



**Pictured:** Kenton Cool (Old Boy), pupil at JHGS from 1985 - 1991.

## Introduction

JHGS is an outstanding school with a long and proud history of educating able boys. We combine the academic rigour of a traditional grammar school with a strong sense of community and a warm and supportive ethos where young men acquire the interpersonal skills of successful leaders.

Academic excellence pervades all that we do but JHGS offers far more; we encourage boys to enjoy as wide an experience as possible. Our prospectus portrays images of distinguished former JHGS students, young and old, whose lives reflect the spirit of enterprise, creativity and challenge that defines the School. A JHGS education is inspirational and we are proud of the young men who leave us to make their mark in so many fields of endeavour.

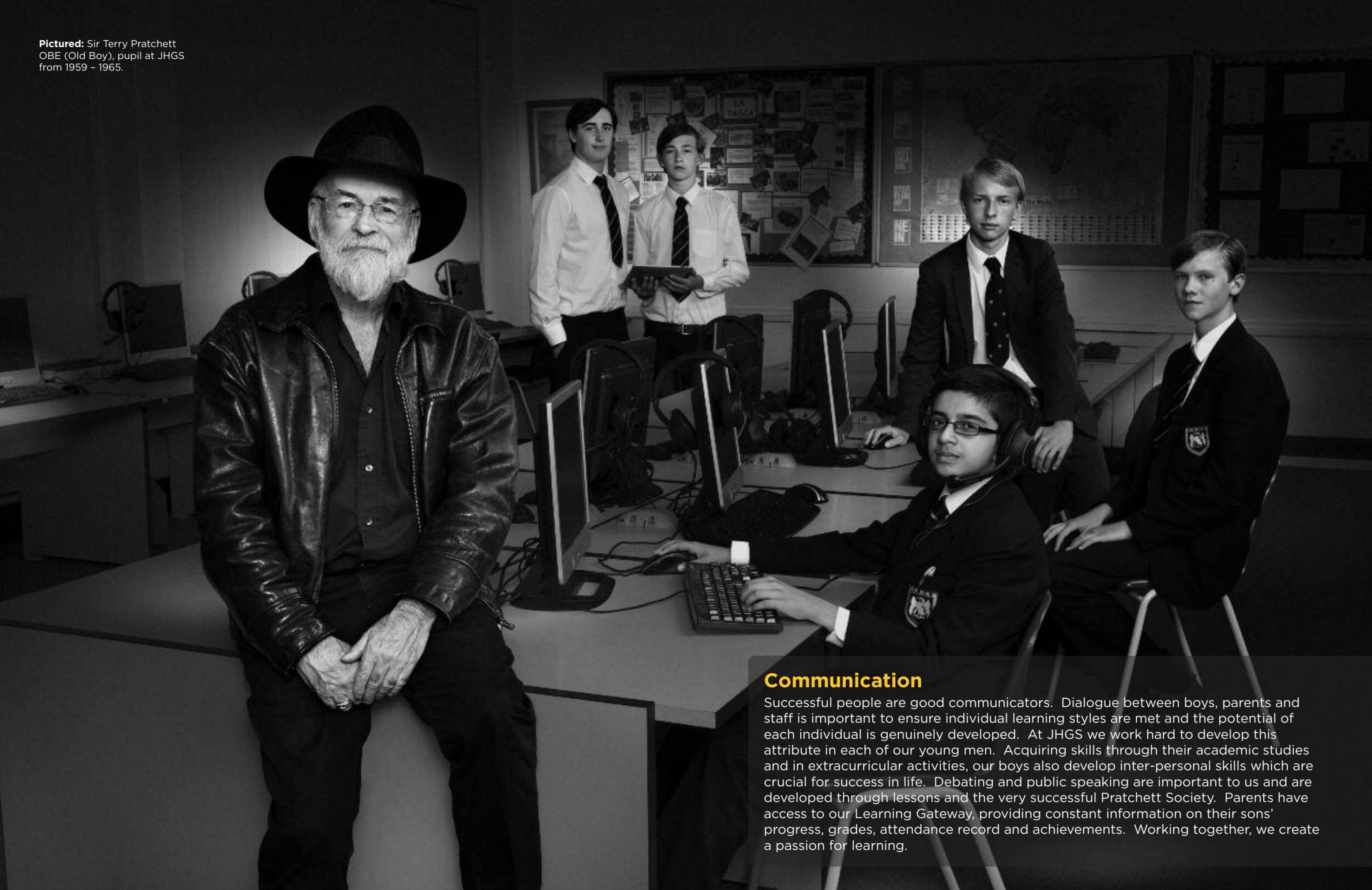
## Academic

JHGS is an established centre of academic excellence. Consistently classified as 'outstanding' by OFSTED, the School offers a broad curriculum which enables us to tailor your son's examination choices to his interests and talents. Specialist status, in technology and science, MFL and sport reflects the many areas of strength at the School. Boys achieve at the very highest level in all subjects. They are encouraged to push the boundaries, to develop enquiring minds and have the ambition to be the very best. Enterprise education and access to advanced technology equip students for the future. Anything is possible for a JHGS student.



**Pictured:** Heston Blumenthal  
OBE (Old Boy), pupil at JHGS  
from 1978 - 1984.

**Pictured:** Sir Terry Pratchett  
OBE (Old Boy), pupil at JHGS  
from 1959 - 1965.



## Communication

Successful people are good communicators. Dialogue between boys, parents and staff is important to ensure individual learning styles are met and the potential of each individual is genuinely developed. At JHGS we work hard to develop this attribute in each of our young men. Acquiring skills through their academic studies and in extracurricular activities, our boys also develop inter-personal skills which are crucial for success in life. Debating and public speaking are important to us and are developed through lessons and the very successful Pratchett Society. Parents have access to our Learning Gateway, providing constant information on their sons' progress, grades, attendance record and achievements. Working together, we create a passion for learning.

**Pictured:** Mark Phillips QC (Old Boy), pupil at JHGS from 1972 - 1979.



### **Pastoral Care**

JHGS has a well established reputation for outstanding pastoral care. Integral to the fabric of the School is respect - respect for each other, our environment and our community. Boys make close friends within their year group, but also relate well across the School and develop close relationships with their Form Tutor and Head of Year. Students take pride in each other's achievements and there is a strong sense of community and team spirit which we value highly. Our relationships with the wider community are important. Students visit primary schools as language ambassadors or sports coaches, look after guests, be they students or adults, and are very proud of the ethos that prevails at the School. JHGS is a happy and supportive school and it is on this basis that students work hard and achieve so much.

