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Message from our Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been an exceptionally hard week for our Year 11 and Year 13 students, who have been working tirelessly to achieve the best possible results in their final exams. I cannot praise them highly enough for their behaviour, commitment, and effort. I truly hope that all of their hard work translates into fantastic results for them.

Today is our Year 11 and Year 13 Celebration Event, where we mark a fantastic five to seven years of learning at our school. Both year groups will return after half term to continue studying with our amazing teachers and complete their examinations.

Further down the school this week, we were treated to a roadshow presented by Gloucestershire Constabulary, who spoke to our Year 7 and Year 8 students about knife crime and personal safety.

This week, we also welcomed the newest member of our Maths team, Mr King, who has already made a significant impact on our students. Not many schools can say they have a fully staffed Maths department, and I am proud to say that ours is second to none.

As we reach the end of this half term, I hope all students enjoy a well-earned break next week. I am looking forward to the final half term of my first year as your Headteacher, and we still have a great deal of important work to do before the summer.

We will host a number of transition events for Year 5 and Year 6 students, Year 10 will move into Year 11 and begin the final stage of their GCSE studies, and those students who have wisely selected our Sixth Form for the next stage of their journey will attend their Applicants' Day.

Finally, I have two further staffing updates for you.

Firstly, I have spoken to Mr Nicklin who, as you know, is currently off work following a medical procedure. I am pleased to report that he is recovering well at home and sends his very best wishes to everyone.

Secondly, today we say goodbye to Mr Forbes from the Science department as he moves on to the next stage of his career.

Clubs and Activities

**Housepoint of the Week
For w/c 1st June**
Prefect

Monday 1st June

- * External GCSE and A Level exams continue
- * Year 10 & Year 12 exams begin
- * Year 7, Year 8 & Year 9 exam week

Tuesday 2nd June

- * Duke of Edinburgh Break & Lunch in Library
- * Primary Cricket

Wednesday 3rd June

- * Duke of Edinburgh Break & Lunch in Library

Thursday 4th June

Friday 5th June



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We thank Mr Forbes for his hard work and contribution to Newent, and we wish him every success for the future.

Have a lovely bank holiday and half term break, and please take care of yourselves. The final half term awaits, with plenty of hard work and exciting changes still to come.

Warm regards

Mr B Dumayne
Headteacher



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Attendance Matters:

Celebrating Success in Attendance

We would like to extend our sincere thanks to all of our parents and carers for the continued support you have shown in promoting excellent attendance this term. Thanks to the strong partnership between home and school, our attendance figures continue to rise, and this is something we can all be incredibly proud of.

Regular attendance is vital to success. Every day in school means more hours of learning, greater opportunities to build knowledge and skills, and ultimately, better examination outcomes. Most importantly, it opens up a wider range of future opportunities for our young people. Your commitment to ensuring your child attends school regularly is making a real and lasting difference.

A special mention must go to our Year 11 students. Their attendance this year has been significantly higher than both regional and national averages, which is a remarkable achievement. We admire their dedication, determination, and focus on their studies, and we are confident this will serve them well as they complete the remainder of the examination season. We wish them every success and know they will approach the coming weeks with confidence.

This success reflects our shared commitment to our HEART values:

- Honesty in taking responsibility for attendance
- Excellence in striving for the very best outcomes
- Accountability in recognising the importance of every school day
- Resilience in overcoming challenges and maintaining strong routines
- Teamwork between school and home to support every student

Together, these values help us build a culture where every student can thrive.

As we approach the half-term break, we would like to wish all of our families a safe, restful, and peaceful holiday. Thank you once again for your continued support, we look forward to building on this success together in the weeks ahead.

Ms Gordelier
Acting Deputy Headteacher and DSL

May Half Term:

For further information of May Half Term activities available across Gloucestershire please visit the following site:

[Half Term](#)



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Knife Arch Visit by Gloucestershire Constabulary:

On Thursday the PSHE Department were pleased to welcome Dean Saunders, Youth Engagement Officer from Gloucestershire Constabulary, along with four police officers, to deliver a knife awareness session for some of our Year 7 and Year 8 pupils.

During the session, pupils had the opportunity to learn how a knife arch operates, use security wands, and discuss important topics including the law surrounding knife possession and the concept of joint enterprise.

The officers were extremely impressed with the pupils' behaviour and participation, describing them as "fully engaged, enthusiastic and a credit to the school." It was encouraging to see all pupils engaging thoughtfully with the important messages delivered throughout the session.



