



A Message from the Head

Welcome students and families to the 2023-2024 academic year! It has been fantastic to see so many happy and enthusiastic faces brighten up the corridors during the first few weeks of school. Our Year 7 cohort are now a fully-fledged part of Team Nailsea. They have mostly mastered the school building and routines and are making a great impression. This was evidenced at our Open Evening where they played host to a record number of visitors, proudly showing off their new school and revelling in their new ways of learning.



Year 8s and 9s have made a good start and it is great to hear of them doing well in their lessons and joining in with the extra-curricular activities both in and out of school. These activities are an important part of their development as rounded individuals and we are enjoying hearing about their successes both in and out of the classroom.

I can speak from first hand experience of teaching two groups that our Year 10s have settled in well to the rigours of their GCSE and other qualifying courses. Hopefully parents enjoyed the 'Prep for Success' evening and found the information helpful. The first few terms of Year 10 can feel a little daunting as the pace quickens. However, Year 10 provides an important foundation to their exam courses, so setting up good routines now is an excellent way to ensure future success.

Year 11 parents were also invited to join us for their 'Prep for Success' event – we talked about managing workload, how to revise successfully, mock exams and attendance. The Year 11s are working hard now towards exam success, and it has been reassuring to see so many of them taking up the additional resources offered to them – with many of the optional lesson 6 opportunities being full.

As ever, our primary purpose is to meet the needs of all our students and provide them with a safe and supportive environment in which they can learn and grow into intelligent, responsible, reflective, caring young people.

Wishing all our families a relaxing half term break

Mrs Elliott
Headteacher

Governors Update

As the first term of our new school year ends, the Governors are delighted to see the school busy with extra-curricular activities, trips, lectures and initiatives. We welcome all our new Year 7 families and hope students are settling in well to their new setting, ready to get the most out of the many opportunities on offer at Nailsea School.



It was wonderful to see the success of our Open Evening, welcoming prospective students and their families, and to see the fantastic reactions to our school from comments on the night and on social media. The Governors were very proud to see how many students volunteered to showcase the school on the evening.

We have been continuing to meet for our Governor meetings and coming into school for visits, working within the governing structure of the Wessex Learning Trust. Our new Chair of Governors, Sue Renny has been busy with the governors setting our priorities for school improvement.

Dr Jo Edwards
Parent Governor

Sixth Form Round-Up



As a Sixth Form leadership team, we have been incredibly impressed with how quickly our new Year 12 cohort have settled into Post 16 life. We are keen to acknowledge that this successful start has been influenced by the excellent learning behaviours demonstrated on a daily basis by our Year 13 students.

This has been further supported by the introduction of our new Supervised Study room, where students can focus on completing work set by their teachers or extending their knowledge beyond the curriculum through our Aim Higher booklets.

We look forward to what Term 2 will bring, including the announcement of our new Year 12 Prefects, application forms being sent to UCAS, the Year 13 mock exam series and our Sixth Form Open Evening.

Mr Truan - Head of Sixth Form

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University and Apprenticeship Support

Year 13 students considering applying for a higher, advanced or degree-level apprenticeships attended Ashton Gate last week for the National Apprenticeship Show. They had the opportunity to talk to a range of large employers, from law firms to companies within hospitality.

This was followed by Year 12 students, who are currently exploring all Post 18 pathways in tutor time, attending the National University and Apprenticeship Fair at the same venue, where they spoke to universities and employers from across the country, as well as listening to guest speakers offering advice and guidance.

The Right Mindset

Year 12 and 13 students were fortunate to welcome Jermaine Harris, a motivational speaker who came into school to deliver a workshop.

He inspired students through real-life stories requiring dedication and hard-work, embedded psychology research and finalising ended up showing them that anything is possible - walking on broken glass!

Thank you to the PTA for supporting our growth mindset journeys by funding some of this workshop.



Sixth Form Social

Over 100 of our Year 12 and Year 13 students spent a couple of hours jumping over obstacles, racing around inflatables and flying down death slides at Puxton Park soft play for our first Sixth Form social event of the year.

It was lovely to see the students forget about their studies and celebrate the end of an incredibly successful term.

