

Environmental news

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A quarterly update of 'Eco-centre' news at Juniper Hall

Lights out in Cedars block.

The accommodation block 'Cedars', named after the huge trees in the Juniper Hall grounds (Cedars of Lebanon) has recently received a new lighting system.

The system aimed to reduce the centres carbon footprint uses sensors to turn **on** and **off** the lights in the corridors. The sensors are activated when somebody passes in front of them, after several minutes the lights automatically turn off.



'We're Jammin'



It's **official**; Jam sachets have been banned at Juniper Hall. After several years of serving jams in individual sachets the kitchen team decided enough was enough.

Head of the kitchen team Maddy Jones (Assistant Head of Centre) demanded that Jams should be bought in large containers and then transferred to small glass table dishes. "This will reduce the amount of plastic we have to throw away" she said.
Watch out for more waste reduction ideas coming soon...

Caught on camera.

JH biology tutor Chris McGaw witnessed foxes in the centre grounds this term. After placing a web-cam on the Templeton lawn and watching all night he said, "I can confirm that they are foxes".



A sad day in December.

During December 2007 the oldest Oak tree in Mickleham, the village Juniper Hall presides in, blew down in strong winds



The tree, said to be between 500 and 800 years old has been cut up and the logs given away to the residents of Mickleham. Some of the Juniper Hall staff spent an afternoon in February collecting logs for the open fires around the centre.

A new home for Juniper's homeless.

Since Christmas 2007 Chris McGaw has been putting up a number of bird boxes around the centre.

In an attempt to increase the number of bird species in the grounds of Juniper Hall Chris has also built a bird table with feeders.



Coming soon to Juniper Hall...

- Free range eggs in the kitchen.
- Fair trade coffee morning.