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A MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD

Dear Parents,

It is hard to believe that we have reached half-term already and that we are also now half way through this academic year. We have certainly packed a great deal into the past few weeks and I am sure that all in the School community are now ready for a break.

Please can I remind you all of the need for pupils to undertake a lateral flow test the evening before the return to School. In that way we can be sure that we are all returning to school with a clean bill of health which is particularly important in the run-in to the public examinations in the summer. Whilst changes to the need to do this are mooted the next set of government guidance, announcements will not be before we return after half-term. If any of the advice changes we will of course update you at the earliest opportunity. Thankfully the number of Covid cases has remained small in the Senior School. Those that have not been vaccinated may still take up vaccinations at one of the many local centres offering them.

Over the past two weeks we have been conducting our entrance exam interviews. We had a record number of applications to the School to join next September so the competition for places was strong. It is clear in meeting all of the parents just how many are choosing us because of your recommendation of the School to family and friends. Thank you for all you do to promote the School. The letters are going out in the post today to those we have selected but inevitably there will be some disappointments too.

You may be aware that the Girls' High School are encountering strike action by a number of their staff following the decision by the Girls' Day School Trust to take them out of the Teachers' Pension Scheme and offer an alternative scheme. Whilst it is true that the contribution rates paid by the School have increased in recent years there are no plans for us to leave this scheme. The School's governors naturally keep all aspects of our pay and conditions under constant review. We believe we remain an excellent place to work and the strength of the fields for any jobs that we advertise confirms this.

Finally I want to thank Stuart Ramsey very warmly for all he has done in his role for the School as Director of Finance and Operations. Stuart retires today and we wish him all the very best for a long, happy and healthy retirement. Stuart has played a significant role in the recent success of the School and leaves the School with us in a healthy financial position despite the challenges of the pandemic and rising inflation. I have enjoyed working with Stuart and we have worked together on a number of important strategic projects. He has been instrumental in strengthening all of our support services and played an important role in negotiating our deal to open branches of the School overseas. He will be replaced by Harriet Avison who joins us later in the month and I will introduce her in my next newsletter piece.

I hope that all of our staff and pupils have a lovely half-term break and we all look forward to the lighter evenings and warmer weather to come. Thank you for all your support again this half-term. There are a number of exciting events in the second half of term and then hopefully we will have an uninterrupted exam season in the summer.

Best Wishes,

Kevin Fear (Headmaster)

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
				11 TODAY
14	15 SCHOOL CLOSED FOR HALF TERM support staff are available to contact.	16	17	18
21	22 MUSIC Y9 OPERA DAY	23 Y8 THEATRE TRIP	24 LIGETI QUARTET IN SCHOOL	25 LIGETI QUARTET IN SCHOOL LGBTQ+ NON- UNIFORM DAY
28	1	2	3	4 SCOUTS NIGHT HIKE
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Please see our School Website for the most up to date information via our online calendar [here](#)

Term Dates 2021/22

The term dates for 2021/2022 are live on our website and you can view them [here](#).

Sports Fixtures and Results

You can access all the latest sports information, including team information, on the [sports website](#)

YEAR GROUP UPDATES



Head of Year 7 - Mrs Hollie Neale

It has been lovely to see Year 7 involved in lots of areas of school life in the past couple of weeks, such as House Climbing and Table Tennis, as well as school fixtures for Hockey, Netball, Swimming and Cross Country. They enjoyed a trip to the theatre last week to see *The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe*. A number of them have been involved in leading and planning assemblies as well as taking part in the Year 7 council meeting which was led by a couple of our prefects. They discussed what the key features are of a student code of conduct as well as how the school community can celebrate festivals. We hope that everyone has a lovely half-term.



Head of Year 8 - Mr Oliver Pratten

As ever, Mrs Gillett and I are impressed by the Year 8's maturity and organisation. It has been a very busy half term, and it is great to see so many students taking part in sport and co-curricular activities. We look forward to seeing the Year 8s using these activities to get their High School Award this year. This half term we have also held our form and year group councils. The main topic for discussion was a student code of conduct. There were some excellent ideas put forward by the students and a healthy debate about what the code should include:

The students who have achieved the highest number of distinctions this half term are:

- Haider M with 18 distinctions
- James G with 16 distinctions
- Maya S with 15 distinctions

Well done to these three students, and we look forward to welcoming everyone back after half term.