We are very grateful to Dean Saunders and his colleagues for their time and support, and we look forward to welcoming them back to the school in the future.





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PE News:

Rounders:

Year 7 girls made a brilliant start to their rounders season with impressive wins against Dene Magna and Wyedean. They have been practising hard on Wednesdays at the after-school sessions, so it was fantastic to see their effort come to fruition. The girls grew in confidence with each game and showed the value of teamwork throughout.

Well done to all involved on an excellent start to the season!

If you would like to come along to rounders practice, sessions are open to all year groups every Wednesday from 3:30–4:30pm.



Cricket:

Two cricket matches to finish the term. We played an U13 mixed softball match v Wyedean and today our U15 lost to STR in the Stokes/Knight cup. Some great cricket skills on show.

Well done and thank you to all students that have played school sport this term.





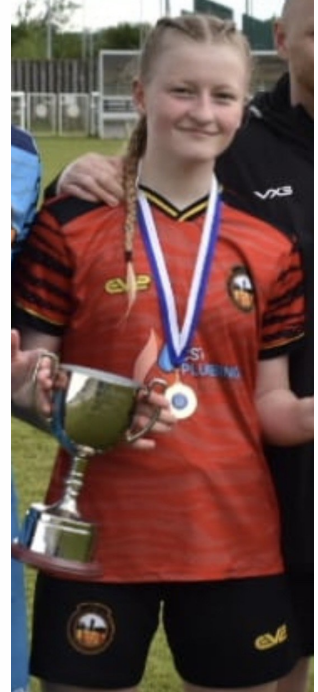
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Football:

Kaci-Mai plays for Gloucester City U16s football team who competed in the League Cup last Sunday and beat Cheltenham 8-1 to win the League Cup. Gloucester City U16s are also County Cup winners and undefeated throughout their season.

Well done Kaci-Mai and team - this is amazing!





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Maths News:

Introducing our new Maths Teacher Mr King:

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Introducing Mr King

a new
Maths teacher at
our school!

We are delighted to welcome Mr King to the Newent Community School family.

We look forward to him inspiring our students and being part of our school community.

Inspire & Learn



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Year 7 Buddies:

A Fantastic opportunity for our students to support our new intake in September - Please sign up!



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YEAR 7 BUDDIES

**MAKE A DIFFERENCE.
BE A BUDDY.**

Our incoming Year 6 students will soon be joining us as Year 7s, and they need friendly faces to help them feel welcome and supported.

AS A BUDDY, YOU WILL:

-  Help new students settle in
-  Show them the ropes
-  Be a friendly face and someone to talk to
-  Make a positive difference in someone's first year

INTERESTED?

Give your name to
INCLUSION
or your
TUTOR
as soon as possible!



**BE KIND. BE SUPPORTIVE.
BE A YEAR 7 BUDDY!**



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Year 10:

Key dates for our Year 10 moving into Year 11:



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YEAR 10 FINAL HALF TERM & YOUR TRANSITION INTO YEAR 11

A CLEAR PLAN. THE RIGHT MOMENTUM. **YOUR FINAL YEAR BEGINS SOON!**



**THURSDAY
2ND JULY
(PERIOD 6)**

YEAR 10 RESULTS ASSEMBLY

Celebrate your achievements and refocus for the journey ahead.



**THURSDAY
2ND JULY
(EVENING)**

YEAR 10 PARENTS' EVENING

An opportunity to meet with teachers and plan for a successful Year 11.



**FRIDAY
3RD JULY
(PERIODS 5 & 6)**

YEAR 10 INTO 11 GRADUATION

Mark the transition. A celebration of your progress and the step into Year 11.



**MONDAY
6TH JULY**

FIRST YEAR 11 ASSEMBLY AND MOVEMENT INTO NEW TUTOR GROUPS

A fresh start with high expectations and the right support around you.



THIS IS YOUR MOMENT. Step up. Stay focused. Be your best.
Let's make Year 11 your strongest chapter yet.



HIGH EXPECTATIONS | STRONG SUPPORT | BRIGHT FUTURES



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Library News:



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BOOK AMNESTY



We are revamping our fantastic school library and due to the large number of students who are now regularly reading at Newent we are missing a number of books from our stock.



Please check your bedroom for any **school library books** and bring them back to the library at lunchtime during the **first week after half term** to be entered into a prize draw to win a

