



ISSUE EIGHTEEN— 4TH JULY 2019

# JC Newsletter

## IMPORTANT DATES:

A LEVEL RESULTS DAY: 15TH AUGUST

GCSE RESULTS DAY: 22ND AUGUST

LAST DAY OF TERM: 4TH JULY

**Y7 & Y12 STUDENT INDUCTION DAY: 2ND  
SEPTEMBER**

**1ST DAY OF TERM: 3RD SEPTEMBER**



## Message from The Principal



Dear Parents,

In 1996, archaeologists working in South Africa discovered a set of footprints in sandstone. Analysis of these footprints now suggest that they were made by a woman just under 5 feet tall, walking towards a lagoon shortly after a rain downpour. It is estimated that this took place approximately 117000 years ago. We know very little about the person but what is certain is that he or she had no idea that her footprints would be still be discussed over a hundred thousand years later. At assembly this morning, we discussed the impact that so many have made upon us all this year. As the year draws to a close, it has been interesting to reflect on our actions and the events of this year which have left an impact, often unintended, on others.

As always, there have been many challenges yet, despite these, the school has continued to thrive. This was best captured by our accreditation this week as a High Performance Learning World Class School – a recognition which has so far only been given to thirteen schools worldwide. All staff here have worked so hard throughout the year, focussing unremittingly on the students and ensuring that they are able to realise their potential and achieve at the very highest levels. We await the results in August, but I know we can look forward with a sense of confident anticipation.

Sadly the happiness achieved by reaching the end of the year is tempered by the knowledge that many of our community will not be with us to start next year in September. The speed of change in Dubai seems to have increased of late and many families are moving on to start exciting futures around the world. A number of our teaching staff will be taking up positions in new schools next year, similarly worldwide, and I want to thank them for all that they have done whilst at Jumeirah College. All staff here work so hard and the success that this school achieves is a reflection of their constant dedication and professionalism. The teaching staff leaving are:-

**Leon Aikman** (Teacher of Mathematics) is moving to work at DESC

**Shafiq Bodalbhai** (Head of Psychology) is moving to Malaysia

**Stephen Bonnar** (Head of Year and Teacher of Physics) is moving to New York, USA

**Victoria Brown** (Head of SfL and Teacher of Geography) is moving to Ajman

**Emma Chamberlain** (Head of Mathematics) is moving to South Korea

**Ricki-Lee Finch** (Teacher of History & Politics) is returning to the United Kingdom

**Sophie Gathercole** (Senior Teacher and Teacher of History & Politics) is moving to GEMS Wellington International School

**Daniel Goddard** (Teacher of Art) is moving to Thailand

**Caroline Hanley** (Teacher of Business Studies) is returning to Ireland



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**Ifrah Ibrahim** (Teacher of Islamic Studies) is moving to work at Greenfield Community School, Dubai.

**Laura Knapp** (Teacher of Mathematics and IA Coordinator) is moving to Singapore

**Hollie Lewis** (Teacher of Mathematics and KS4 Coordinator) is moving to Malaysia

**Selina Okunnu** (Teacher of Psychology) is moving to work at JESS

**Lucy Pittman** (Teacher of English) is moving to Thailand

**Katherine Prior** (Teacher of Mathematics) is moving to Japan

**Sarah Rivett** (Teacher of Music) is returning to the United Kingdom

**Michelle Ryan** (Head of Year 13 and Teacher of Business Studies) is moving to work at Safa International School

**Lydia Saffarini** (Teacher of Arabic) is leaving JC

**Alex Shaw** (Teacher of Mathematics) is returning to the United Kingdom

**Joanne Small** (Teacher of MFL) is moving to work at JESS

**Katy Younge** (Head of English) is moving to take up a promotion at GEMS Metropole

**Gareth Wright** (Head of Science) is moving to South Korea



In addition, I want to pay particular thanks to **Amanda Jewell** who is retiring today. Amanda been Careers Advisor at the school for thirteen years. Over that time she has supported thousands of JC students secure their next steps to universities around the world. This has required an encyclopaedic knowledge of university admissions systems, and how to get the best out of them, in many different countries. Amanda is now going on a worldwide tour – and is likely to meet up with many of those students she has helped. I know all of us wish her well. I would also like to thank **Gemma Richards**, our PRE, who is leaving to spend some more time with her family. Finally, **Suha Dajjani** will be leaving her post as Art Technician to move to Europe. We wish them all well.

