



NEWPORT NEWS

A weekly update from NGHS

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Just a short introduction from me this week. Our internal assessment week has gone very smoothly and I must congratulate all our students on their approach. We have seen quite a lot of anxiousness in Year 10 and I appreciate this year group haven't sat formal assessments like this since Year 7 but it's important to build their resilience and I hope they have felt at greater ease as the week has progressed. If any mistakes have been made (such as answering the wrong question or forgetting a formula), now is the time to make errors and ideally not in Year 11! This is why we do formal assessments. I hope everyone has an enjoyable and well-deserved rest from revision and school work this weekend.

Also this week we have said farewell to our Year 13s who had a lovely day in school yesterday. They created their own version of Newport News, which was great to read and contained many memories of their time

here, as well as a few "in-jokes", which were, in the main, witty and clever. I would echo their thanks to all the staff who have taught and tutored this great cohort over the past seven years. I am sure the year group will achieve wonderful things in the future! On Tuesday, Year 11 started their study leave and we hope that they are working well at home. They are a lovely year group and have stuck together throughout the pandemic. It's been nice to see some of them come into school to work in the latter part of this week, and they are always welcome to do this - the Centenary Hall is available just for them.

There are just two weeks to go until half term (a short half term indeed) but there are some nice activities happening including a trip to see *Shrek the Musical* next Thursday. House-wise, House Drama is underway and Sports Day is fast approaching!

Best wishes for the weekend,

Mr M J Scott



Design the student planner 2022/23 competition!



Brief: Respect, Friendship and Positivity

- This year's brief for the design of the school planner has been inspired by the student ethos and values.
- Your submission **must be digital** and sent as a **PDF/PNG with a transparent background** (if you need help with this, see Miss Holmes)
- The cover can be a sleek design, piece of digital artwork (e.g. painting, graphics etc) or illustration.

All entries must go to Miss Holmes – a.holmes@nghs.org.uk

Deadline: Wednesday 25th May 2022

Good luck! We're excited to see what you design/create! 😊

We are also accepting entries for the Staff Planner cover! The same deadline applies.



A LIVING STREETS CAMPAIGN

Do you live in Newport?

If so, why not try "Walk to School Week?"

Next week (16-20 May) is Walk to School Week and this year's campaign focuses on the benefits of walking for individuals. Over the past two decades, the number of children who walk to school nationally has dropped significantly. We know that for some of our students it would not be possible for them to walk to school, however, we continue to encourage those that can to do so especially as the weather becomes better.

Please Note
Next week's
timetable is
Week B



Herzlich *Willkommen!*



This week marks week 3 for Azize and Jessica, our teaching assistants from Germany. Since arriving here on Monday 25 April, they have settled in really well and are working with students in the MFL department, helping them to improve their confidence in speaking German, which has been well received by students in all classes.

Azize and Jessica are enjoying their time here, having received such a warm welcome by students and staff alike. Thank you everybody for making this such a nice experience for both of them! And a special thank you to Evie D and Sarah F and their families for having opened their homes to Azize and Jessica, and to two other NGHS families who had also kindly offered Azize and Jessica to stay with them.

We have always been lucky with regards to members of our school community offering the foreign students to stay with them. This does make such a difference to the students' experience and being part of a family makes any stay in a foreign country so much more enjoyable and easier! Thank you again for your continued support.

Miss A Rosbach, MFL Department



Head Girl Team Highlights...

This week at NGHS...



Congratulations to Years 7-10 and Year 12's on getting through the Internal Assessment Week – I hope everyone's hard work has paid off. It is also the annual 'Mental Health Awareness Week' so I thought this would be a useful opportunity for us all to remember the importance of focusing on our wellbeing, have a break from studying and share some valuable advice:

- Try and keep up with hobbies and extra-curricular activities as these provide an important balance alongside studies
- Ensure you are getting enough sleep as this contributes to your overall wellbeing
- Check in with your friends as we all are likely to be experiencing similar worries or thoughts about exams
- Recognise that a change of scene or a change of pace is good for your mental health.
- Staff are here to support us through exams, so do ask if you need any help or feel overwhelmed.

Wishing you all a very well-deserved relaxing weekend and good luck to all of our Year 11 and Year 13 students on their upcoming exams. It was lovely to see them all in their fancy dress this week!

Liv A & the HGT





Farewell, Year 13. It has been a pleasure and a privilege to teach and support you over the years. We all wish you every success in your A-levels and look forward to learning of your many future successes.

Take care and stay safe!

Mr Scott, Miss Webster and the whole Sixth Form Team.



GOOD LUCK YEAR 11!



We have had a wonderful few weeks of celebrating our year 11 students journey so far at NGHS; a rounder's tournament, a movie night, fancy dress and a lovely afternoon together to say thank you and good luck.