Head of Year 9 - Simon Barr Smith

It has been a very rewarding end to the half term for Year 9. Mrs Turney and Mr Barr-Smith were delighted to be joined by 24 Year 9 students for our inaugural "Success Breakfast", an opportunity to celebrate all the amazing achievements of the students both in and out of school. These successes were achieved in a broad range of activities ranging including distinction totals, county hockey honours, public speaking and volunteering. We really enjoyed hearing about all these successes.

Recently the Year 9 Debating Society have been debating the purposefulness of school councils. Their presentations and delivery were very well rehearsed and researched and it was clear that Nathan, Thales, Esme, Mysha and Anika had put in an incredible effort. Year 9 Cricket Nets also continue and the sheer number of attendees has been very encouraging. It looks like it will be a good season for both the boys and girls teams.



Head of Year 10 - Mr Paul Allison

Our Year 10 students have had another busy half term both inside and outside of the classroom. Over fifty students have represented the school in sports fixtures, including Netball, Hockey, Swimming and Cross Country.

There has been Cross Country success for Katie who has qualified to represent Nottinghamshire in the National Schools event in March. The year 10 teams have also competed in the East Midlands Independent Schools XC League. In Rowing, Phoebe has been selected to represent the East Midlands in the National Rowing Championships with her quad.

Congratulations to the many Year 10s who performed at the 'Jazz and Curry' night which took place at school.

The Year 10 ambassadors have been working really hard supporting clubs for the younger students in year 7 and 8. Congratulations to Zoe and Alexandra for organising and directing the year 7 and 8 production of 'Alice' - A mention also to Em and Otilie for running the DT club so successfully.

Year 10 PSHE topics this half term have focused on 'Mental Wellbeing' including topics on Anxiety, Depression, Eating Disorders and Self Harm. The students have been engaged in these sessions and have shown a great deal of maturity in dealing with these difficult topics.

Finally, year 10 have taken part in assemblies covering LGBTQ+ history month, National Holocaust day and the Nottinghamshire Hospice.



Assistant Head, Individuals Y11-13 - Mr David Gillett

It has been an incredibly busy half term with Mocks and Assessments for Year 11 and Year 13. We have been very impressed with the resilience and hard work shown by many of them during this time and they deserve a good rest over half term.

Year 12 have been working hard on the finishing stages of their research for their EPQ to meet their Mid Project Review stage. Next half term they will be writing up their reports. Final call for TED Talks: A number of Year 11 and 12 students have recorded TED Talks on a variety of subjects. We do however have some opportunities for some more to be recorded next half term. Students need to contact either Mrs Wheeler or Mrs Auterson for a time slot. The dedicated Google Classroom code is 5rwhvne should you wish to join it.

LGBTQ+ HISTORY MONTH



On Friday 4th February the School was lit up to support LGBTQ+ History Month

This month we are celebrating LGBTQ+ History Month. We have a variety of events taking place throughout February for both students and parents. To start the month, our PSHE prefects delivered an assembly with a focus on *What it Means to be an Ally to the LGBTQ+ community*. As part of the assembly we screened a short interview with the **Nottingham LGBTQ+ Service**, who we will be raising money for this month.

Students were also introduced to the 'Book of the Month' - *'We Are All Made of Molecules'*, a book that was specially selected due to its links to LGBTQ+.

During the first week of February, many of our students spent their breaks and lunchtimes taking part in a flag treasure hunt competition around the school. They were tasked with finding 8 flags related to the LGBTQ+ community and had to write down details of what they mean. We had well over a hundred entries to the competition and selected 10 winners who will each receive their very own copy of the Book of the Month.

In the second week, Mrs Auterson delivered a thought-provoking assembly on Diversity and Inclusion in the workplace, which considered why students should be aware of the diversity and inclusion policies of workplaces. In the same week Mr Beattie gave us a fascinating insight into how pronouns are used across different languages in his assembly.