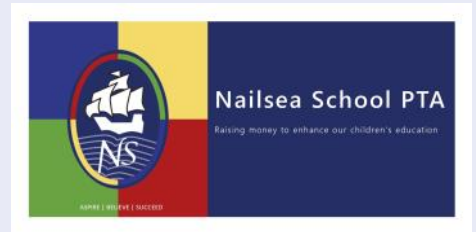
Wishes Granted

Each term we offer the opportunity for staff and students to submit an application for funding. At our PTA meeting we review the applications and discuss what we have funds for and where best to put the money we have raised.

We are pleased to say that this term we have funded £2,398 worth of departmental 'Wishlist' items for Science, Enterprise, Exams, Geography, Chess Club, Sixth Form, Maths, Reading & Pastoral

Shout out!

A BIG shoutout to Impact IT Solutions (www.impactitsolutions.co.uk) who on behalf of the PTA have donated free of charge this term 18 nearly new 24" monitors for the school.



Join us for a fabulous and fun...

QUIZ NIGHT

Friday 3rd November
7:00pm at Nailsea School

Grab your friends, family, and colleagues in teams of up to 6 people max. Let us know your team's name and join us for a fun filled night!

- ◆ Bar and snacks available
- ◆ Raffle tickets available to purchase
- ◆ Tickets available via ParentPay or by emailing nailseapta@nailseaschool.com

£6 per person
Tickets must be bought prior to the event

Prize for the winning team!

Quiz Night

Please join us for a fantastic quiz night on Fri 3rd Nov, 7pm for a 7.30 start at Nailsea School. Grab you family, friends and make up a team, tickets are just £6 per person and are available via ParentPay or by emailing the PTA at nailseapta@nailseschool.com

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Save the Date—Coming Soon!

Christmas Tree collection (Pre-ordered) – 2nd Dec

Christmas Wreath making – 2nd Dec

Welcome Along

Please join us at our AGM on Wed 8th Nov, 7pm at Nailsea school. We are a very friendly bunch and always welcome new faces to join our team. We meet once a term and organise 4 events a year and are always on the lookout for new volunteers to either join our committee or offer us one-off help at our events, depending on what time you're able to commit.

If you're interested in offering event help or are able to bake cakes for our termly cake sale please drop us a line..

Second Hand Uniform Sales

All prices of our second-hand uniform are available on our webpage www.nailseaschool.com/our-team/our-pta. If you require any uniform, please email the PTA at nailseapta@nailseaschool.com, detailing what items and sizes you would like, and we will be in touch. You can also contact us via our Facebook page

Stay in Touch

Follow us on FB at www.facebook.com/groups/NailseaPTA for up-to-date information about our events.

KS3 Overview of English

Year 7:

This term we've dabbled in a range of poetry from Ted Hughes to Robert Frost, exploring how poets are experts in choosing the *best words* to create meaning in their poetry. Inspired by these fantastic poets, we've then explored how we can apply everything we've learnt by crafting our own poems. Finally at the end of the term, each class has turned their focus to a poetry performance, where we've explored how poetry can come alive and become more than just words on a page.

Year 8:

The year has started with a focus on short fiction as we've looked at classic stories from Maupassant to Kate Chopin. We've explored how these masters of short narratives use plot twists and foreshadowing to take their readers on a fascinating – and at times shocking – journey through the short story form. From a lost necklace to a train journey gone wrong, these are stories that are not easily forgotten.

Year 9:

We've started the year looking at the classic American novel, 'Of Mice and Men'. We've stepped into the shoes of migrant workers in 1930s America as they try to navigate the devastating backdrop of the Great Depression. A story of companionship, loneliness, racism and struggle, we've honed our skills of exploring character development and context.

Ms Jacobs

Head of Faculty



An Update from the Library

Guided Reading Art

Years 7 and 8 have designed front covers for their Guided Reading Journals at the start of term, and there have been some impressive artwork designs. During guided reading students read silently, discuss their books with each other and the teacher and then, study a specific genre which at the moment is Action & Adventure.

Autumn Reads

Nailsea School Library have had some exciting new additions to the library this Autumn term which include the popular Karen McManus, author of 'One of us is Lying' and a full set of the 'Ultimate Football Heroes'.

