



17th October 2025

Dear Parents/carers

It was great to welcome parents to our 'Settling In Evening' that took place between 4pm and 7pm yesterday. All students in years 7, 12 and 13 had the opportunity to discuss how the year has started with their tutors. In addition, for the first time this year, selected year 11 parents have also been contacted to discuss the first term and to look forward to future plans. These conversations are incredibly important, cementing the link between home and school – and where this link is successful, we know students thrive and progress the most. Year 11 and 13 students have their mock exams scheduled for the second to the third weeks of term 2 and I know they have been working hard on the 'Upload, Process, Download' revision strategy. As a reminder all key information about the strategy can be found here [Revision – Nailsea School](#)

Other messages for the week can be found below:

MCAS -Parent Drop In

Many thanks to the staff that ran the session this week for parents to drop in to resolve any issues with the new MCAS system. Please find attached a letter from the Wessex Learning Trust outlining the key reasons for the change.

Students walking to and from school

Further to some contact made with the school this week, if your child walks to and from school can I please ask that you remind them about other members of the public using pavements and walkways at the same time. Walking single file and behaving appropriately will ensure both students and local residents can use the pavements at the same time.

Last week of term

Unbelievably we are already approaching the last week of Term 1. Just because it is the last week of term we are not slowing down with the Y12 Lulworth Cove geography fieldtrip, Year 7 Poetry Performance, external speaker for Year 7 on Growth Mindset, Year 12 and 13 settling in evening, and the first organised sixth form social event of the year all taking place next week.



Finally... today is the last Friday of term for students with a reminder that Friday 24th October is an INSET day. Term will finish for students on Thursday 23rd October at 3 pm, with students returning at the usual time of 8:30am on Monday 3rd November. This will be a week one.

Have a lovely weekend



Dee Elliott,
Head teacher