We were so grateful to the Mellor Group who supported us with our dream of lighting up the school in Rainbow Colours, to coincide with Night Light Nottinghamshire and the School's Jazz and Curry Night. The school looked absolutely outstanding and we have had such wonderful feedback from both within and outside of school community.

Another event that we are planning as part of LGBTQ+ History month is a virtual coffee morning on the 26th Feb at 11am, this event is aimed primarily at parents who identify as LGBTQ+ or have children that do. The purpose of this event is to introduce ourselves to other members of the school community and have an informal discussion related to what it is like to be part of the LGBTQ+ community. As this event is virtual we will send out a video link to interested parents. If you are interested in attending please can you email Stapleton.a@nottinghamhigh.co.uk by the 25th Feb to register your interest.

SCHOOL NEWS

Regional Heats of the Great Debate

On Thursday 20th January, the History Department hosted the regional heats of the Historical Association's Great Debate. Students were invited to present on the aspect of their local area that had changed the most during the reign of Elizabeth II. Students from across the region came to the High School to present on a wide range of diverse topics and themes, expertly judged by Professor Greenwood of Nottingham University. Professor Greenwood, who specialises in medical history, was most impressed by the calibre, passion and eloquence with which the participants spoke on their chosen areas. Students from the High School chose to discuss the development and integration of LGBTQ+ rights, science and technological advances and the diversification of the city to name a few. Congratulations go to Gauri of NHS and Tom of Kings Grantham, who were judged to be the winner and runner up respectively. We wish Gauri all the best for the finals, held at Windsor Castle in March.



Jazz & Curry Night

Take a look at the photos from our recent Jazz & Curry night...

[HERE](#)



Chess News

The B team consisting of Alexandra A, Oliver D, James B, Kate H and Ethan W played their First Round match away to Dronfield Henry Fanshawe School. Sadly one of our team had to withdraw at the last minute which meant we had to default on board six. This meant we were one nil down from the start. We got off to a good start. Ethan W quickly won his game to draw us level. James B confidently put the High School ahead. This was followed with a good victory by Kate H. The match was delicately poised after our top board, Alexandra lost to a very highly rated player. Oliver D had to avoid defeat for us to go through. Their game was the longest and evenly balanced game of all finally ending in a draw. So the B team go into Round 2. The C team played Bourne Grammar School in their First Round match.

Our team was a good mixture of age groups. It was a very close game and with scores level it was all down to the result of the top board. Zayan played, a much higher rated opponent, on the top board and played a really good game but was eventually beaten after a mammoth tussle.

Other scores were: Hussein 0, Zakary 1, Ayaan 1, James 0.5, Ben 0, Zayan 0. So, in the Second round the A team are away to Bourne Grammar. The B team are to play a home match against the winners of King Edward's Birmingham or Camp Hill, Birmingham.

SCHOOL NEWS



Young Enterprise - Market Day!

Please come along and support our six Young Enterprise Teams who will be setting up stalls and selling to the public as part of the Young Enterprise company programme!

SATURDAY 28TH FEB, 10:00-14:00, SNEINTON MARKET



A Trip to the British Library

On Tuesday 1st February, the y.12 Historians had a fantastic opportunity to have a guided tour of the British Library's latest exhibit 'Elizabeth and Mary: Royal Cousins, Rival Queens'. This was a truly excellent experience, where students were confronted with original copies of key documents (such as Henry VIII's last will and testament) and artefacts (such as Elizabeth's mother and pearl and ruby ring, containing miniatures of her and her mother Anne Boleyn hidden inside) that really brought our period of study to life. Following this expertly guided tour and rumination on the skill of being a curator, our students navigated the London Underground and arrived in Kew for a session at the National Archives on Tudor Rebellions. This session was the best session I have experienced in my teaching career, as students were able to handle and explore the original Tudor documents and letters surrounding key rebellions under Henry VIII, Edward VI, Mary and Elizabeth. Students worked in 4 teams, as real life historians would, to decipher original Tudor documents from the archives. Decoding some of the documents proved difficult; however, once students had mastered the art of scanning, the excitement when meaning of these letters was gained was palpable. As Louis put it best, "its incomprehensible to think that these documents were produced 500 years ago by all of these important men and women that we've read about in our textbooks and we're here today and have been able to handle and read the originals."