Graphic Novel and Manga Club re-launch

Thursday 5th October saw the re-launch of an ever popular genre, Graphic novel and Manga. The theme in October is 'Witches and Magic', where students will be reading and reviewing 'Witches of Brooklyn' by Sophie Escabasse, we also started our Manga drawing.



Mrs Conner

Librarian

Year 13 Health and Social Care

Children’s Hospice South West welcomed our Year 13 Health and Social Care last week, providing them with a truly inspiring visit. Within the classroom, students have been learning about a range of primary, secondary and tertiary settings, alongside how the public, private and voluntary health and social care sectors are structured. CHSW helped our students to apply this learning, through discussing the different roles within the hospice and how they are funded.

The Children’s Hospice South West almost exclusively relies on fundraising, requiring £15 million a year to run this incredible organisation. Through touring the hospice, students learned about the positive, inspiring and life-impacting roles that the staff carry out – from hydrotherapy, music therapy, adapting dietary requirements to all children’s needs, and sadly to the end of life care they provide and support provided to the whole family.

The inclusive nature of the hospice was evident everywhere you looked – from consideration in supporting individuals from a range of faiths to the physical support for all medical needs. Students (and staff) left feeling inspired by the work that CHSW do, and are incredibly grateful for the opportunity to visit the hospice. I am sure that the hospice will see many of our students again in the future, as they enter the Health and Social Care sector.

Year 13 students are now planning a fundraising event to support CHSW – watch this space. In the meantime, you can support them by signing up for their Santa run on 3rd December!

<https://www.chsw.org.uk/event/santas-run-north-somerset-2023>

Mrs Macleod

Head of Department



Irish Dancing Success At Worlds!

Congratulations to Year 10 student Poppy—a Phoenix student who successfully competed in the World Championships Irish Dancing Competition held in Folkestone this term.

Poppy had a huge success gaining two second places & a third for age group and category. From here she went on to win the world championship . Such an incredible achievement, and a real sign of Poppy’s hard work and dedication.

Poppy’s next step is to go on to dance in a higher category, we wish Poppy well with her next ambition, and send her huge congratulations on her fantastic achievement so far.



Dressage Cup Win!

Congratulations to Griffin House student Eloise who was awarded the dressage cup for representing her club at area Regional Championship at the Western Harriers Pony club, gaining 2nd place in the area & team qualifying competition.

This achievement is based on vast amounts of testing, hard work an hours of work- a real labour of love!

Eloise and Loki, her horse also qualified for a Dressage summer series championship at the end of September at a local equestrian centre.

Congratulations on your success, keep aiming high!



Music Department News

Music Clubs

After the success of our summer concert, the music department have been excited to start up our music clubs again this term. Our choir meets on a Wednesday lunchtime, and have been singing a brilliant version of 'Hold Back The River'. Jazz band have tackled the standard 'On the Sunny Side of the Street' as well as 'Knock On Wood', and orchestra have been playing the singalong classic 'Can't Take My Eyes Off You'. Guitar club and wind band have also made a strong start, playing a range of pieces. We are also happy to see lots of new students taking up individual music lessons this year. If students would like to join a club, see the extra curricular brochure and come and give one a try - all welcome!

Lesson Time

Meanwhile, in lessons, Year 7 have been exploring rhythm and are working on rhythmic performances using percussion instruments in groups. Year 8 have started to create their own pieces of dance music using music technology, and Year 9 have been learning a variety of band instruments, including guitar, bass and drums, and are working towards forming groups in the classroom and competing into a year group wide 'battle of the bands'.

Instruments

With the help of generous donations last term as well as help from the PTA, we are continuing to build our collection of instruments for students to learn in lessons. If you have an instrument that you are no longer using and would like to donate, please do let us know! In particular we are looking for bass guitars, guitars and drum kits.

Next term will see the music department start preparing for our big Christmas concerts - watch this space, more info coming soon!

Mr Pate

Head of Department



Lulworth Cove Trip

On Tuesday 10th October, Year 12 visited Lulworth Cove for a Geography trip. It was a thrilling and exciting opportunity for all students involved, and we got to carry out a variety of different fieldwork. Whilst there, we were able to experience the beautiful landforms such as caves, arches, stacks and stumps as well as viewing the famous world heritage site of Lulworth Cove and the Lulworth Crumple.