## Sixth Form

Leadership opportunities abound throughout the School, but are particularly evident in the Sixth Form. Students increasingly take responsibility for their own learning and virtually all of our students will go to their university of first choice. Sixth Formers are role models and link closely with younger students - be it as a peer mentor, school prefect or one of the 'Men in Black', our tuxedo-attired public relations team. In addition to the extensive range of A Level courses on offer, there are opportunities for academic extension and personal development within the enrichment curriculum, through extra-curricular activities and through our co-operation with other schools, including Wycombe High School. Sixth formers lead the school, nurture younger students and extend their own horizons.

## Sport

Sport very much typifies the ethos of JHGS. We believe in both excellence and participation and offer students a broad range of opportunities ranging from traditional sports such as rugby, football, hockey and cricket through to rock-it-ball! Indeed, some eighteen sports are offered to students when they join the School. Our teams perform at the very highest levels, regularly winning local, regional and national trophies. Each year we run a number of European and World tours for our squads and students are currently training for international and Olympic competitions. Sport at JHGS not only develops excellence but also promotes the core JHGS values of working with and for each other.

**Pictured:** Simon Burnett (Old Boy), pupil at JHGS from 1999 - 2001.



**Pictured left:** Colin Wratten (Old Boy), pupil at JHGS from 1983 - 1988. **Far right:** Ian Moore (Old Boy), pupil at JHGS from 1980 - 1986.



## Creativity

Leading, creating, organising, planning and performing are all enjoyable and rewarding experiences. The School's calendar of performing arts events is extensive and incorporates boys of all ages. Our jazz bands and musical productions have established an enviable reputation and boys perform in county and national bands and orchestras. Lessons promote creativity. Boys explore their own strengths and talents and acquire high level technical skills. An active drama club meets regularly and less formal, but equally entertaining activities (including competitions such as 'Strictly Come Dancing'), provide opportunities for students to express themselves. There is a very strong tradition of art and photography in the School and both are also highly successful examination subjects. The creative life at JHGS educates boys to be open-minded, independent of thought and willing to take risks in their enthusiasm for excellence.

This is an open and welcoming school, and we invite you to visit us during the working day, by appointment. We are confident that the remarkable ethos of this distinguished school will impress you and that you will want to become part of our community.

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