Platinum Jubilee

The Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations have begun, with Elizabeth II becoming the first British monarch to reign for 70 years. We caught up with Ed Roberts (ON 2012-2020) recently:

'It is a great honour to have been selected as the winner of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee emblem competition. I came across the competition when watching The One Show and I thought I might be able to add to it. When told I had made it into the top 100 entries, I was proud of what I had achieved in itself, so to go all the way means such a lot. It is lovely to see the emblem receiving such great feedback and I very much look forward to seeing it in action across the course of the Jubilee celebrations.

I thoroughly enjoyed my time at the High School and met some lovely people whilst I was there. It may be rather obvious, but I would say I most enjoyed my time spent in the Art Department. It was like a small community. There was a sense of freedom and license you were given at A-level which very much appealed to me. What I learnt there was invaluable, and I will always look back at my time there with fondness'.

We're looking forward to seeing a lot more of Ed's design throughout 2022!

SCHOOL NEWS

Local Sporting Opportunities

Our fantastic Sports Department have pulled together this really useful document to promote our local sporting clubs to our students, these sporting opportunities are a great way to complement our Games options.

Local Sporting Opportunities

CLICK THE LOGOS TO VISIT THE WEBSITE LINKS

CRICKET
WOLLATON CC



HOCKEY
BEESTON HC



NETBALL
CITY NC



RUGBY
PAVIORS



PAVIORS R.F.C.

GEDLING COLLIERY CC



BOOTS HC



CLIFTONETTES NC



NOTTINGHAM MODERNS



PLUMTREE CC



WEST BRIDGFORD HC



BRAMCOTE NC



NOTTINGHAM CORSAIRS



ELLERSLIE CC



NOTTINGHAM HC



STAPLEFORD NC



MELISH



MELISH RFC

SCHOOL NEWS

Lost Property

Here at Nottingham High Senior School we find lots of lost property! We strive to return items to their rightful owners but this is not always possible. Lost property items that cannot be reunited with an owner are kept in our reception area with the hope they will be reclaimed. If your child has lost an item, please ask them to check with our Reception desk or phone 0115 978 6056.

Please help reduce the amount of lost property that we are unable to reunite with owners by labelling all clothing items; particularly outer clothing i.e. jumpers, coats.

Lost property stores are cleared out at the end of each half term. As part of our ongoing Bursary fund-raising efforts, we will be donating uniform and sports kit items to the second hand sales. Non-school clothing will be donated to local clothing charity Sharewear to help provide clothing for those in need. Other items will be donated to good causes internally or externally to the School.

Nottinghamshire County Schools Cross Country Championships

Berry Hill Park - 5th February

Fifteen students represented the Nottingham City team at the annual county school cross country championships.

Medallists

Gold - Jake Yr 10/11 Boys

Silver – Sofia Yr 7 Girls

Silver - Martha Senior Girls

Nine students have qualified for the National Schools Cross Country Finals in March:

Jake, Sofia, Martha, Grace, Charles, Katie, Tarun, Gautham



Careers: Diversity & Inclusion

As part of LGBTQ+ History Month I discussed the following data with students in years 11-13, and encouraging them to take an active role in questioning organisations they are applying to for work experience about their Diversity and Inclusion policies and practices. Do you know how your own workplace fares?

- 2.7% of UK citizens over the age of 16 are LGB, equating to 1.4 million people ([read more here](#))
- 46% of Gen Z (the 12.6 million young people born between 1996 and 2012) are not exclusively attracted to the opposite sex ([read more here](#))
- Only 3.7% of advertised jobs in the East Midlands refer to inclusivity ([read more here](#))



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Careers: Apprenticeships

This week is National Apprenticeships Week, so it's a good time to learn more about these incredible opportunities. Apprenticeships are an increasingly attractive option for many school leavers, but the top schemes are very competitive, with many thousands of applicants from all walks of life. In 2020 just 3,600 higher and degree apprenticeships were offered to 18 year old school leavers in the UK. With a degree apprenticeship, the company pays you to work for them (typically around £18-20k per year) and also funds your degree, meaning that you have unrivalled work experience and qualifications and no debt at the end of your programme. If you like the idea of combining work with study, this could be a good option to consider.

