# JOHN COLET SCHOOL SIXTH FORM NEWSLETTER

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A half termly update from the Head of Sixth Form & our Head Student Team Follow and find out more about us on Twitter @JCS SixthForm

## Welcome Back Again and a Happy Easter Holiday!

A warm welcome back for the second time this school year! It is a pleasure to see students back for in person teaching. They have embraced the return with a positive attitude and it has been lovely to see them both focusing on their studies and catching up with their peers, adapting well to the ever changing climate we live in. They have received positive responses for their great attitude and behaviour while attending their lateral flow tests. As we enter the final term of the school year we look forward to having our Year 12s in for all of their scheduled timetable and spending some more time with Year 13's before they leave.

#### Events of the half term

-Young Enterprise pitched a Dragon's Den style panel over Zoom successfully competing to secure themselves £50 of investment to expand their range of candles. They invested in a new 'bubble' mould. They ably fielded questions about the burn times of different types of wax and gave a confident presentation. Since the return to school 'Wax Worx' have also taken part in more funding bids and their business is growing from strength to strength.

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-Congratulations to Jodie Williams, Macey Crawford, Jamie-Lee Beever and Imogen Pegrum-Butler who went through to the final round of the National Film and Television School Commercials Challenge. The students created a 30 second commercial promoting the school to prospective pupils and their parents. They participated in a masterclass with the NFTS via Zoom, gave an in class presentation and their work was then judged by a panel of industry experts. Despite another local school gaining the top prize, our team should be proud of their accomplishments!

Coming back to school after the second round of online learning, it was safe to say that myself and other students were feeling a bit apprehensive of how we're going to settle back into face-to-face learning, especially since we had all started to get used to the new way of online learning. However, the school has made an excellent effort to ensure that we have all integrated back into our classes in a safe and enjoyable way. It has been nice to see everyone, including members of staff, for our last few months at the school

Year 12 students may be thinking of submitting their video applications for being a part of the head student team. Even though this process may be daunting now that everything has seemed to be moved online - just try to think of the advantages! You will have plenty of time to practice and record your speeches until you have it perfect. If I had to give potential applicants one piece of advice, it would be just to go for it. You won't be missing out on anything by applying, and if you are successful, it will enable you to develop a whole range of new skills that can benefit both the school community and yourselves later on in life.

Plans for the Year 13 last day are in the works. A Google Form was sent out to Year 13 students a while ago, allowing them to have their say on what they want out of our last time as a year group. The logistics of the events are being worked out by the Head Student team and an email will go out to students shortly with all the details, so hopefully we can expect a great final day together on the 20<sup>th</sup> of May. *–Emma Mohammed, Head Girl* 

#### PARENTS / CARERS OF YEAR 13:

Some key dates for Year 13:

- -The last teaching day for Year 13 will be the 19<sup>th</sup> of May with leaver's day taking place on the 20<sup>th</sup> of May.
- -Results day will take place on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> of August.
- -For those who have applied through UCAS. If you receive your last decision on or before 20 May 2021, your reply date is 10 June 2021 (except if you're using Extra to find a place). If you receive your last decision on or before 13 July 2021, your reply date is 14 July 2021 (including Extra choices)
- Student finance is also now open.

# **CELEBRATING SUCCESS**

Congratulations to all students who have received postcards and R points over this last term. We appreciate your consistent effort in all your subjects.

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

- -Please encourage your child to begin thinking about postschool options. Whether that be university, employment, apprenticeships or gap years. During the summer term Mrs Fanchi will be running a UCAS session with Year 12 in order to set up their applications, ready to complete in the autumn term of year 13.
- -Year 12 mock exams will take place on the week commencing 7<sup>th</sup> of June.

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