



# JWS YEAR 11 NEWSLETTER

## AUTUMN EDITION



### Applications for JWS 6<sup>th</sup> Form are now open

Students will receive an assembly after half term detailing the opportunities available as well as the application process. For more information please find the JWS Post 16 Prospectus and application form on the school website. The JWS has a very successful 6<sup>th</sup> Form and welcomes applications from both internal and external students.

***44% of JWS students went to Russell Group universities in 2020.***

### Year 11 Mock Exams 2020 23 November – 4 December

Exams will take place in all subject areas. Students have been issued with their individual mock exam timetable and this can also be viewed on Insight. These are an invaluable opportunity for students to revise for and experience real examination conditions. Students should prepare thoroughly for these exams, in the same manner they would for their GCSE summer exams. Revision help and advice has been sent home with this newsletter so parents and carers can support mock exam preparation at home.

### Careers Advice and Guidance

All students will have access to a 1:1 careers guidance interview with a qualified level 6 careers guidance professional before Easter half term. In these sessions students will have the opportunity to discuss and explore career aspirations and plan their next steps. All students receive an action plan which will be emailed home.

Students also have access to application support sessions – these will help students when applying for college, 6<sup>th</sup> form, apprenticeships and employment.

Attached to this newsletter is the November Careers bulletin. If you would like more help and careers guidance for your child please access the **Careers Hub** on the school website.

### ATL and Homework Report 16 October 2020

Students will have received their ATL and Homework report on the last Friday of term. Students are expected to have an **average ATL of 3 or above** – meaning that their ATL is at least consistently 'good'. A copy of your son or daughter's report will be available on your Insight account on Monday 19 October.

Year 11 students with an average AtL below 3 should speak to their subject teachers and with the support of Academic Mentors set targets to improve before this next reporting window.

The next Year 11 Report will be published on **18 December**. This will include Attitude to Learning, Homework and predicted GCSE grades for each subject.

### Year 11 Parents Feedback Appointments 10 and 12 November 2020

Unfortunately we are unable to hold our normal parents evenings this year. In order to provide feedback on your child's progress we are inviting parents and carers to book a telephone consultation via Insight with your child's tutor. The allocation for each appointment is 10 minutes. Subject teachers will submit detailed feedback to tutors prior to your consultation however teachers may contact you directly if they have any significant concerns.

**The booking system is now open. Please book one slot per student only.**

## Year 11 Support and Intervention

**We have an extensive programme for year 11 students that provides additional academic support, careers guidance and study sessions in order that all students have the opportunity to reach their potential.**

### Registration

We make full use of registration time running maths and English intervention sessions with subject specialists. All students have individualised English and maths support booklets to complete. We have a very successful programme of peer maths mentoring which is extremely popular. Daily academic and pastoral mentoring runs every day. During registration we run careers workshops and will have virtual information sessions on specific careers and areas of interest. During registration we run revision and study skills sessions.

### Silent Study Area

We provide a Silent Study Area (Room 90) with ICT availability for students who wish to study quietly after school. This is open Mon, Tues and Weds until 4:15pm.

### Additional Subject Support Sessions

After the half term break a session 6 will be available for students. The nature of these sessions will be determined by subject areas. Some sessions will be time limited, inviting a group of students to attend and once completed the sessions will run again for another group of students. In the first instance core subjects and coursework subjects will be offering sessions. Students will be informed of which sessions to attend and these will be published via Insight.

## GCSE Results Day 27 August 2021

The Department for Education have announced that GCSE exams will start three weeks later than usual due to the current COVID situation. This means exams will be taking place in July 2020. Please do not book holidays until we are able to confirm the final exam date!

## NEW RESOURCE TO SUPPORT SEND STUDENTS



<https://independentandworkready.co.uk/>

A great resource with lots of helpful information



## Year 11 Equipment Requirements

Students are expected to have the correct equipment everyday:

- ✓ Black pen
- ✓ Green pen
- ✓ Pencil
- ✓ Ruler
- ✓ White board pen
- ✓ Calculator
- ✓ Maths equipment
- ✓ Pencil Case
- ✓ Water bottles must be clear, without labels in exams

## Year 11 Uniform Expectations

- Body piercings should not be visible. Facial piercings and stretchers are not allowed.
- Footwear should be smart and formal. Black socks must be worn.
- Make-up, if worn at all, should be minimal and appropriate to the school environment. False eyelashes are not permitted.
- Nail varnish and nail extensions must not be worn.
- Black lanyards and face coverings must be worn everyday.

## To contact the KS4 team:

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# Year 11 Careers Information

We hope to provide accurate and realistic advice to our students. All students have informed us of their current career aspirations and we will aim to answer their questions about qualifications and skills required to access their chosen field. We appreciate that many young people will not have fixed career ideas yet and we will help them explore their interests and any potential areas to develop these.

## MILITARY PREPARATION COLLEGE

A new Military Preparation College has opened in Beeston for students aged 16-19. For more information contact:

**0330 111 3939**  
**ENQUIRIES@MPCT.CO.UK**  
**TEXT MPCT TO 88008**

## RESOURCE OF THE MONTH THE SKILLS TOOLKIT

Many career-related activities will either be put on hold or moved to a virtual platform for the foreseeable future; this includes open evenings, employability events and career fairs. This accentuates the growing demand for digital skills, including parents and carers who may also need help to support their child or children with their career planning – the [National Careers Service Skills Toolkit](#) provides links to a range of free courses which may help.

## JWS Careers Services

Help students to fill in application forms.

Find out about apprenticeships in the area.

Advertise open days/virtual college tours.

Arrange careers appointments.

Source specific career mentors.

Direct students to university courses.

Prepare students for interviews.

## CAREERS IN THE HEALTH SECTOR

Nottingham University Hospital trust have put together a brilliant resource for anybody interested in a career in the Health sector.

Click on the link to access their career link video storyboard

<https://www.nuh.nhs.uk/download.cfm?doc=docm93jijm4n7911.pdf&ver=17219>

**VIDEO 1, NOTTINGHAM UNIVERSITY HOSPITALS (NUH) NHS TRUST**  
This video explains what NUH is and does as part of the NHS and how it supports its local community with Health Services - Please click [here](#)

**VIDEO 2, CAREERS IN HEALTH**  
This video explains the variety of roles within the NHS. With over 550 careers to choose from you will find a role suitable for you. Please click [here](#)

**VIDEO 3, VALUES & BEHAVIOURS, EQUALITY, DIVERSITY & INCLUSION**  
Values & Behaviour are important to NHS organisations, hear more about NUH Values and our commitment to Equality, Diversity & Inclusion. Please click [here](#)

**VIDEO 4, CAREER PATHWAYS INCLUDING THE GRADUATE MANAGEMENT TRAINING SCHEME**  
Career Frameworks outline how you can join the NHS in an entry level role with minimum qualifications and through experience and training can develop to more senior positions. Please click [here](#)

**VIDEO 5, BENEFITS TO WORKING IN HEALTH**  
Watch this video to find out about the benefits of working in health for example annual leave, pensions and various staff discounts. Please click [here](#)

**VIDEO 6, APPLYING FOR A ROLE IN HEALTH**  
To understand where you can find NHS jobs, how you can apply and top tips for making your application stand out click on this video. Please click [here](#)