

THE JOHN OF GAUNT SCHOOL
- A Community Academy -



Year 7

Activities Week:

Monday 19th July 2021

Tuesday 20th July 2021

Wednesday 21st July 2021

Thursday 22nd July 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are very excited to be offering four July activity days to all students in Years 7-10. Our activity days will be Monday 19th July, Tuesday 20th July, Wednesday 21st July and Thursday 22nd July.

Each year group will have one day for a dedicated whole year group activity that will take place in or around school with no cost to the student. You can find details of this in the enclosed booklet.

For the remaining three days, students will need to select activities from the range of activities outlined in this booklet. We are delighted to offer you a variety of exciting activities that include both trips as well as in-school activities.

An email will be sent to you via School Gateway with a link to an online options form, which you should complete and submit **by Wednesday 19th May 2021**. A paper copy will be sent home via your son/daughter if you are not registered on School Gateway. If your form is submitted/handed in after the deadline, please be aware that you may not get your preferred choices.

Please nominate your preferences for the three days indicated on the online form. **Please select 3 different choices for each day.**

Following 19th May, we will let you know the activities students have been allocated, and distribute information on how and when to pay etc. **Please note that some activities may not run if there is insufficient demand, changes in lockdown guidance or unforeseen circumstances.**

In the event that the activity is oversubscribed, all names will be randomly selected by a computer software program.

We are really looking forward to these days and the enrichment opportunities. It will be a lovely end to the academic year.

Yours faithfully



Linda Baines

Assistant Head

Year 7

Thursday 22nd July is the Whole Year 7 Group Activity

Teachers: Mrs Addison, Miss Wood, Mrs Stewart and others

Activity: details to follow

You have a further 3 days of activities. Please read each activity and choose your 1st, 2nd and 3rd choice for each day. These will need to be completed on your online options form and this form should be submitted no later than **Wednesday 19th May**. You can put your choices in the boxes below and keep this to remind you nearer the time of what you chose.

<u>Monday 19th July</u>		<u>Tuesday 20th July</u>		<u>Wednesday 21st July</u>	
Card and Board Games		A Play in a Day		Film Trailer * (3 days)	
Cray fishing		Cinema		Hiking	
Film Trailer* (3 days)		Dungeons & Dragons		Kidzania	
Hiking		El Dia de los Muertos		STEM Challenge	
M4 Karting		Film Trailer* (3 days)		Upcycling – Mr Webb’s Nurture Group ONLY	
Paultons Park Fun Day		Great British Picnic		We the Curious	
Photography Workshop		Hiking		Wellbeing Day	
Sports Fun Day		Jamma de Samba			
		Outdoor Learning “Bugging Around”			
		Spanish and Art			

* Film Trailer – This is a 3 day activity so you must choose all 3 days

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Activity: A Play in a Day	
Teachers: Miss Regan	
Max No: 20	Cost: free

Students will write the play in the morning, rehearse during p3&4 and perform in p5.

The performance will be recorded period 5 which can be streamed on the school website!

Activity: Card and Board Games	
Teachers: Mr Rhodes	
Max No: 18	Cost: Free

Come and enjoy a variety of card and board games with other students and feel free to bring in your own and teach them to others!

Activity: Cinema	
Teachers: Mrs Perks, Miss Diaper, Miss Grenham, Miss Liddington	
Max No: 70	Cost: approx. £20

Are you in to films? Do you fancy a trip to the recently reopened Odeon to see a couple of the latest films? If so, this is the activity for you!

Activity: Crayfishing	
Teachers: Mr Streatfeild, Mrs Farion	
Max No: 10	Cost: free

The river Frome is full of crayfish (like lobsters but smaller). We'll spend half a day catching them, then either release them or – if we're feeling brave - cook them and make crayfish sandwiches. Last time we went we caught nearly 200!

We'll also toast some marshmallows over a fire and, almost certainly, get very wet!

Activity: Dungeons and Dragons	
Teachers: Ms J Harris-Saville	
Max No: 10	Cost: Free

Always wanted to try Dungeons and Dragons? Come along and learn how to make a character and the basic rules. Then try them out in a session run by Ms Harris-Saville. Let your imagination run wild and enjoy getting to go on a crazy adventure without having to leave the comfort of the classroom!