An example of the fieldwork we carried out includes Cliff Instability Susceptibility Assessments in which we assessed different geological and lithological aspects of different cliffs. As well as this, we carried out some work on the beach where we used clinometers (a device that measures incline) to measure the beach profile and used ranging poles and rulers in order to measure the size of pebbles at different points on the beach.



As someone who was lucky enough to experience this trip myself, I would definitely say that it was a very enlightening and memorable one that helped to further my understanding of the subject, and I would definitely recommend this to other students in the future.



William D

Year 12 Student

Science Update

Welcome back to science. Here's what we have had going on for this term:

STEM club with Mr Bradley on Wednesday's after school.

Period 6 for Year 11 - all welcome, we will be on hand to guide you through specific calculations and recap core knowledge to prepare for your mocks.

The programme for Term 1 so far has covered

Monday 9th October - Biology with Miss Barron-Smith.

Monday 16th October - Chemistry update with Mr Early.

Mr Smith has organised to take Year 10 to Hinkley Point to visit the new Nuclear Power Station. We are in the process of organising a second date for this trip which we are hoping will take place in term 2.

Finally, if anyone is travelling to Wales over the half-term or just fancies a science themed day out, Swansea Science festival takes place on 28-29th October.

Details here <https://www.swansea.ac.uk/swansea-science-festival/bookable-events/>

Mrs Evry

Head of Faculty

An Update from PE

Congratulations to all our students for a fantastic start to the new school year in PE! It's wonderful to see high attendance at sports clubs and our new students settling in so well. Your focus and determination in lessons is truly commendable. Keep up the great work!

To date we are aware of the following students achievements both in and out of school.

Congratulations to

- Lucy P Year 10 who was recently successful in joining Bridgewater Football Academy
- Emily P Year 8 who has recently been selected for the Somerset FA U14's squad for the 23/24 season and is also training at the future Lionesses Goalkeeping Centre
- Beau B Year 10 who has attend U15 England trials
- Niamh A, Year 10, who recently represented the South-West in the Interregional Trampoline final, coming 13th in the UK.
- Year 11 Male football team convincingly beating Millfield 5-0 in the first round of the English Schools Cup.

Miss Wild

Head of Faculty

Maths Department News

Year 7

It has been great to see Year 7 students tackling their problem-solving starters and thinking about the number work in the first unit of work. Unit 1 is full of deeper thinking activities linked to adding, subtracting, place value and decimals and will move onto the topics requiring similar thinking e.g. perimeter, median and interquartile range.

Year 8

Year 8 students have been working on the surface area and volume unit. Their circle and other area knowledge have been put to good use in 'A party for the King' task, where students needed to be creative in minimising waste when designing a tray for their cakes. The painted cubes investigation also got them linking topics, spotting patterns and justifying their findings.

Year 9

Having started the GCSE syllabus, the Year 9 students have combined their indices and decimal knowledge to understand how numbers can be written in standard form. This allows students to be able to work with very large and small numbers. It is great to see students combining subject knowledge from various topics to work at a higher order of mathematical thinking and application.

Year 10

Year 10 students continue to build on their subject knowledge by studying topics within the space and shape or probability sections of work. The recap starters and homework have also required them to revisit previous topics that they have studied. We are always thinking of ways for them to extend their knowledge within a topic e.g. looking at more complex shapes, probability problems that require algebra or working backwards from an answer to calculate a missing value.

Year 11

It has been amazing to see the number of Year 11 students that have been attending the afterschool Period 6 maths sessions. During these sessions students are working on homework recap topics and the topics that are coming up in their maths mock exam early on in Term 2, the atmosphere is relaxed, and students are working well with their peers. The new content in lessons is moving towards the more demanding topics. Rearranging formulae, simultaneous equations and circle theorems are currently amongst these topics, and students appear to be rising to the challenge and persevering when things are not so straight forward to understand.

Year 12

Year 12 Mathematicians have been building on their quadratic and algebra skills to be able to apply this knowledge at a higher level and include these topics within new content. All lessons require a lot of work to be completed outside of the classroom to master the application of the knowledge and mathematical methods. Developing this independent way of working is key to being successful at A level. The Year 12 Further mathematicians are currently studying matrices and its application to solving simultaneous equations and transforming shapes.