In August we are looking forward to welcoming a new team of highly experienced staff to the College. I am enormously excited to welcome them as they bring with them a vast range of talents and experiences. The teachers joining us in August will be:-

**Joanne Jevons** (Teacher of Mathematics) is returning to teach at JC

**Richard Farnan** (Head of Psychology) joins us from Harrogate Ladies' College, Harrogate, UK

**Josephine Rourke** (Teacher of Physics) joins us from Calderstones School, Liverpool, UK



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**Louise Dawson** (Head of Inclusion) joins us from King's School, Al Barsha, Dubai  
**Preetesh Tank** (Head of Mathematics) joins us from Hampton Gardens School, Peterborough, UK  
**Louis Sugden** (Teacher of History and Politics) joins us from Cromwell Community College, UK  
**Angela Balfe** (Teacher of History and Politics) joins us from The Thomas Aveling school Rochester, UK  
**Emma Parsons** (Teacher of Art) is returning to teach from Hartland School, Dubai  
**Aislinn O'Keefe** (Teacher of Business Studies) is joining us from Holy Cross Sixth Form College, Bury, UK  
**Amy John** (Head of Music) is joining us from GEMS Wellington Silicon Oasis, Dubai  
**Mohammed Afzal** (Teacher of Islamic Studies) joins us from Sharjah Quran and Sunnah, Sharjah  
**Lynn Wilmoth** (Careers Advisor) joins us from JESS, Dubai  
**Barry Keane** (Teacher of Mathematics) joins us from Alleyn's School, Dulwich, UK  
**Yousef Patel** (Teacher of Mathematics) joins us from Harris Academy Tottenham, London, UK  
**Julia Thompson** (Teacher of Psychology) joins us from Albemarle Independent College, Mayfair, UK  
**Olivia McComb** (Teacher of English) joins us from O Castro International School, Spain  
**Anthony Bantan** (Teacher of Mathematics) joins us from Shire Oak Academy, West Midlands, UK  
**Charlene Doherty** (Teacher of Business Studies) joins us from Holy Cross Sixth Form College, Bury, UK  
**Khadija Waeyi** (Teacher of Arabic) joins us from Emirates International School, Dubai  
**Mohammed Eaden** (Teacher of Mathematics) joins us from Queen Elizabeth's Girls' School, Barnet, UK  
**Laura Perea** (2nd in MFL) joins us from GEMS Metropole School, Dubai  
**Michaela Ashton** (Teacher of English) joins us from St Joseph's College, Ipswich, UK  
**Gina Daly** (Teacher of Physics) joins us from GEMS Metropole, Dubai

In preparation for next year, I have recently made a number of internal appointments and I am delighted to share them with you. **Sam Pedder** has been appointed Senior Teacher and will join the Senior Leadership Team. In our curriculum team **Kayleigh Trotman** will be starting as Head of English and **Sanjit Johal** as Head of Science. **Georgina Ross** will take up leadership of Performing Arts. **David Hagar** is taking up position as Head of Physics and Academic Enrichment and **Erin Hearty** will start in September as our Achievement Co-ordinator. I am very grateful to **Nichola Ford** who will be taking up position as 2nd in the Maths Department. We have three new Heads of Year; **Heidi Godinho** will be Head of Year 7, **John Woolcock** Head of Year 11 and **Holly Stephens** will be Head of Year 12. **Hannah Southam** is to be the new Head of Sina House and **Sanah Aziz** the new Head of Gibran. I would like to congratulate them all for their well-deserved promotions.

I have no doubt that many of you will soon be setting off on your holidays and I hope all connected with Jumeirah College can look back with a sense of pride on all that has been achieved this year. In a few weeks we will start again, but I sincerely hope the intervening time allows you to spend precious time with family and friends and have a very good rest. Travel safely and I look forward to seeing many of you again in September.

**Simon O'Connor**







# New Canteen Provider from September

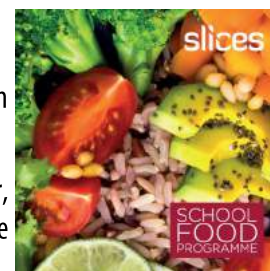
From September 2019 **Slices** will be the canteen provider.

