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HOLIDAYS DURING TERM TIME

We have received several requests from parents/carers wishing to take students out of school for family holidays. Experience has shown us that there is a direct link between attendance and achievement at school and lengthy absences are likely to have a detrimental effect on a student's academic progress. Whilst we appreciate that parents' work commitments may make it difficult to take holidays during the designated school holidays, we would like to remind parents that authorisation of such absences is purely at the school's discretion and will be considered only where a student has an excellent attendance record. We do hope that parents will try to avoid taking family holidays during term time wherever possible and thank you for your support in this.

SAFER JOURNEY TO SCHOOL

Students are reminded that they need to be constantly alert and consider other road users when walking or cycling to school.

SCHOOL MEALS - NEW SERVICE OFFER

Thank you to all the students (and parents/carers) who have used Scolarest's services during September. This is much appreciated.

Despite the newspaper reports, we have bucked the trend and this has led to massive queues at lunchtimes and break. This has allowed us to open a third hatch in the Barn to serve sandwiches, snacks and cold drinks and to put a "cold table" snack bar in the corner of the main dining room. We hope to be able to offer hot food at this service point in the very near future.

Should any student or member of staff, wish to order their sandwich/baguette - to be collected at lunchtime, we are offering a new service which will begin on Monday 15 October. Simply come to any counter and pick up an order form. Fill in the details requested and hand your order with payment to counter staff. Your lunch will be available to collect from the "Cold table" at lunchtime. Please note, that we shall be unable to offer a refund if you do not collect your order. *Gill Ward, Scolarest Manager*

OPEN EVENING SUCCESS

This Tuesday evening and last Thursday saw CNS open for visitors as we welcomed pupils currently in Year 6 - and their families - to have a look at what we have to offer at CNS. Both evenings were packed with standing room only for the presentation. The school looked and felt exciting and full of learning. All of us involved - the many students, staff, parents/carers and Governors - in making the evenings so successful should feel proud given the glowing comments made by visitors during the evenings. Thank you!

CNSA PET SHOW SUCCESS

Thank you to all who participated in or helped at the Pet Show. Just over £500 for was raised for our DraMus appeal.

SPORTING ROUNDUP

Cross Country - Any students interested in attending the talent identification day at the Hewett school need to make sure they can get there for 3.45 on Wednesday 17 October. All years, boys and girls welcome.

Badminton - Congratulations to Danny Cordeaux, Steph Burt and Ed Allen who have been chosen to represent the Norwich Schools Partnership team.

Fixtures

Mon 15 Oct - U19 Boys Football vs Hewett (H)
Tues 16 Oct - U19 & U15 Netball vs Norwich High (A)
Tues 16 Oct - U16 Boys Football vs Notre Dame (A)
Wed 17 Oct - U14 Netball Tournament (Hellesdon)
Wed 17 Oct - U14 Boys Football vs Blyth Jex (H)
Thurs 18 Oct - U14 & U16 Netball vs Heartsease (H)

Please remember to collect those Tesco Sports Vouchers and get them to any member of the PE department.

LOCKERS

At the end of the summer term, we requested the return of all locker keys but a large number remain outstanding. Students in Years 9, 10 and 11 who still have keys should return them to the Key Stage 3 Office without further delay. If keys are not returned by half term then students will be required to pay annual locker rental of £15.

**NEXT WEEK IS WEEK 1 KS3 EARLY LUNCH, KS4 LUNCH AT 1.35
ABSENCE LINE**

Y7: ☎ 274017, Y8: ☎ 274068, Y9: ☎ 274069, Y10: ☎ 274070, Y11: ☎ 274071, Y12/13: ☎ 274072

PASTORAL SUPPORT LINE

Years 7, 8 & 9 Suzanne Edwards 274054; Years 10 & 11 Michele Bundy 274029; Years 12 & 13 Kym Blake 274060

FAMILY DAY AT CNS

Saturday 17th November
10.00am - 3.00pm



We will use the amazing characters from *Max and Lara's Amazing Travelling Space Circus* to make stories for children to enjoy. Adults and children can work together to improve writing skills and you will have the chance to enter a competition run by the BBC, win a prize, and hear your story on the radio! There will be lots of exciting activities and freebies for everyone!

It's FREE and it's FUN!

If you want to talk to someone and make sure that this is an event for your family - why not ring Thea Abbott on 01603 274050? Thea can tell you more about what to expect and what you can learn from the day.