Year 13

Year 13 maths students are building on their topic knowledge from Year 12. A test to review areas of weakness from their end of Year 12 assessments has been a focus along with core maths topics such as series, graph functions and vectors. The further mathematicians have just moved on to a Mechanics topic which, alongside their algorithms work in Decision has been a breath of fresh air after the initial A2 complex number work with its different applications of de Moivre's theorem.

Good luck to the students completing the senior maths UKMT Challenge.

Keep going and don't forget the weekly after school support sessions for all year groups.

Mrs Coates
Head of Faculty

What's been going History - Term 1



Year 7 History



In Year 7 History, our young historians are off to a fantastic start as they dive into the exciting world of 1066! They've been donning their thinking caps to decide who should wear the crown, carefully weighing the pros and cons of each contender. Some creative minds have even whipped up campaign posters for their favorite candidates. It's a royal rumble of epic proportions! In the last two weeks of term 1 we will be visiting Chepstow Castle for Year 7 to continue their time traveling journey!



Summer Term 2023 reflection on Battlefields trip

Last term, our Year 9 students embarked on a profound journey to the Battlefields of Belgium and Northern France, a trip that left an indelible mark on all who attended. As we ventured through history, we visited poignant sites like the Wellington Tunnels, Hill 62, and the Passchendaele Museum, each step a reminder of the sacrifices made.

However, it was our visit to the Thiepval Memorial to the Missing that truly touched our hearts. With a bagpipe's mournful melody, we laid a wreath to honor those who never returned. The weight of history and loss pressed upon us, but we found strength in unity.



At the Menin Gate Last Post Ceremony, two of our students courageously laid a wreath as part of the service. Their solemn act epitomized the respect and empathy that radiated from our entire group.

In a deeply personal connection to this history, some students discovered ties to the past. Evan's first cousin, four times removed, perished during the Battle of Lys, resting eternally at Voormezele. Oliver and William became the first in their family to visit their Great, Great Grandfather's grave in Mont Noir Cemetery, a poignant pilgrimage ending just days before the war's close.



This trip, filled with reflection and reverence, has left an enduring impact on our students. It reminds us that history lives within us, and the sacrifices of the past continue to shape our present and future. We carry these experiences with us as we strive to be compassionate, informed, and empathetic global citizens.

The battlefields trip will run again for Year 9 in summer 2024.

Mrs Nicholson

Head of Department



Year 7s Go Dotty!

Year 7 have made a great start to their art lessons and have excelled themselves with their recent homework.

In lessons we read 'The Dot' by Peter Reynolds and students created 'dot' home works as a response. In the story a student called Vashti gains confidence in art by exploring dots and mark making.

The results are proudly on display in the art department.

Keep up this great effort Year 7!

Ms Davies

Head of Faculty



Media and Film News

GCSE and Sixth Form students have settled brilliantly back into the academic demands of Media and Film and have already engaged in some enlightening debates. An analysis into critic reviews of Barbie ignited their opinions, with students divided on how inspirational they felt the film to be.

Year 10 Media students have been learning about codes and conventions and have produced some excellent responses on the Wiz Khalifa magazine cover.

Media students in Year 11 have been introduced to the original Doctor Who from the 1960s. Much amusement was had over the Tardis and the effects at this time.

In Film Studies Year 12 students have explored how Hitchcock created tension in his most famous scene from 'Psycho' whilst Year 10 students discussed how sound created emotions in Toy Story.

Miss Britton

Head of Department

Post 16 Language Ambassadors

I chose to become a languages ambassador due to my passion for languages. The teachers and languages ambassadors were very supportive throughout my GCSEs, so I would like to do the same for the younger years. I am currently assisting a Year 10 French class who have started their GCSE course recently. I help the students with different tasks such as reading and writing.

Brittany P

Year 12 Student

I have a passion for learning languages. I am currently helping two Year 11 Spanish classes with speaking practise in preparation for their November mocks, which is helping me solidify my Spanish basics while I do it as an A level. At GCSE I did both Spanish and French and enjoyed them equally, and found that the MFL teachers were very helpful along the way, and kept me from blurring the lines between the two subjects.

