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Dear future JRS Year 7 students

A letter from our head students

As much as we wish we could have met you, sadly we won't be at JRS when you arrive in September. We are the amazing 2021/22 head students of JRS - Vita and Luke - and before we go, we'd like to give you a quick insight into what's in store for you in your coming years at our school; with five years first-hand experience, we're going to give you the JRS introduction we wish we'd had when we joined the school in 2017!

Seriously, there's so much for you to look forward to...

JRS offers so many unique events and experiences - we really wish we could start Year 7 again with you!

For example our distinctive location allows us to do the annual Fell Race! You get to take a day out of school and run (or walk if you are like most of us!) along the local fells. Be prepared to splash through rivers and see if you can beat Mr Blackburn. You will witness the fun fancy dress costumes that Year 11 wear in their final race - our year group were an amazing sight on the fells. Trust us, before you know it, you'll be planning your Year 11 fancy dress costume - heads up though, the costumes don't make navigating the fells any easier!

Another special event - and one of our favourites - is ROCK NIGHT!! You get to form your own bands and for one night after school you can pretend to be any of your favourite rockers; Queen, AC/DC, Guns N' Roses - you name it! It's an amazing opportunity to learn a new instrument or just shake your head to your fellow pupils' attempts at sounding like Bowie.

One of the many things to look forward to at this school is something many secondary schools can't offer - our small size. This may not seem like a positive - but trust us, it is. Being part of a small school like this means you are able to connect with teachers in a way you can't at most larger schools: teachers know everyone's names and are extremely friendly! They will make the daunting transition from your primary school to the 'big secondary school' much easier.

We've all learned so much at JRS - but the one thing we will all remember is how much the 'Be You' part of school vision is really important to everyone - staff and students. We won't see you in September as another part of the school vision is 'Be ready for your future' and thanks to JRS, we're ready for ours. Good luck!

Best wishes,
Former Head Students of JRS
Luke and Vita



Small school, big opportunities.