I have updated my website (www.whatnext.info) with further information and resources and am very happy to talk to people individually about the opportunities. Students can research currently available schemes via their Morrisby accounts; years 12 and 13 can speak to past pupils who are currently on apprenticeship schemes through our alumni platform www.nottinghamhighconnect.co.uk.

Madres Paralelas Review

Last week the A Level Spanish Students went on a trip to see the Spanish film "Madres Paralelas" – Almodóvar. Tomos D gives us an insight:

'Typically for a director as ambitious as Pedro Almodóvar, this film shies away from nothing. No doubt his representation of femininity, motherhood, and sexuality will delight fans of previous works such as All About My Mother and Volver, but his latest release speaks to a new audience in its exploration of the Spanish Civil War and its impacts on modern-day Spain. Parallel Mothers is masterful in its evocation of compassionate melodrama, and the eccentricity of its plot does not detract from its profound emotion and humanity.'



SCHOOL NEWS

Music News

Musical events this term began with two Teatime Concerts on Wednesday 2nd February to include the Piano Concert and another for Guitar and Percussion. There were 27 piano performances in the first Concert, from Year 2 students up to Year 12. It was lovely to hear such a broad age range of students, and also such a diverse range of musical genres. The pianists all performed exceptionally well and gave their supportive audience a real treat. Equally the guitarists and percussionists all displayed a high level of proficiency and skill in their performances.

Congratulations to the Senior Saxophone Trio for their performance in the Pro Corda Music Festival Pro Corda – ProCorda last Friday. The students who took part were Coy Zhu, Ben Djafer and Jenna Davies, all in Year 12. The Trio have successfully got through to the next round and will take part in the semi-final on 28th February. We wish them the very best of luck.

Congratulations to all the students who performed in the Chamber Music Festival on Wednesday 9th February. The following groups all played superbly: Senior Saxes, Brass Quintet, Brass Quartet, Y9 String Group, Clarinet Trio, Lower School Saxophones, Flute Choir and Lower Brass Ensemble. The varied range of repertoire and enthusiasm of the performers made for a wonderful evening.

An enormous congratulations to all the students involved in the Jazz & Curry Night on Friday 4th February: it was a delight. The performers certainly rose to the occasion, helped by the lovely ambience created in the dining hall with the lighting and three stages. The standard of performance was incredibly high; well done to the Big Band, Jazz Academy, Swing Band, Senior Saxophone Trio, Lower School Saxes, Senior Saxes, Y10 Barbershop and Y11 Barbershop. There were a number of fantastic solo vocalists on the night – congratulations to all of you. We were also treated to a performance by Mr Tim Lole, who donned his sparkly jacket and performed alongside the Staff Band. Special mention and thanks go to Mr Chris Toon for masterminding the event.



Summer Term Sports Notice

A reminder from the sports department, all students from year 7- 10 will need Cricket Whites for Summer term Games and training session. These can be purchased from the school WisePay.
(Year 10 Girls and those Seniors not on Cricket will not require Whites).



SCHOOL NEWS

DRAMA REVIEWS - Y7 & 8 Studio Productions

Alice

Directed By: Zoe F (Y10) and Alexandra A (Y10)
Welcome to Wonderland! We joined Alice as she journeyed down the rabbit hole and entered the strange land that lies down below. Alice met many interesting inhabitants on her travels, including Tweedle Dee and Tweedle Dum, the Cheshire Cats and the Cat-Ter-Pillar, but would she ever get home to her sisters and answer wonderland's most important question: Whoou Are Youuuu? After meeting the White Rabbit and finding herself changing size, she ended up with the Mad Hatter at his tea party! She managed to escape before the Queen of hearts chopped off her head!