Cheuk Yin P

Year 12 Student

HOUSE NEWS

It's been a busy start to the year for our House Captains, as they helped to manage the student led tours on Open Evening, pairing up over 600 guests with our students to give guided tours of our fantastic school.

They've been helping our Year 7s settle in - and Phoenix House have been piloting a scheme, where a number of year 7s meet each week with the House Captains in their tutor time to talk over any concerns and play card games such as Uno. It has been a real success and a great opportunity for the year 7s to get to know their House Captains and feel the benefit of the vertical house system.

Next term sees the Student Council progress with the 8th November meeting discussing the 'hot topics' put forward by the newly elected Tutor reps. Term 2 will also see the first of the House led charity days—when Dragon launch their fundraiser. Watch this space!



House Captains: Edwina & Peter



House Captains: Eduard & Jilma



House Captains: Milla & Edith



Vice-Captain: Billy



House Captains: Vicky & Edward



Vice-Captain: Hector

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YEAR 7

- ★ Mrs Wheeler in Enterprise is awarding 'star status' to Cherry-Rose H in Year 7, for going above and beyond and making her 60s inspired top at home.
- ★ Mrs Ruty in English / Drama is really impressed with Toby B in Year 7, for having a brilliant start to the year. Full of great ideas.
- ★ Mrs Case in Expressive Arts is really impressed with Elliot W in Year 7, for having a brilliant start to year 7. Your contributions to class discussions and wider musical knowledge is brilliant.
- ★ Miss Tanner in Health is really impressed with Leyla M in Year 7, for her brilliant start to gymnastics, demonstrating a wide range of skills.
- ★ Mr Jones in Humanities is really impressed with Will M in Year 7, for contribution to class discussions and being a leading member of the class.
- ★ Miss Rigby in Maths is awarding 'star status' to Tilda E in Year 7, for always doing her best in every lesson.
- ★ Mrs Case in Music is really impressed with Samson J in Year 7, for excellent participation, engagement and enthusiasm in music lessons.
- ★ Mr Paillier in MFL gives a big shout out to Riley H in Year 7, for always helping to tidy away resources at the end of lessons. ¡Muchas gracias!
- ★ Mrs Brewster in Science is really impressed with Cherry-Rose in Year 7, always aiming higher.
- ★ Dr Pierpoint in Science is giving star-status to Eloise T in Year 7, for having an excellent start to Y7 Science.

YEAR 8

- ★ Mrs Wisby in English / Drama gives a big shout out to Em W in Year 8, for an amazing start to Year 8 English. Your contributions in class are fantastic.
- ★ Mr Pate in Expressive Arts is really impressed with Reece C in Year 8, for some amazing keyboard work, being really motivated to play the riff and chords from "Blinding Lights".
- ★ Miss Wild in Health is awarding 'star status' to Martha C in Year 8, for awesome work in netball so far. The best performer for passing and driving into space.

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- ★ Mr Jones in Humanities gives a big shout out to Arlo R in Year 8, for excellent extended writing.
- ★ Mrs T Davies in Humanities is awarding 'star status' to Arlo Reid in Year 8, for consistently providing excellent spoken and written work in each lesson.
- ★ Mrs Mason in Maths is nominating Layla H in Year 8, for her excellent performance in maths so far this year.
- ★ Mrs Case in Music is awarding 'star status' to Xanthe S in Year 8, for commitment to learning and always doing your best in every lesson.
- ★ Mr Bennetts in MFL is awarding 'star status' to Xanthe in Year 8, for always trying her hardest and wanting to improve.

