

Head's Newsletter

6 October 2023

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Dear Parents/Carers

I hope you have had a lovely week and that all is well.

Voyage on the Excelsior – Congratulations to Maxim Dougherty!

A number of our students participate in Sea Cadets outside of school. Maxim Dougherty (Year 9) was recently selected to participate in the harbouring potential course aboard Excelsior, forming part of a crew that sailed from Lowestoft to Ipswich before returning. Maxim described his four days as 'inspirational', and he had opportunities to learn about how to sail the vessel, including sweating the ropes, operating the tiller and navigating in and out of ports. In addition, Maxim also got to hear presentations from many maritime businesses, including the CEO of Njord Offshore, a naval architect. Well done Maxim!



#Hello Yellow – Non-uniform Fundraising for Young Minds – Tuesday 10 October

On Tuesday 10 October we will be holding a non-uniform day to raise funds for Young Minds and raise awareness of mental health. Students are encouraged to wear a yellow item, and there is a voluntary contribution of £1 for those that can afford to do so. Young Minds was selected through student voice.

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fighting for young people's mental health

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Year 9 Netball Team – Fantastic Tournament Success

An amazing team effort on Tuesday from our Year 9 netball team produced some great individual performances and team success at the U14 South Norfolk Tournament this week! With nine teams attending from all over South Norfolk, our youngsters registered seven wins, one draw and one loss! Sharp shooting skills, impressive interceptions and a dominant defence were key features of their performances, and they finished second overall in the tournament. Player's player of the tournament was chosen as Betsy Fowler, Miss Vickers selected Ava Cawston for strength and determination through the mid-court and the final player of the tournament, chosen by Miss Upson, was Hollie Howes for her impressive defensive effort.

Congratulations to all involved!



The results across the tournament were as follows:

Hobart v Thetford Academy 5 - 0
Hobart v Attleborough Academy 6 -3
Hobart v Dereham Neatherd 5 - 3
Hobart v Diss 3 -3
Hobart v Wymondham College 1 - 3
Hobart v Langley 5 - 0
Hobart v Dereham Northgate 4 -3

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Year 7 and 9 Netball Matches v Thetford Academy

On Thursday this week, Year 7 and 8 travelled to Thetford Academy for their latest netball fixtures. Year 8 had a strong game with some great goals and effort all around the court, with the match ending in a final score of 11-4. Player of the match - Rosie Giller. Year 7 were out on their first fixture representing our school, and all on court had fun. It was great to see some of our new netball players enjoying the game, some strong leadership on court, and a great start to their netball time at Hobart. Thetford Academy's strong shooting players meant they came away with a win. Player of the match - Ivi Oram. Well done girls.



Post 16 Evening – Great Turn Out!

Thank you to all the families who made it to our post 16 evening where we had a superb array of different providers – sixth forms, colleges, training options and more! There was a great buzz in the hall and it was a privilege to talk to students and their families about future plans. Thanks to staff who organised the event, including Miss Field and Mrs Armitage and to the families for their support.



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Allotment Project Taking Shape!

There was a further visit from Papillion Project leaders Harriet and Poppy this week who worked with students and staff on the next stage of this exciting development. The youngsters involved conducted themselves brilliantly, worked hard, and have made great progress in developing the area being worked on. Thanks to Ms Nethersell-Webb and all involved for this super work!



Subject Stars of the Week

PSHE



Claudia Thompson, Year 7. Claudia is always really engaged in the lessons and is keen to contribute; she has made a great start to year 7 PSHE. Keep up the great work.

Lemany Ling, Year 10. Lemany has given excellent input to the discussions about the sanctity of life and some of the moral and social elements covered in PSHE lessons.

PJ Blyth, Year 10. PJ has given thoughtful contributions to class discussions focused on the sanctity of life, including some of the moral and social perspectives.

Hermi Glanfield, Year 10. Hermie has made excellent and frequent contributions to class discussions. She has shown keen interest and engagement, worked well with different partners, and handled difficult content maturely and thoughtfully.

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Music



Jack Baldry (Year 10)

Jack has made a brilliant start to the GCSE music course. He shows a great interest in the theory and listening lessons and is always focussed during rehearsal lessons. He also played piano in the hall for open evening as well as helping out in the music department!

Marcie Cooper-Sobkowiak (Year 8)

Marcie has made excellent contributions in music since the start of term. Her understanding of subject specific terms is very good and during practical tasks, she is focussed and engaged at all times.

Design Technology Latest - Eiffel Tower Model

The Eiffel tower model was planned to be shown at open evening, but due to technical issues, this was not possible. We decided to test the 3D printer by making the model, and it printed perfectly, taking 4 hours and using 1.21m of PLA filament. We found the file on a 3D printing website called Thingiverse, and then we sliced it (coding it so the 3D printer understands it) on an app called CURA. We transferred the file onto an SD card and plugged it in the Ultimaker2.

The next step was loading the filament into the back of the 3D printer by threading it into the feed mechanism. After waiting for the nozzle to heat up to 210 degrees Celsius and the base plate to reach 60 degrees Celsius, we started the process. Please see the pictures below for the results of our efforts. Watch this space for more 3D printing!

Article by Thomas Hambling and Finley Hinton (Year 8)



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Fencing Achievements – Freddy Treharne (Year 8)

Congratulations to Freddy Treharne, who recently attended the Norfolk County Championships for fencing and finished with two medals – an excellent performance. Freddy attained Silver in Sabre U14 and bronze in U14 Foil. Fencing is a highly technical sport, and Freddy's achievements represent a huge amount of time and effort dedicated to training. Superb work Freddy!



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For those with children that have an interest in netball, please see details below of a skills and game play 'camp' run by our very own Ms Vickers. The camp aims to be fun in addition to developmental. Please visit the website below for details.

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UPCOMING CAMPS IN NORFOLK

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Those with an interest in local history and heritage may want to look at the flyer below, which details some free sessions that take place in Norwich.



**NORFOLK
YOUNG
HERITAGE
COLLECTIVE**

The Young Heritage Collective are a group of young people aged 12-18 who meet at Norfolk Heritage Centre to learn about and discuss lesser-known aspects of Norfolk's heritage in creative ways.

Sessions are free and everybody is welcome!

**Fortnightly Thursdays
4:15-5:30pm
Heritage Meeting Room, Second Floor
Norfolk & Norwich Millennium Library**

For more information please contact Apryl
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Sainsbury Centre for Visual Art and 'Moore and Moore' Art Workshop

On Wednesday 4 October the Year 10 GCSE Fine Art students visited the Sainsbury Centre for Visual Arts at the UEA in Norwich. We looked at The Living Area displays, the Robert and Lisa Sainsbury permanent collection and students were lucky enough to be able to spend time in the gallery and outdoor sculpture park sketching. Students also had the opportunity to look around the current exhibition entitled 'The Stuff of Life/The Life of Stuff' which runs up until 14 January 2024. In this major international exhibition, students were able to view artworks composed of salvaged materials, re-synthesised fragments, and e-waste and students were particularly interested in the performance art showing on the screen!

In the afternoon the students took part in the 'Moore and Moore' workshop, led by professional artist Ian Brownlie. The workshop focused around the many Henry Moore sculptures on display in The Living Area and outdoor Sculpture Park. The students produced experimental drawings using pastels, wax resist, ink and graphite around the theme 'Natural Forms' with a focus on Moore. The highlight of the workshop was sculpting a reclining figure from potato.





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Kind regards and I hope you enjoy your weekend.

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