The Year 7 and 8's worked hard, creating the changing size of Alice with 3 actors, and coping with last minute understudies due to absence. The Drama Department definitely has some strong actors coming though, and much praise must go to Zoe and Alexandra in their directorial debut.

Shakers

Directed by: Eleanor H (Y12) and Ariella S (Y12)
We joined Carol, Adele, Nicky, Eve and Mel whilst they worked in a bar that is worse than hell! The 90's trendy cocktail bar where everyone wants to be seen, from the checkout girls to the chinless yuppies. The 5 actors created the many types of people seen in bars, and we also got to see what goes on behind the scenes in a busy kitchen and what they really think of the customers they serve!

Extra praise must go to Eleanor Hopkinson for taking on a part due to absence, and also for her and Ariella's work in directing the Year 9 girls.

Bouncers

Directed by Ethan H (Y12) and Zamel S (Y12)
Lucky Eric, Judd, Les, Rob and Ralph were the original men in black, telling the tale of one night in a Yorkshire disco in the 80's! All the gang were out on the town, the boys, the girls, the cheesy dj, the late night kebab man and the taxi home, all under the watchful eyes of the Bouncers. The Year 9 and 10 students created the stereotypical girls night out, complete with a visit to the hairdressers, shoes that you can't walk in, and catching the boyfriend on 3 days with another girl! They also showed the lads on the town, and the obligatory visit to the facilities, as well as the bouncers trying to control the late-night crowds.

Ethan and Zamel worked tirelessly with the students to direct them in creating a crowd-pleasing performance.

Teachers

Directed by Dr Askew

The tale of a dysfunctional school with cranky caretakers, kid-hating teachers and hard nut kids portrayed by 7 year 9 students was highly amusing, seeing what they think happens in the staff room, and their impersonations of teachers. The new drama teacher Ms Nixon was trying to better her students against the oncoming tide of work, and trying to fit in to Mrs Parry's school, and avoiding the Mikado, was entertainingly portrayed, as was Doug the caretaker. Well done and congratulations to all involved.



Alice



Teachers



Bouncers



Shakers

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Community Action

This week, part of Community Action made a trip to the Bestwood and Bulwell Food Bank where we helped to prepare them for the upcoming week of work for them. We split into two groups, one of which helped to weigh in and categorise the donations they had recently received, and the others who helped to create emergency food parcels which would be given out in the following days. It was an incredibly insightful experience for everyone involved to see how the food bank itself was run, and to learn about the types of people who need to go there, the support and advice they are offered and the impact that donations of people's time, money and food can have for their lives. The manager of the food bank spent time at the beginning and end of the session explaining these topics to us, so that we were able to have a better understanding of the complexities and reality of the food bank and those that it can help that we might have never come across otherwise and we all came away with a deeper understanding and appreciation for the work that is done there than we had before. I think all of us hope we were able to make a difference, however small.



Grand Piano for Sale

The Music Department has a grand piano for sale; the piano is in excellent condition and has been tuned regularly.

Make: Reid-Sohn

Price: £1500 ono

The cost doesn't include the A-frame or removal.

Please contact soulsby.e@nottinghamhigh.co.uk for further details and/or to arrange a viewing.



AFTER SCHOOL SPORTS TRAINING

SPRING TERM

February to Easter



Boys Hockey@ The Hockey Centre
Girls Netball@ Valley Road

Tuesdays- Year 7, 9, 10
Thursdays- Year 8 and Seniors
(Senior Netball will remain in the sports Hall)

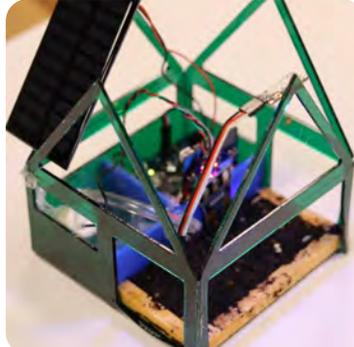


Pick up 5:50pm at venue. Remember correct kit for sessions.

