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9<sup>th</sup> June 2023

#### Dear Parents/carers

And so the final term of the 2022/23 has begun! I hope you have all enjoyed the half term reset and enjoyed the sunshine. As I type this our year 10 students and a number of staff are taking part in their Silver Duke of Edinburgh expedition -they have been lucky with the weather and I look forward to hearing from them next week on their return to school.

Other messages for the week can be read below:

## Musical Showcase - 27th and 28th June 7pm

Rehearsals have been ongoing for weeks and it is exciting to see that tickets for the Musical Showcase are now on sale. These can be purchased from ParentPay. Adult tickets are £5 and student tickets are £3.50. The staff and students involved will be thrilled to perform their musical numbers in front of a live audience and given this is the first event of this kind this year, I am sure there will be lots of support for the performers. A show not to be missed!

### Year 11 Uniform expectations in exams

Students in year 11 are now well into the swing of the exam season. I would like to remind students that attendance at exams, and for any revision sessions in school, in term 6 does also require students to be in full uniform. Last term one student arrived in shorts and a T-shirt, clearly against expectations, and so was asked to go home to change. Clearly we would want to avoid such a rushed start to an exam for either the student concerned or to have the potential disruption for others with someone entering the exam after it has started. Thanks, in advance, for ensuring uniform and punctuality to exams continues for the remaining weeks of the exam season.

#### **Current Year 10 students and jumper expectations**

As happened this year, the plan for September is that year 11 students will be issued with their Leavers' Hoodies early in the next academic year. Parents may wish to take this into consideration when deciding whether the purchasing of a new normal school jumper is required ahead of September.

### Headlice

We have had a few reports of an outbreak of headlice amongst students. This seems particularly prevalent in Year 9 but please could all parents check their child's hair and take action where appropriate.

#### Year 7 Disco

The 6<sup>th</sup> Form Student Leadership Team are organising an end of year disco for Year 7 students. This will take place on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2023 starting at 6.00pm and finishing at 8.00pm. Tickets are £3.00 per child payable via ParentPay. The 6<sup>th</sup> Form students will be running the event, supported by staff, which will take place in the Auditorium.

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#### **Overdue Library Books**

In order to complete our summer stock take, the school library requires all library books to be returned to the library by Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June. Please can you encourage your child to return any books they have on loan by this date. Books can be handed into the library or dropped back at reception where there will be a box for returned library books.

Currently the school library has 344 overdue library books which we would like to have returned before the end of the school year. It would be really helpful to the library, if you could check at home to make sure there aren't any forgotten books hiding away.

**Finally**... as a reminder the Parent Forum meeting is planned for Monday 12<sup>th</sup> June at 10am. If any other parents/carers wish to attend or you have a topic that you wish to discuss please contact Annette Watts at <a href="Months:AWatts@nailseaschool.com">AWatts@nailseaschool.com</a>. I very much look forward to meeting with the group next week.

Take care and Be Kind

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Yours faithfully

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