



6th January 2023

Dear Parents/carers

A new year often means that people turn to ideas of a new start and this can have a number of meanings. As ever, at Nailsea, a new term means a fresh beginning for all and I look forward to learning about the successes of both students and staff in the coming weeks. January is also a time when we welcome new members of staff to #TeamNailsea, many of whom students and parents will be meeting over the coming days and weeks. I would like to formally welcome the following to the school:

- Mr Jason Kirwan joins as Head of the Enterprise Faculty, overseeing the Design Technology, ICT and Business Studies departments.
- Mrs Laura Case joins as a teacher of Music as well as temporarily overseeing the Music department.
- Mr Ewan Turner joins the History department for the remainder of this academic year.
- Mrs Gayle Bennett joins us as our Careers and Employability Coordinator
- Mrs Charis Mailey joins us as a Pastoral Mentor
- Mrs Claire Chambers joins us as our new Data Manager.
- Mrs Michelle Darby-Charles and Miss Zoe Stephens join the SEN team.

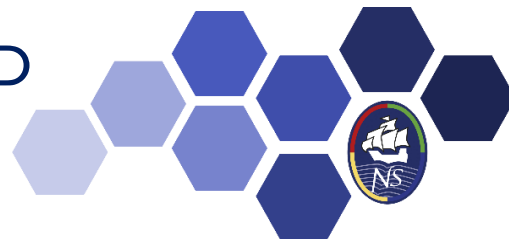
Other messages for the week can be read below:

Yr 11 Period 6 timetable

Students in year 11, having received their mock results just before Christmas, will be returning to lessons with renewed focus this term. As was mentioned to the students there are 16 weeks of lessons remaining before external exams begin.

As well as the targeted teaching in lessons, period 6 sessions (3pm – 4pm) will be continuing to run this term. For reference the days for each subject across the two week period are shown below:

Week 1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Week 1	Expressive Arts	Humanities	Maths (priority) English/Drama	Science
Week 2	Tech, Bus, IT Health	Languages	English/Drama (priority) Maths	Science PE (priority)



Term Dates 2023/24

Term dates and INSET days have been decided for next academic year, September 2023 – July 2024. These can be accessed through the school website and found here [Diary Dates – Nailsea School](#)

Finally.... it has been a shorter but busy week back. It has been great to see students and staff returning and being so positive. This is a shorter term and from experience I know the remaining five weeks will fly by. As ever, please don't hesitate to contact the school if you have any concerns or queries.

Take care and be kind

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D Elliott', written over a light blue rectangular background.

Mrs Dee Elliott

Head teacher