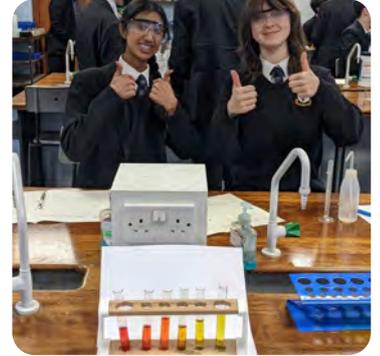
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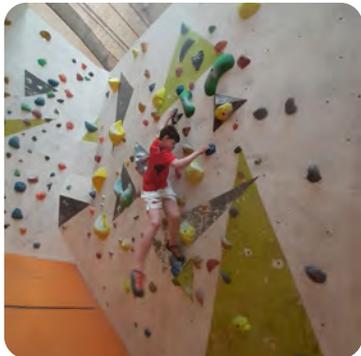
Fantastic kayak skills from AT Club



A Level Design Engineering - MicroFarm



LGBTQ+ month continues in chemistry with serial dilutions of an acid with Y10



Y8 House Climbing Competition



Year 8 have begun making their camping stones in D&T



Netball fixtures against NGHS this week



Year 12 very much enjoyed carrying out their fish head dissection



Linguists from Years 10 – 13 competed in first round of the UK Linguistics Olympiad



Students taking part in the LGBTQ+ flag competition



A selection of winners from the LGBTQ+ flag competition



Students collecting their prizes for the best reflection of their trip to the Holocaust Centre.



PSHE Prefects delivered an assembly this week on What it Means to be an Ally to the LGBTQ+ community

PARENT NOTICES

Raise donations for Nottingham High School whenever you shop online

Turn your everyday online shopping into FREE donations

Over **£32m** raised for good causes through easyfundraising

Easy Fundraising - Help us raise money

EasyFundraising is a brilliant platform which allows you to do your online shopping and raise money for your favourite cause at the same time. We currently have 74 registered users who have raised over £1803.70 for the Nottingham High School Bursary Fund without it costing them a penny. The retailer makes the donation as a 'thank you' to you! [Please sign up today!](#)

Sponsor a Stone

Since its launch in 2017, our Sponsor a Stone campaign has raised almost £35,000 for the School's Bursary Fund plus another £8,000 in Gift Aid!

Waverley Walkway is lined with personalised stones - a permanent feature of the School, one which will be enjoyed by our community for many years to come.

This is a great opportunity to celebrate links with Nottingham High Society as well as supporting our work to create opportunities for children who, without financial assistance, would be denied their opportunity to attend the School.



[To order your stone please visit our website.](#)

Prayer Meetings

The prayer support group meets regularly, and all are welcome. Our next meetings will be on Tuesday 1 March. Please contact Helen Bromley (Helen.bromley@sky.com or 07816164550) for details or to join our mailing list.

Social Media

Don't forget that you can follow us on social media to keep up-to-date with what's happening at the school. Please do feel free to follow us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [Instagram](#) and [Flickr](#). A full list of all Nottingham High School departmental social media accounts is available on our website.

Attendance in School

If you know in advance that your child is going to be absent from School, please apply for an Exeat by emailing exeat@nottinghamhigh.co.uk. If your child is ill or unexpectedly absent, please telephone the School Reception on 0115 978 6056 before 8.40am on every day they will not be attending and we will update our registers.

iParent and iStudent

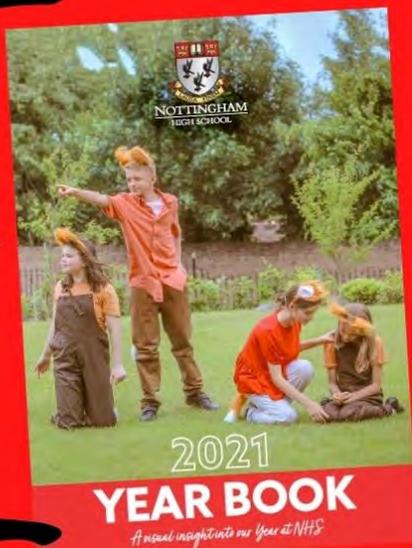
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