Activity: El Dia De Los Muertos	
Teachers: Ms Callaghan & Mrs Borrego-Real	
Max No: 35	Cost: Free

An in-depth examination of the Mexican festival Day of the Dead which will involve a study of the film *The Book of Life*, a discussion about the history and meaning of the festival and various crafts relating to “las ofrendas”, culminating in a presentation of what we have produced.

Activity: Film Trailer - 3 day activity	
Teachers: Mrs Johnson, Mrs Bray & Mr Ball	
Max No: 15	Cost: Free

Imagine you are trapped in a bunker and you've got to get out. Imagine you've got to escape across a toxic landscape.

Space exploration, time travel, parallel universe – it is time to embrace your imagination and show off your creative flair!

You will have the opportunity to script, storyboard, film and edit your own trailer for a new Science Fiction film. You will be able to design a whole marketing campaign; this could include a teaser trailer, a series of film posters, and a three-minute film opening.

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Activity: Great British Picnic	
Teachers: Mrs Beattie	
Max No: 20	Cost: free

There is something for everyone!

We will have the opportunity to design and make items needed for a fabulous British picnic, from napkins and lanterns to fun picnic games.

We will spend all morning researching, designing and making a range of picnic foods; from sandwiches (making your own bread) to scones (making your own butter!), we will set up a picnic area where we will spend the afternoon enjoying our delightful picnic foods and participating in some fun picnic games.

Activity: Hiking - Locally	
Teachers: Mr Gray and many more!	
Max No: 30+	Cost: Free

Students will undertake a walk of approximately 10 miles in the local area over the course of the entire school-day. This will be using footpaths, tracks, towpaths and some smaller roads and then having a long lunch break in a scenic spot. We will visit local rivers, canals and woodland and explore paths around Bradford-on-Avon, Tellisford, Avoncliff and Rode.

Students will need to ensure they have suitable footwear for walking in mud and over a long distance. They should also be prepared for extremely hot, wet or cold weather. A good packed-lunch and snacks for the walk will be required and at least 1 litre of water, 2 if the weather is hot.

Activity: Kidzania	
Teachers: Mrs Kerr, Mrs Addecott, Mrs Scott, Mrs Mirza, Miss Wood	
Max No: 90	Cost: Approx £30.50

KidZania is an indoor city, run by kids! Designed for children aged 4-14 KidZania blends learning and reality with entertainment, giving kids the chance to build their confidence, step into some real life roles – everything from Doctor, to a Police Officer, a Dentist and so much more – and to develop relationships with some well established family brands all in one safe secure indoor area.

Activity: M4 Karting	
Teachers: Mr Roberts & Mrs Taylor	
Max No: 10	Cost: approx. £33.50

Take a trip to Hangar 88, Hullavington Aifield, Chippenham and have a day on the Karts, travelling in our school mini-bus.

Fancy yourself as the next Lewis Hamilton??? All the gear but no idea? Why not come and learn how to be a racing driver.

Come and experience full training on:

Racing lines (the fastest route), how to set up a race car, defensive driving, overtaking, health and safety then put all that into practice with 3 timed 10 minute sessions at M4 Karting with a certificate for completion of JOG Racing School and a trophy for fastest time of the day.

Please note there is a minimum height restriction of 130cm for this activity.

Activity: Music of Brazil - Jamma de Samba	
Teachers: Mrs Maguire and Miss Beer	
Max No: 30	Cost: approx. £15

Full day workshop with Jamma de Samba – putting together performances to then perform and record/video period 5 which can be streamed on the school website.

Jamma de Samba will bring into school their experienced professional musicians who will deliver workshops in a positive, energetic and efficient way with just the right balance of discussion, learning and practical experience.

The workshops are designed for young people of all ages, and offer a multi-cultural experience full of cross-curricular learning in line with national curriculum objectives.

Activity: Outdoor Learning - Bugging Around	
Teachers: Mr Little	
Max No: 20	Cost: Free

Calling all young Entomologists and Lepidopterists! Fancy a day chasing bugs, butterflies and bees? (No insects will be harmed in the making of this day)! Spend a day in the open air looking at the insects we share our school site with. We will also spend some time creating habitats for our creepy crawly friends.