Details of the Slices sample menu, nutritional information and online system payment guidelines can be found on the D6 communicator.

With regards to refunds from this year's credit on student accounts with the current canteen provider, all students that have not been able to run down their credit, will receive refunds. Details of this will be communicated in August.

In order to access the new canteen services next year parents are required to register their details online with the Slices portal and will receive a Slices access card.

**Please ensure you have registered your information and sign up to the Slices portal in order to use the new system in September. Thank you.**



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REGISTRATION & PAYMENT INFORMATION

Our aim is to supply each pupil with a SlicesCard to be used instead of cash to purchase their daily school meals. Parents register online and top up their child's account to enable them to start using their SlicesCard. Every time the card is presented at a till, the balance is displayed and this lets pupils know how much money they have available.

## HOW DO I REGISTER MY CHILD?

Parents can register their child online at [pay.slices.ae](http://pay.slices.ae)



## ONLINE TOP-UP

A dedicated webpage that allows you to pay for meals, view what your child has had for lunch or snack and much more!



## BANK TRANSFER

You can also transfer an amount to our bank account. Please send the proof of payment to [feedback@slices.ae](mailto:feedback@slices.ae)

Bank Details  
**Account Name** Slices Catering Services  
**Account Number** 10432316020001  
**IBAN** AE110030010432316020001  
**Bank Name** Abu Dhabi Main Branch  
**Bank Address** ADCBAEAA

\*Standard bank charges of 3% applies to your online transactions



## CASH DEPOSIT

Top up the account using cash with the Slices representative at the school.



## REFUND POLICY

Subject to reviewing the case (An AED 20 administrative fee will be applied when a refund is requested).

## CARD LOSS

If a card is lost, then Slices will charge AED 20 to replace the card. The balance will be transferred to the new card.





# A Quick Look at 2018-2019





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## Notices



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### 1. Click:

- Visit your school's teamshop at **www.kukrisports.ae**
- Register with your details

### 2. Shop:

- After selecting your teamshop
  - Choose your items & add to basket
  - Proceed with payment & place order
- (Please note: No cash payments)

### 3. Collect:

- We receive order confirmation
- Items will be ready for collection at the Kukri warehouse.

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The Box Self Storage Services -  
Dubai Investments park, Thee Street,  
Community 598

### Term Timings:

**Sat - Thu**  
**08:00 - 18:00**

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For more info contact Joey at the warehouse  
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# Notices

After the appointment of the Senior Student Executive, the Year 11 Executive Team have now been selected.

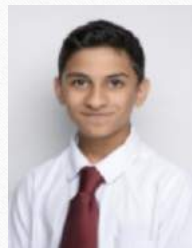


## The Y11 Executive Team 2019-2020

Muhammad Vakil



Shyal Bhalla



Hiba Khan



Lucy Moore



## SKI TRIP 2020

February 16<sup>th</sup> until the 20<sup>th</sup>



See Miss Deans for details





# Parental Engagement

Thank you for all of your feedback on student wellbeing this year. As you know we are currently working to achieve the Wellbeing Award for Schools, developed in partnership with the National Children's Bureau (NCB). The award is intended to help schools prepare and equip themselves to promote emotional wellbeing and positive mental health across the whole-school community. NCB's vision is an education system where good emotional wellbeing and mental health are at the heart of the culture and ethos of all schools, so that pupils, with the support of their teachers, can build confidence and flourish. Evidence shows us that wellbeing is of central importance to learning and attainment, with high levels of wellbeing associated with improved academic outcomes. To achieve this vision, NCB advocates the use of a 'whole-school approach' where all aspects of the school experience are harnessed to promote the emotional wellbeing and mental health of pupils and staff. It is an approach where emotional wellbeing and mental health is everybody's business.



If you have any additional feedback or ideas to share with us, please email me at [h.godinho\\_jcd@gemsedu.com](mailto:h.godinho_jcd@gemsedu.com).

**Mrs H Godinho, Wellbeing Coordinator**

*Jumeirah College*

Get together and each family member plans an activity for the whole family to do over the summer.

Share ideas and schedule them into the family calendar!



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and any other books

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