, along with having the independence to walk around London. The Year 12 Politics and History students have recommended taking either one of these subjects for A level, they said that because Politics is an ever changing subject it makes it interesting and with History they get to identify patterns from events that happened years ago up until today.

#### [World Challenge](#)

Next year, 10 of the Year 12 students and 2 Year 11 students are going to Northern Tanzania for 2 weeks accompanied by Mrs Fanchi and Mr Brand. The students are required to raise £4,200 to fund their trip. The students have completed long walks to train themselves for the extensive trekking they will complete around Ngorongoro.

#### [Year 12 University of Hertfordshire Trip](#)

On Thursday 8th June a group of Year 12's went to the University of Hertfordshire for a taster day to experience University life and attend lectures of their choice in courses they are debating taking when they finish Sixth form. The University had 2 different campuses and the students had to make their own way across the different campuses and have an explore. Many have said it was a good trip because it can help them see what University life is like and they got to tour around the different accommodations with the opportunity to ask members of staff about student finance and any other questions they had.



*Year 12 History and Politics students on the Parliament and Supreme court trip.*



### Tips for the prospective year 12's from a current Year 12 student:

- Thoroughly think through what subjects you want to do because if you enjoy them you'll want to learn about it more.
- Make sure you're prepared for how much work and content you'll receive; it may sound easier studying 3 subjects compared to 9 however there is a lot more content that comes with it.
- Do the summer work because if you find the work boring then it's best not to choose that subject.
- Prioritise and balance your workload: prioritise the most important things and not do too much at once because you'll end up stressed.
- Use study times effectively: try and stay on top of work and if you don't have homework do revision because there is a lot of content in sixth form. Go back over notes from lesson and condense them so you can understand the work. Discuss your work with your classmates to ensure you have understood it.

### Mr Harty's last term at John Colet

As we enter the final few weeks of term and we are all looking forward to our summer we are saying goodbye to a very important member of our school, Mr Harty, who will be replaced by Mr Brierly. Mr Harty has been a very good headteacher and, somehow, he knows everyone's name which is unbelievable due to the amount of students there are in the school. Due to this term being Mr Harty's last summer term an interview was conducted with him to discuss his career at JCS.

*How have you found your time at JCS?* A happy experience, highly enjoyable.

*What was the highlight of your career as Headteacher?* Working with students and staff.

*How have you found it being a Headteacher and Physics teacher?* I have always enjoyed teaching and felt it was important to know what it's like for the staff.

*Any advice for Sixth Form?* Make the most of opportunities the school offers, study hard but also enjoy life.

*Any plans after you've stepped down as Headteacher?* I am going to another school to teach Physics part time as I believe I'm too young to stop teaching.

*What accomplishments are you most proud of that you have introduced to the school?* The canteen as I felt it was unfair for students to not have a proper place to go for lunch.

**We wish Mr Harty the best of luck at his new school and thank him for all that he has done for the JCS.**

*A huge thank you to our new PR prefect Amelia Kaye for writing and curating this edition of the Sixth form newsletter.*

#### **PARENTS/CARERS OF YEAR 12**

A first draft of all students personal statements were due to their form tutors on Monday 3 July. It is important all students write a personal statement, even if they are not intending on applying to University as it is a useful resource in job and apprenticeship applications.

Students should ensure any summer work is completed to a high standard over the holidays, year 12 is a more intensive year than year 13, so it is important students start the year on a positive footing.

#### **PARENTS/CARERS OF YEAR 13**

Congratulations to all of Year 13 for their conduct and commitment during their A-Level exams. We hope they have a fantastic summer to celebrate the end of their school years and we look forward to hearing about all their future achievements and adventures.

A Level results day will take place on Thursday the 17<sup>th</sup> of August. Results will be available for collection from the hall between 9-11am. UCAS track updates at 8am

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