YEAR 9

- ★ Mrs Price in Enterprise is awarding 'star status' to James C in Year 9, for going above and beyond in your CAD lessons learning to use Fusion 360 and sharing your learning with other students. Well done.
- ★ Miss Creswick in English / Drama says you are a star Anissa W in Year 9, for an amazing start to Year 9 English. You are a really kind and supportive classmate.
- ★ Ms Hancock-Martin in Expressive Arts gives a big shout out to Tobias K in Year 9, for excellent homework and classwork in art this year.
- ★ Miss Tanner in Health gives a big shout out to Aoife M in Year 9, for showing great understanding of badminton whilst umpiring.
- ★ Mr Jones in Humanities is giving star-status to Tymofi S in Year 9, for determination and resilience in class.
- ★ Mrs T Davies in Humanities is really impressed with Jack G- S in Year 9, for going above and beyond with his answers in Critical Thinking lessons.
- ★ Mrs Groves in Maths is giving star-status to Toto P in Year 9, for his amazing contribution to Open Evening in Maths.
- ★ Mrs Case in Music is awarding 'star status' to Amelia J in Year 9, for a great start to Year 9. You are a really kind and supportive classmate who is always ready to learn.
- ★ Mrs O'Reilly in MFL is awarding 'star status' to Kathryn M in Year 9, for excellent participation, engagement and effort in Spanish lessons.
- ★ The Science department is awarding 'star status' to Rohan P in Year 9, for being a fabulous ambassador for science at the Open Evening.

YEAR 10

- ★ Mrs Price in Enterprise is really impressed with Evan W in Year 10, for a fantastic start in GCSE Food and Nutrition lessons and for always taking the Aim Higher challenge.
- ★ Ms Jacobs in English / Drama is giving star-status to Esme S in Year 10, for fantastic work in her Unseen Poetry assessment.
- ★ Miss Britton in Expressive Arts is really impressed with Jubilee J in Year 10, for excellent engagement in Media lessons.
- ★ Mrs Macleod in Health gives a big shout out to Peter C in Year 10, for exceptional engagement and involvement in discussion in Health and Social Care.

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- ★ Mr Howard in Humanities gives a big shout out to Florence N in Year 10, for making an excellent start to life in GCSE - RS and taking pride in her work.
- ★ Mrs Sutherland in Maths is really impressed with Bertie E in Year 10, for his commitment to learning.
- ★ Mrs Mason in Maths is giving star-status to Daisy B in Year 10, for her determination in Maths.
- ★ Mr Paillier in MFL gives a big shout out to Emily H in Year 10, for excellent participation, engagement and effort in Spanish lessons.
- ★ Mr Burgess in Science is really impressed with Peter C in Year 10, for having an awesome start to Y10 science. He has come in with an excellent attitude and is so enthusiastic. Keep it up!

YEAR 11

- ★ Mrs Jones in English / Drama gives a big shout out to Tom F in Year 11, for going above and beyond with his revision.
- ★ Ms Davies in Expressive Arts is awarding 'star status' to Phoebe S in Year 11, for an outstanding and independent approach to learning in 3D Art.
- ★ Mrs Gardiner in Health is really impressed with Ashleigh S in Year 11, for her effort and determination in Health and Social care this year so far.
- ★ Mr Howard in Humanities is awarding 'star status' to Peter B in Year 11, for contribution to class discussions and demonstrating excellence in writing.
- ★ Mrs Groves in Maths is really impressed with Jamie-Ann C in Year 11, for a new found determination in Maths.
- ★ Mrs Sutherland in Maths is giving Kaique in Year 11, for a great start in Maths at Nailsea School.
- ★ Miss Cahill in MFL commends Elsie F, Eliza L and Lucy P in Year 11, for attending a lunchtime P6 to practise for speaking mock exam.
- ★ Mr Bradley in Science is awarding 'star status' to Freya N in Year 11, for excellent effort and progress in physics.

SIXTH FORM

- ★ Miss Wild in 6th Form is giving star-status to Zharyn E in Year 12, for catching up with the work for unit 1 to a high level.
- ★ Ms Davies in 6th Form gives a big shout out to Faith R in Year 12, for always showing kindness and consideration to others in the class.
- ★ The Science department gives a big shout out to Amy B in Year 13, for keeping the flame tests under control at open evening and being a fantastic ambassador for the school!
- ★ Miss Cahill in 6th Form commends Lily BJ in Year 13, for commitment to learning (excellent La Haine essay).
- ★ Mrs Macleod in 6th Form was so impressed with Tom E in Year 13, for exceptional wider reading and analysis, and consistently going above and beyond with enrichment and super-curricular activities, as evident in his UCAS application.
- ★ Ms Davies in 6th Form is really impressed with Jemima P in Year 13, for commitment to learning, and for always thinking expansively and creatively.