Activity: Paultons Park Fun Day	
Teachers: Miss Phillips, Dr Thompson, Mr Pope, Miss Yates	
Max No: 60	Cost: Approx £24

Paultons is the UK's number 1 family theme park — located in Hampshire with over 70 exciting rides and attractions, set within 140 acres of beautiful parkland on the edge of the New Forest National Park. Enjoy roller coasters, thrill rides, family rides, indoor and outdoor play areas, water splash parks, entertainments and an astonishing collection of birds and animals at our amusement park.

Activity: Photography workshop	
Teachers: Mrs Knee, Mr LeBrocq,	
Max No: 20	Cost: free

Students will first be taught about fashion and studio photography. Learning how to use Digital SLR cameras and studio lighting. In the afternoon students will learn editing techniques in Photoshop to produce creative responses to contemporary digital artists using their fashion shots.

Students will be behind and in front of the camera using each other as models. Student will work in small groups. Students will be provided with a range of fancy dress/ unusual clothing to wear or are able to bring in clothes of their own to change into – think fancy dress/high fashion/street wear.

For more info contact rknee@jogschool.org or pop in and see me in C1

Activity: Spanish & Art	
Teachers: Mrs Lopez	
Max No: 16	Cost: free

You will be learning about the life and work of the strange and imaginative Spanish artist Salvador Dalí, before creating your own piece(s) based on his style. You will be able to take these pieces of art home with you. You will go on a virtual visit of his house-museum in Figueres, in Spain, to look at how he lived and some of his most famous art pieces and installations.

You will learn a few key vocab items and sentences in Spanish to help you extend your knowledge of this cultural icon.

You may also have the chance to do some research online about Dalí, to really personalise your work.

This will be a peaceful and creative day, with Spanish music accompanying us during the art sessions, as well as visuals to watch to get us into the mood for our art creations. We will be using pastels and you will be able to take home a vibrant and striking piece of work, even if you don't think you're a very talented artist!

Your Spanish cultural knowledge and vocabulary will also get a boost.

Activity: Sports Fun Day	
Teachers: Mr Mockett, Mr Walker, Miss Lewis, Mr Rossi,	
Max No: 80	Cost: Free

A day of sports competition, in teams you will compete in dodgeball, rounders, football and a surprise sport as a grand finale.

Scoring points for your teams through the different sports that accumulate to crown one team the overall winner at the end of the day.

Activity: STEM Challenge	
Teachers: Mrs Clare, Dr Eyles	
Max No: 30	Cost: free

On the stem challenge day, you will follow in the footsteps of NASA scientists, surgeons and emergency rescue teams who design and use robots and other machines to work in areas that people can't reach.

Working in a group, you will design, make and test a prototype machine to solve a problem in a disaster situation. You will be competing against other teams, The most creative and efficient machine wins.

Activity: Wellbeing Day	
Teachers: Mrs Gilvin, Mrs Hamilton-White, Mrs Foster	
Max No: 30	Cost: free

Would you like a relaxing day in activities week?

Would you like to learn more about looking after your mental health throughout the year?

The wellbeing day will consist of a series of activities that will help you combat stress and which you could practice throughout the summer holidays. We will explore mindful colouring, exercise for mental health and complete a range of activities to help you focus on your wellbeing.

Activity: We the Curious	
Teachers: Miss Cornick, Dr Thompson, Miss Phillips	
Max No: 48	Cost: approx. £15.25

We The Curious is an interactive museum in Bristol that is all about asking questions, getting creative and testing things out. Science is collaborative, living and a vital part of culture - and the exhibits, events and activities aim to stoke curiosity in all of us.

With over 300 exhibits, We The Curious is a must-see for all ages and takes you on an incredible journey exploring the inner workings of the world around us. Plus, there is always something new to discover with the ever-changing programme of special activities covering everything from anatomy and robots, to food and flight!

Activity: Upcycling Project day	
Teachers: Mr Webb - Yr 7 Nurture Class ONLY	
Max No: 8	Cost: free

Give something old a new lease of life. Save money and save the environment. Turn something old into something brand new!