We are incredibly proud of how resilient, determined and hardworking they have been. They have been a wonderful year group, who have looked after each other, and never fail to put a smile on each other's faces. We wish them every luck for their exams, and look forward to welcoming them back in September.

Mrs D Martin, Acting Head of Year 11



THANK YOU FRIDAY

Congratulations to this fortnight's winners...

Each fortnight we recognise students who have gone the extra mile to help a member of staff. Parents will receive recognition of the child's success through a postcard home and publication in Newport News.

To: Student	From: Teacher
E Adeniyi (10Aus)	Mrs S Dainty
Z Ahmed (9Rod)	Mrs K Gill
M Bandham (9Sea)	Dr S Catalan
A Beamson (9Rod)	Mrs S Dainty
P Bolton (A8)	Mr J Pimm
H Bone (9Aus)	Miss A Holmes
R Briggs (10Sea)	Mrs S Dainty
M Carroll (10Rod)	Miss R Crevis
O Cass (10Sea)	Mr A Mason
C Charlery (7S)	Mrs K Danby
T Chhokar (8Sea)	Mrs K Gill
L Chinthalapati (10Sea)	Mr A Mason
I Cooper (10Aus)	Mrs S Dainty
M Croughan (R6)	Mr J Pimm
L Dale (R7)	Mrs K Gill & Mr J Pimm
A Dealtry (9Sea)	Dr S Catalan
A Din (R7)	Miss AM Davies
W Du Plesis (7G)	Mrs T Fujii
G Fernandes (8Aus)	Mrs K Gill
H Gilbert (9Rod)	Mrs S Dainty
L Greenwood (A7)	Dr S Catalan
J Guan (11Rod)	Mrs K Gill
S Habaragoda Devage (10R)	Mrs K Gill & Mrs S Dainty
M Hall (8Aus)	Miss A Holmes
L Hambler (9Sea)	Miss A Holmes
T Hardiman (A7)	Miss AM Davies
E Haynes (S8)	Mrs K Danby & Mr A Mason
A Hekant (R8)	Mrs L Payne
G Hicklin (7N)	Mrs B Dugdale
I Hurst (7N)	Mrs B Dugdale

To: Student	From: Teacher
A Jones (10Sea)	Miss R Crevis
E Jevons (9Rod)	Mr J Pimm
I Knight (A7)	Mrs B Dugdale
L Livingstone (10Sea)	Mrs K Gill
S Lyall (A8)	Mrs L Payne
K MacMullen (9Aus)	Dr S Catalan
L Male (10Sea)	Dr S Catalan
H Manu (9Sea)	Dr S Catalan
P McKinven (8Sea)	Mrs K Gill
R Middleton (9Rod)	Mr J Pimm
H Morris (10Aus)	Mrs S Dainty
M Peters (9Rod)	Mrs S Dainty
I Pickles (R6)	Mrs K Gill
C-M Plummer (8Sea)	Mrs K Danby
M Rai (9Rod)	Mrs S Dainty
S Rodrigues (10Sea)	Dr S Catalan
A Rothwell (9Aus)	Dr S Catalan
I Royce (10Sea)	Dr S Catalan
N Sagili (10Rod)	Mrs S Dainty
L Smith (10Sea)	Dr S Catalan
E Spencer (R8)	Dr S Catalan
R Tagg (9Aus)	Miss AM Davies
S Uppal (R6)	Dr S Catalan
M Watkin (S6)	Dr S Catalan
A Watkins (10Aus)	Mr A Mason
B Willams (S6)	Mrs B Dugdale
P Williams (9Rod)	Mrs S Dainty
A Wyke (10Sea)	Mr A Mason
K Wykes (S7)	Dr S Catalan

What a lot of winners!

NGHS PASTORAL TEAM WHO'S WHO?

At NGHS, the safety of students, staff and visitors is our top priority.

Students can speak to ANY member of staff about any concerns, but there are certain colleagues with additional training to support you in pastoral and safeguarding matters.



Mrs H Birch
Assistant Head
Designated SL



Mr M J Scott
Headteacher



Mrs H Goodall
Head of Year 7



Mrs F Davenport
Pastoral Support



Miss S Webster
Deputy Head



Mrs A Chapman
Head of Year 9



Ms J Capaldi
Head of Year 8



Mrs K Danby
Wellbeing Officer

Safeguarding

Years 7-10



Mrs A Seys
Head of Year 10

Years 11-13



Mrs S Tomkinson
Head of Year 11



Mrs K Griffin
Head of Sixth Form



Mrs D Martin
Wellbeing Officer

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To urgently contact a member of the senior leadership team
outside school hours, please use urgent@nghs.org.uk