



# THE ECHO



## City of Norwich School Weekly Newsletter

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### START OF YEAR

This has been an important week for us all at CNS. On Wednesday, we welcomed 240 new students in Year 7, a further 240 in Year 8 and around 150 students who are new to Year 12. Students have been introduced to the school and to the way we do things around here. But this has also been the week in which our newly improved campus gets its first real test. For three years, planning has taken place to consider how the CNS buildings can be improved. We wanted to create more space for us all to work more comfortably alongside each other. The new buildings - the Skinner Centre and the Arc - have been complemented by developments of several other areas of the school, many of which are now complete. The routes around the school and the social and study spaces have all been improved. A new learning support area - Pitstop - has been created. The Hall is being transformed into a study and meeting space. More space is available in the Sixth Form Centre for group and individual work. No doubt there will be modifications that need to be made but as we start the 2007-8 school year it is clear that some of our long-standing premises problems have been solved.

### NEW ROUTINES

Students have been briefed on the changes to school routines this year and these appear in the Planner. These include arrangements for catering and social spaces, availability of toilets and cycling to the bike sheds. It will be important for parents and carers to know that it is no longer possible to enter or leave the school site by vehicle between 3pm and 3.15. This allows for a much safer exit of students and avoids the crush of the past.

### EXAM RESULTS 2007

It is a pleasure to report that at A level, over half of our Year 13 students' results were at A and B grades. We were also pleased that of Year 11 students - who had a target of 60% to achieve 5 top grades - 62% achieved 5 or more top grades. And of our Year 9 around 70% achieved or exceeded their Target Levels. We wish students commencing Year 11 and Year 13 this Autumn all the best in meeting some very challenging targets.

### WELCOME TO VISITING STUDENTS

We welcome four visiting students from Trondheim in Norway - the fourth such group to spend a year at CNS - Anne Liseth, Ragnhild Syrstad, Erik Naes and Torgeir Blaesterdalen.

### STUDENT ABSENCE

The telephone numbers for reporting absence for each year is listed below. Please use these numbers to report any student absence.

#### SPORTING ROUNDUP

##### Sports Day Results

Overall Form results

Year 8 - 1<sup>st</sup> HW, 2<sup>nd</sup> BW, 3<sup>rd</sup> BE

Year 9 - 1<sup>st</sup> BE, 2<sup>nd</sup> FW, 3<sup>rd</sup> CW

Overall House results

Year 8 - 1<sup>st</sup> Britten, 2<sup>nd</sup> Hodgkin, 3<sup>rd</sup> Fry, 4<sup>th</sup> Colman

Year 9 - 1<sup>st</sup> Britten, 2<sup>nd</sup> Fry, 3<sup>rd</sup> Colman, 4<sup>th</sup> Hodgkin

Calling Years 10, 11, 12 & 13 - the Senior Swimming Gala coming up very soon. If you are interested see Mr King as soon as possible. Further details will follow shortly.

Year 7/8 Football Trials to be held next week. Please see the PE notice board for dates of trials.

Year 7/8 Rugby Club starts Wednesday, 12 September 3.05 - 4.30.

All other clubs will start week commencing 17 September. Next week's Echo will have further details.

Football fixtures will be starting soon. See the PE notice board for details.

### NEW STAFF

This Autumn, we welcome Mrs Tillyard, our new Assistant Head, Mrs Rollison, Advanced Skills Teacher in Maths, Mr Merrywest, Curriculum Leader for ICT, and Mr Mooney, Subject Leader for Drama. We also welcome Miss Abrahams (DT), Mrs Baylay, Mr O'Brien, Mr Poynton and Miss Walker (Expressive Arts), Mr Bloomfield (Humanities), Miss Curran and Mrs Gibson (Mfl), Mr Colley, Mr Smith and Miss Spinks (Science), Mrs Elphick, Miss Johnson and Mr Pooley (Maths), Miss Doherty and Mrs Goodwin (English), Mr Thompson (ICT) and Miss Willis (LEAP). Mrs Brown, Mr Brakenbury Mr Hayes, Mr Kendall, Miss Lomax, Miss Mantilla, Miss Neil, Mrs Staff and Miss Williamson join the Inclusion and Operations teams. Miss Butchers, Miss Ryan and Mrs Weldon join the Admin and Finance teams.

### BEST WISHES

At the start of this significant year in CNS' history, best wishes to all families connected with the school.

### CNSA PET SHOW

Friday 28 September - watch for details next week!

**NEXT WEEK IS WEEK 2 KS4 EARLY LUNCH, KS3 LUNCH AT 1.35  
ABSENCE LINE**

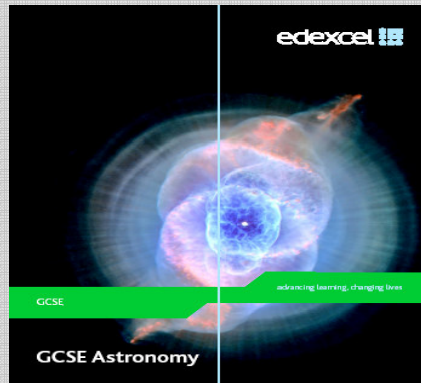
Y7: ☎ 274017, Y8: ☎ 274068, Y9: ☎ 274069, Y10: ☎ 274070, Y11: ☎ 274071, Y12/13: ☎ 274072

**PASTORAL SUPPORT LINE**

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

# GCSE in Astronomy

Wednesdays 7.00 - 9.00 starting - 12<sup>th</sup> September 2007



## Learning for Everyone at CNS Eaton Road, Norwich, NR4 6PP.

“Astronomy is one of the oldest sciences and yet astronomers are continually visiting new worlds, discovering new elements to the solar system and exploring phenomena such as black holes, the Big Bang and life on Mars. That’s what makes the study of astronomy such a stimulating experience.”

The course will run throughout the school year - the tuition fee will be £150 per student (£80 for those in full time education or in receipt of benefits).

The exam fee will be approximately £27.

To register or for more details of this and other courses - contact Thea Abbott - 01603 274050 or email [t.abbott@cns-school.org](mailto:t.abbott@cns-school.org)

### After School Clubs @ CNS

Monday **Cookery Club** -  
4 weeks from 17<sup>th</sup> September

Tuesday **Capoeira** -  
6 weeks from 18<sup>th</sup> September

Tuesday **Touch-typing** -  
6 weeks from 18<sup>th</sup> September

Thursday **Archery** -  
6 weeks from 20<sup>th</sup> September

*To find out more and to book a place pick up a leaflet from the dispenser on the long corridor or call into Room 7A and talk to Thea Abbott or Myra Vogwill*

### Family Learning @ CNS

## Animation Day

Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> October  
10.00am – 3.00pm



Families with children of all ages from 5 upwards are welcome. So come along and have fun with paper animations, special effects, story planning, prop making, stop motion.

Use our equipment and computers to make your own animation film!

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