



THE ECHO



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'A GOOD SCHOOL WITH AN OUTSTANDING CURRICULUM'

We have just received the report on our Ofsted Inspection from earlier this month. The letter to students from Brian Sharples HMI is being distributed this morning. A paper copy of the report is being sent home via students today to all parents/carers.

We are pleased to have confirmation of Ofsted's judgement that CNS is 'a good school with a clear vision for raising standards and ensuring that all students achieve to their full ability'. It is encouraging to read the positive comments about students' personal development and well-being. Students 'believe there is a strong community and they have developed a good sense of social responsibility.....Their attitudes prepare them well for their broader role in life as citizens'. Teaching and learning are praised and we were delighted that the wide range of learning pathways available to students has been acknowledged through an 'outstanding' judgement on our curriculum. Importantly, the report indicates that students feel safe at CNS and that staff place a great deal of importance on 'ensuring all students are treated equally and are fully included in the life of the school'.

In the Sixth Form, our rise in standards is recorded and recognised to be as a result of good teaching. Students' personal development is good. They are said to display a level of maturity and they show respect and understanding to each other.

The sharpness of the Inspection ensures that our own ongoing self-evaluation of the work of CNS is given a thorough check. We were pleased that all of our self-evaluation judgements are confirmed by the report. Areas that we are now working on - summarised in last week's *Echo* - include the particular points mentioned by the Inspectors. These are that we need to refine the tracking systems in the Sixth form, that we need to continue pushing up attendance and that we need to continue to improve the way we mark and assess written work.

EASTER HOLIDAY

We wish you all a very happy holiday! Students return to school on **Wednesday 9 April**.

YEAR 7 PARENTS' EVENING

The Year 7 Parent Consultation Evening will be held on **Thursday 17 April from 5.30pm until 7.30pm**. Students will be able to book appointments with all subject teachers and both parents and students are welcome to attend. A letter with further details will be sent home at the beginning of the Summer Term.

SPORTING ROUNDUP

Yet another victory for our ever improving **U14 girls football** team...and with one more match to play, we may well be heading to the semi-finals! The girls played brilliantly displaying great teamwork led superbly by captain Rosemary Richardson. The match vs Reepham finished 5-4 with goals from Chelsea Pettifer, Clieo Stephenson, Ella Stephenson (2) and Esme Salmon - fantastic!

All new Summer clubs starting in the first few weeks when you return after Easter including Tennis, Athletics, Cricket and Rounders to name but a few!

U15 Rugby Tournament - CNS finished a promising 4th in their first Rugby outing as a team at this Norwich Rugby Club tournament. Tries from Ryan Roffey, Rory Howard and Daniel Morgan secured our first win and with little Auden Airdrie making some big tackles the CNS players did us proud.

U14 Boys Football - CNS produced their finest performance of the season on the astro at Thorpe. The surface allowed us to play the slick football the management have come to expect from this improving side. Losing 2-1 on the day, goal from Sam Moore, does not do justice as we were up against a team riddled with Norwich Academy and County players of which our players more than matched.

AWARDS ASSEMBLIES

On Friday last week and each morning this week, Main School students have participated in the termly Awards Assemblies. These are always important events in the term because we get to say 'well done' to the many, many students who quietly get on with their work and who are making excellent progress or who are acknowledged as having been good citizens in their Form or within the whole school.

WE RETURN TO WEEK 2 KS4 EARLY LUNCH, KS3 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 Ellen Ryan 274029; Years 12 & 13 Kym Blake 274060



BASIC FIRST AID CERTIFICATE

**FREE 4 week course at CNS
Starting Monday April 14th
3.15-5.15pm**

If you are working towards a Duke of Edinburgh award you will need this certificate – so book your place early! Contact Thea Abbott in Room 7A
01603 274050 t.abbott@cns-school.org

Don't forget to



**just because summer
is coming. Help us
help the planet!**

**Norwich Carbon Reduction
Trust are promoting a**

**PLASTIC CARRIER BAG
FREE DAY**

on Friday 28th March

Help them make a real difference to waste
pollution by refusing plastic bags when
you are shopping and getting your family
and friends to do the same!

MAKE EARTH HOUR HAPPEN IN NORWICH

At 8pm March 29, 2008 millions of people in some of the world's major capital cities will unite and switch off for Earth Hour. Help Norwich join - find more about how to take part by visiting www.earthhour.org

Created to take a stand against the greatest threat our planet has ever faced, Earth Hour uses the simple action of turning off the lights for one hour to deliver a powerful message about the need for action on global warming. You can make a difference - involve your family and friends at 8.00pm on Saturday 29th March 2008