

# Head's Bulletin



Friday 20th September 2019

Wk 2: Wk Commencing 23rd September

## Term Dates 2019/20

### Term 1

Tues 3rd Sept—Fri  
25th Oct

### Term 2

Mon 4th Nov—Fri  
20th Dec

**INSET day 2: 22nd  
Nov**

### Term 3

Mon 6th Jan—Fri  
14th Feb

**INSET day 3: 14th Feb**

### Term 4

Mon 24th Feb—Fri  
3rd April

### Term 5

Tues 21st April —Fri  
22nd May

### Term 6

Mon 1st June —Fri  
17th July

## 60@Sixty Campaign is underway



It was fantastic to see so many of last year's year 11 and year 13 students and their families returning for our Presentation Evening last week. The guest speaker was ex student and West End star, Jo Parsons. His talk, detailing his perseverance in following his dream of becoming an actor was both humorous and touching. I am sure that the students and parents present would have taken away some key messages from his words. As Jo was School President at the time of the current building being designed he looked back fondly on the input the School Council had with the architects. Our school building opened ten years ago and this year the school is also acknowledging the 60th anniversary of the school by setting the aim of raising £60,000.

As I am sure you can appreciate we strive hard at Nailsea to provide a high standard of education and pastoral care for all of our students and families. Our vision is to ensure that every student leaves us as a well-rounded person, equipped for navigating the 21<sup>st</sup> century, be it for moving onto higher education, apprenticeships or the workplace. As many of you may be aware, schools across the country are also facing significant financial challenges. Funding per pupil, in real terms, has been reduced and the outlook continues to be challenging. We would like to continue to undertake projects to update and improve the facilities on offer for our students, and our 60@Sixty Challenge will enable us to do that. It would be fantastic to have parental support for our fundraising initiative to move forward with our plans to improve the school environment and the teaching and learning experiences that take place within it. The students at Nailsea deserve the best!

### How can you help?

- Support our events programme (on page 4)
- Make a donation in school or via ParentPay
- Volunteer your time
- Encourage your child to fundraise

There are a number of fundraising events planned across the year and it would be great to see as many parents and families as possible supporting us. The first of these events is scheduled for **Friday 4th October** and Nailsea and Backwell Rugby Club have kindly allowed us to use their venue. Please do check if you are available to come along for this Quiz Night, hosted by Mr Hellier and Mr Graffagnino. Enjoy the sunshine this weekend



**Mrs Elliott, Head teacher**

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## Keeping our Students Safe

Students at Nailsea are encouraged to speak to staff if they are worried or concerned about anything that is happening inside or outside of school. Parents can also contact any of the team, shown below. Our Safeguarding Team, **identified by the green staff lanyards they wear** are the members of staff that have had the highest level of training to deal with incidents as they arise. However, these are not the only people that students can speak with. In accordance with statutory guidelines our INSET day in September involved safeguarding training for every member of staff, teaching and support staff, that works at Nailsea School.

Parents are encouraged to contact their child's Head of House if they ever have any concerns or worries.



## Nailsea School Safeguarding Team Information



Senior Head of House  
Mr D Graffagnino



Designated Safeguarding Officer  
Miss L Cadwallader



SLT Safeguarding Lead  
Mr C Mawford



Safeguarding Governor  
Mrs J Hopkinson



Miss R Figures



Mr J Morris



Mrs N Shoesmith



Mr W Hellier



Mrs S Bannerman

Safeguarding Team at Nailsea School Non-urgent email contact address: [safeguardingteam@nailseaschool.com](mailto:safeguardingteam@nailseaschool.com)

### Reporting a Safeguarding Concern

If you are concerned in any way about a student's welfare or safety you  
**MUST** speak to a member of the Safeguarding Team

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## Key Dates Term 1

### **Thurs 26th Sept**

Open Evening, 6pm

Please note school  
starts at 9:40 am on Fri  
27th Sept

### **Sun 29th Sept**

Y8 Trip to Germany and  
France departs

### **Mon 30th Sept**

School Photos for years  
7, 9 and 11.

Erasmus Trip in Poland  
all week.

### **Tues 1st Oct**

Yr 12 Higher Education  
Evening

## House Contact Details

As mentioned last week, at Nailsea we are really keen to keep the lines of communication open between school and home. The Head of House is often the first point of contact. The details for each House Head are shown below:



**DRAGON HOUSE – Mr W Hellier**  
**MONDAY ASSEMBLY**  
[whellier@nailseaschool.com](mailto:whellier@nailseaschool.com)  
Extension: 2212



**GRIFFIN HOUSE - Mrs N Shoemith**  
**WEDNESDAY ASSEMBLY**  
[nshoemith@nailseaschool.com](mailto:nshoemith@nailseaschool.com)  
Extension: 2612



**PHOENIX HOUSE - Mr D Graffagnino**  
**FRIDAY ASSEMBLY**  
[dgraffagnino@nailseaschool.com](mailto:dgraffagnino@nailseaschool.com)  
Extension: 2112



**UNICORN HOUSE – Miss R Ffigures**  
**TUESDAY ASSEMBLY**  
[rfigures@nailseaschool.com](mailto:rfigures@nailseaschool.com)  
Extension: 2061

If in doubt, we would always advise parents to make contact with the school.  
Thanks for working with us in this positive way.

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## Reminders: absence and school car park

Parents/carers are expected to phone the school absence line (01275 850400) on each day that their child is absent, stating the reason(s) for the absence. Mrs Coles is our Attendance Officer.

In relation to sickness the expected protocol is that if a child is sick before noon on any given day, they must stay off at least 1 more full day. If the incident of sickness is after noon on any given day, they must stay off an additional 2 days.

Please also remember that parents should only be driving into the school car park to drop off students in exceptional circumstances. If there is a medical/physical reason for this need please contact the Heads of House where this can be noted. We do have students who have agreed permission to drop at the front of the school. There are school coaches and buses that drop students off in the morning and the increased traffic flow from parents dropping students in their cars does cause an issue.

Thank you for ensuring that the safety of our students continues to be our prime focus.



Fundraiser for  
the Nailsea School  
60@Sixty Campaign

**FRIDAY 4 OCTOBER**  
**QUIZ STARTS 8pm**  
BAR OPEN / ARRIVAL FROM 7.30pm

Kindly hosted by  
**Nailsea & Backwell RFC**  
West End Park West End Lane NAILSEA BS48 4BY

**£10 per Team/Table**  
**Maximum 4 People per Team**

LIMITED NUMBER OF TABLES AVAILABLE

Please book your table with Will Hellier at Nailsea School  
Tel: 01275 852251 Email: [whellier@nailseaschool.com](mailto:whellier@nailseaschool.com)  
£10 will be required to secure your booking - contact the above to arrange payment

**RAFFLE ON THE NIGHT**  
Get your team together, book a table and join in

## Other 60@Sixty Events planned for Terms 1 and 2



### Friday 18th Oct—Musical Bingo

PTA event being held at Nailsea School, 7pm onwards.  
Tickets (£5per person) available from reception or [nail-seapta@nailseaschool.com](mailto:nail-seapta@nailseaschool.com)

### Friday 29th November—Cinema Night

Details to follow

### During term 2—Nailsea 2020 calendar

A calendar made by the school, featuring staff and students to help you remember all those important dates for 2020—a great present idea!

### Sunday 15th December—Rudolph Run

A great way to clear out cobwebs and raise money whilst running and getting some exercise in ahead of the Christmas and New Year excess!

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