

The Judd School

Headteacher's | Newsletter



WELCOME...

...to all students joining us for the first time this year, a record number at over 300, including 192 in Year 7 and 98 in Year 12. Notably, having celebrated 25 years of welcoming girls to the Sixth Form, this year sees our greatest number with 82 girls in Year 12 making the total more than a third of our Sixth Form. We also are pleased to welcome 16 new staff to the team, having only said goodbye to 4 in the summer! The growth of the school partly necessitates this increase, but it also reflects our ambition to undo some of the pain experienced through Government austerity!



Staff joining the school:

| NAME | TEACHING SUBJECT |
|-------------------|------------------|
| Zoe Baker | RS |
| Chris Burnie | Maths |
| Lara Coombs | Biology |
| Chris Dobson | PE & Maths |
| Nick Edmunds | Chemistry |
| Amy Everingham | Biology |
| Vivien Hargreaves | Latin & History |
| Steve Hawkins | DT |

| NAME | TEACHING SUBJECT |
|-----------------|-----------------------------|
| Karine Kleywegt | French (Head of Department) |
| Jason Pegg | Physics |
| Oliver Wright | Economics & Politics |

| NAME | SUPPORT STAFF ROLE |
|----------------|----------------------------|
| Catherine Beck | Librarian |
| Karen Cooper | Cover Supervisor |
| Ross Palmer | Learning Support Assistant |
| Davina Powley | Biology Technician |
| Sam Wicks | Learning Support Assistant |

Summer Results Highlights

Enormous congratulations to Laurie Auld, Joe Barney, Theo Briscoe, Robert Gregson, James Lester, Mungo Mangat and Alexander Robson who managed to achieve 9s in ALL their GCSEs.

Similar praise to Ethan Arnold, Rose Blyth, George Coote, Luke Davies, Max De Bono, Ayush Gupta, Holly Hayward, Pippa Jackson, Milla Keith, Jessica Lally, Kartik Velayudham and Adam Winnifrith who swept A*s in all their A Levels.

A Level:

- over 400 results were graded A* or A - almost two thirds of all results.
- 87.9% of all A level entries were graded A*, A or B.
- half of students gained AAA or better.

At GCSE:

- more than half of all entries were graded A*, 8 or 9 for the sixth year in succession.
- 90% of students achieved their EBacc of the required suite of subjects.

New Building work well underway!



As you can see from the images, demolition is well under way, with the old kitchen no more! It was our least attractive building so will not be missed and its passing will open up the courtyard, which in time we will seek to redevelop and make a more social space.

The RS building work is also moving along, though perhaps not as quickly as originally anticipated - such is life where projects of

this nature on old buildings is concerned. When this work is complete, the building will have four new classrooms on the front of the building, a much improved entrance and general appearance, and toilets on the ground floor. Looking at the visualisations below, we cannot wait to take occupation later this academic year.



New Pavilion at Vizards

We are also delighted to announce that work is almost complete on the new pavilion at Vizards. This will provide four spacious changing rooms, each able to accommodate two rugby teams, together with a club room in the middle to offer refreshments or a place to shade from the sun - or more likely rain as the season progresses! We have not lost our ambition to provide a more luxurious pavilion at the site, but realise that it is exactly that and feel there are more pressing priorities for the Development Fund, which was able to fund this project due to the continuing generosity of parents in the school. Look out for more

information on our exciting plans for the school's development at school events this year!



Important Dates for the Diary

Rugby vs Tonbridge - 21st Sept
JPA AGM - 25th Sept - 7:30pm
DofE Parent Information Eve - 24th Sept
Y12 Information Evenings - 26th Sept - 6pm & 7:30pm
Careers Evening - 3rd Oct - 6:45pm

Y7 Induction Trips - 1st/2nd or 8th/9th Oct
Rugby vs Skinners - 4th Oct (1st XV - 5pm) & 5th Oct
Y11 Parents' Evening - 10th Oct - 4:30-8pm
JPA Cheese & Wine Social Eve - 11th Oct - 8pm
Sixth Form Open Eve (new students only) 15th Oct
Y7 Social Evening - 16th Oct