



“At the moment I feel like Kevin Costner. I am not even sure if that is a good thing or a bad thing! But to imitate his famous words from ‘The Field of Dreams’ it feels like ‘if you build it, they will come’”

To that end thank you to all the people who turned up to the Parents’ Forum this week: the turnout was fantastic.

Some key things came from that meeting and included in this weeks Newsflash are the e-mail addresses of everyone associated with the Senior Leadership Team. Please use them and be as vocal as I have always asked you to be.

One of the main issues to arise from that meeting was the debate about uniform: its style and supply. To that end I am setting up a uniform working group with those parents who want to attend and shape this part of your schools image. Remember only those who turn up to these events have a voice so if you feel strongly about school uniform please turn up and be heard.

The first one will be at 5.00pm on Wednesday 2nd November 2016 in the Atrium.

Other key issues that were brought up this week were a shortage of a teacher in English; Homework and Show my Homework; Parents Evening; Accelerated Reader and communication home. There were also some questions about Kagan Learning, and although I tried to explain it there is no doubt that the best way to see your school in action is to make an appointment and come and walk around when lessons are in full flow. Contact my PA if you would like to walk around see learning in action. I will be addressing all these issues this week.

On a slightly different note I would like to congratulate the Year 11s for

remaining flexible in light of the changes that are being put in place to accommodate their academic intervention. Your co-operation and enthusiasm is, as always, very well received. After school revision and help sessions will start in two weeks (including pop and pizza) so watch out for those times and dates.

The next event is a coffee morning on Friday 21st October (with cakes) starting at 9.00am for an hour in the Atrium Cafe. This will be a further update and a re-run of the meeting this week to ensure everyone has a chance to attend at a time that suits them.

Thank you for supporting your school as always,

Neil

Homework Club

Here at North Walsham High School, Homework Club is back in full swing. So far, 61 students are using the free-of-charge drop in sessions running after school; 3-4pm, in C2. As homework club is at the end of the school day we provide drinks halfway through the club. We have monitors who help us run the club, like me. We carry out duties such as registering the students at the start of the session and making sure everyone has a drink.



Like last year we are running another fundraiser for The Matthew Project, this is to collect as many bottle tops as we can, and donate them to the charity. The Matthew Project is a charity that supports adults and young people in overcoming alcohol and drug issues.

Noah Webb, a Year 7 student who regularly attends homework club, has been helping us by decorating cardboard boxes that we will be using to collect bottle tops. When asked what made him want to help us with the collection he said

“I just like helping people, just by helping people it makes me feel nice.”

When we asked him what he likes about homework club, he said “It is a good place to concentrate and get homework done”

Written by Harrison Neave, Year 9 Student

Diary dates

Not to miss

12 October Year 6 Open Evening
6-8pm

18 October Year 11 Healthy Living & Relationships Day

20 October Year 10 Subject Consultation Evening

21 October Parents’ Forum Coffee Morning 9-10am (Atrium Cafe)

Exams

17 October Year 7 Core Exams Week (English, Maths & Science)

31 October to 11 November
Year 11 Mock Exams

Study

Study Support/ Revision

GCSE Art & Photography
Mondays 3 - 4pm A1 & A3

GCSE Food & Nutrition Tuesdays
3 - 4pm Food Suite

GCSE Design & Technology
Tuesdays 3 - 4pm C2

Year 11 FSMQ Tuesdays 3-4pm

Year 9 FSMQ Thursdays 3-4pm

BTEC Sport Fridays 3 - 4pm C2

Homework Club - all welcome

Every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 3 - 4pm, C2

Sports

PE Fixtures

Wednesday 12th October U13 & U15 Boys Football v Broadland (A)
3 - 6pm

Wednesday 12th October U13 & U15 Netball v Broadland (A) 3 - 6pm

Wednesday 19th October U14 Boys Football v Cromer (A) 3 - 5.30pm

Extra Curricular

After School Clubs

Music Tech Club Mondays 3 - 4pm

Netball Club Mondays 3 - 4pm

Rugby Training (Years 7, 8, 9 & 10) Mondays 3 - 4pm

Art Club Tuesdays 3 - 4pm, A1

War Hammer Club Tuesdays 3 - 4.30pm, A1

Dance Club Tuesdays 3 - 4pm

Gardening Club Wednesdays 3 - 4.30pm

Bumper crop for Gardening Club!

We had a bumper harvest of potatoes, corn cobs, radishes, courgettes, squash and onions. The beetroot and leeks are still growing and we are currently planting spring bulbs like crocuses and tulips around the school grounds. We hope the flowers will make a lovely display in the spring term. Our goal this year is to make a good leaf mulch to fertilise the veg and flower beds over winter. We have welcomed several new members and are always on the look out for members. All you need to join is a pair of gardening gloves, to be free on a Wednesday after school and not afraid of a little manual work.



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Open Evening
Wednesday 12th October 2016
6pm to 8pm

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This weeks Sports updates...

Well done to our Sports teams who played Fakenham yesterday. The U14 boys football team won their match 8-1. The U16 boys team lost 4-3. The girls U14 Netball team won their match 14-3.

You can keep a track on our sports results on our website.

<http://northwalshamhigh.norfolk.sch.uk/community/sports-results/>

Half Term dates
Monday 24th October
- Friday 28th October

Building ongoing links with Ghana

Mrs Gascoyne is helping to build an ongoing link between NWSH and a 'Street Academy' in Ghana, after she spent part of the school summer holidays helping out at the African school. Mrs Gascoyne travelled to the country's capital Accra to help out at the charity-run school, which provides a free education, daily meal and basic medical treatment for children who would otherwise be on the street.

She took over a backpack full of pencil cases for the children at the school, donated by NWSH students – and having seen first-hand the poverty and lack of facilities in Ghana, she is now hoping to build an ongoing connection between the two schools to provide continuing support.

"Nothing prepared me for the level of poverty and the lack of resources over there," said Mrs Gascoyne. "For many of the children and their families, finding enough to eat every day is a challenge, let alone providing the kind of educational resources that we take for granted. For more details please see our website.



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