



Head's Newsletter



Friday 14th February 2020

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Dear Parent(s) / Carer(s),

It seems entirely fitting that the opening lines of this newsletter are devoted to Oliver! I had the pleasure of enjoying the performance on more than one occasion. Describing how wonderful it has been is not easy to put into words. As I tried to convey in my closing words at the end of each performance, the presence, personality and camaraderie that came across on the stage and from the band were a joy to witness. We are lucky to have so many talented youngsters who are also prepared to work extremely hard to reach such high levels. A huge well done and congratulations to all the volunteers, staff and students involved.

I would like to thank the Ravensingham Community & Enterprise Trust, who contributed £500 towards the costs of the production, and would like to share the following lovely email I received from their Chairman Tom Browne:

Dear Mr Li-Rocchi,

Many thanks for inviting my wife and myself to OLIVER! It was such an enjoyable event. The first taste of your musicals was a wonderful concert a few years ago and last night was even better. The Ravensingham Community and Enterprise Trust is delighted to support this production.

The Trust exists to assist young people through competitive grants at the start of their post school lives. The help can be to acquire study materials, tools or even starting a business of their own. On occasion we support team efforts by young people such as we witnessed last night.

Oliver will have been something special to inspire students and for them to remember for all the days of their lives. They will realise that their time at the Hobart was the start that made a difference. All those, staff and students, who have worked so hard to make OLIVER a success deserve our congratulations.

So many thanks and keep on singing, acting and dancing - not forgetting the orchestra and technical back up.

Kind regards,

Tom Browne, Chairman, Ravensingham Community and Enterprise Trust



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A break from school can mean that young people spend more time online. Therefore, it is a good point to reflect on internet safety and raise awareness of the risks that exist. You can find lots of information and advice via the following link: www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents

If you have any concerns regarding your child's online activity, please contact one of the safeguarding team at the school, Miss Hall and Mrs Wilkinson.

Events and trips for the week ahead:

Date & Time	Event	Notes
28 th Feb	Year 9 options deadline	Please ensure the online forms are submitted (use the paper form if there are IT issues)
2 nd & 3 rd March	GCSE PE Practical Exam	Good luck to all those involved
5 th March During school day	Norfolk Skills Roadshow (Year 10)	Opportunity to learn about different career paths through local employees and careers advisors

The end of the half term also signals the release of our longer newsletter, which is packed with articles written by both staff and students. There are also plenty of pictures for you to enjoy!

Eco tip of the week from our Eco Club students

The second piece of advice to be included as part of this series is as follows:

- ✓ Could you go a whole month without buying anything except the essentials?

Best wishes and have a lovely half term. We return to school on Monday 24th February and I look forward to welcoming the students back.

Ross Li-Rocchi

Head of School