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# NONSUCH NEWS

Our weekly newsletter for the school community



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## MESSAGES FROM MS CAVILLA



Dear parents, carers and students,

### **Whole School Photograph**

Every three years we take a photograph of the entire school community, which is then made available for sale. These photos are pieces of our school history which adorn our school corridors in chronological order. A letter will be coming out with further detail but I wanted to flag this up in advance. Unless the field is too damp, we plan for this to take place on Tuesday March 26th.

### **Conditions Improvement Fund - Safeguarding bid**

New fencing has already been set up around the outside edge of the school sports fields. Next stop: fencing and a new gate at the Nonsuch Park entrance. The canteen gate entrance already has a card reader installed. When the same technology is installed at the park gate we will communicate further. The card reader affords the school greater management over by whom and when these entry points can be used.

### **School Council - Thursday March 28th**

School Council representatives have been discussing safe travel and movement and their thoughts and ideas will be aired at our Spring council meeting.

### **GCSE and A Level music recital**

What a privilege this was, to hear superb live music from such talented musicians. Students performed with courage and presence and were wholly supportive of each other.

### **RAG week**

I hope the students have enjoyed the week as much as the staff as this has been huge fun. It seems students will pay top dollar to see staff being daft! RAG was masterminded by Dia in Year 13 this year. If you have not yet made a donation for the privilege of a non-uniform day via Parent Pay, please do so in order to help us raise funds for Friends of Kipkelion, Sutton Young Carers and the global Disasters Emergency Committee. Thank you.

Best wishes,  
Ms Cavilla

# UPDATES FROM MRS WILLIAMSON-JONES

## Attendance

As the school holidays approach, we'd like to remind you of our Attendance Policy regarding absences during the first and last week of terms. If your daughter is unwell during these weeks, we kindly ask for medical evidence to authorise the absence. The Government recommends that children with mild respiratory illnesses, such as a minor cough, runny nose, or sore throat, can typically attend school. This guidance helps parents make informed decisions about their child's health and attendance. For more details, visit: [Is my child too ill for school? - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](https://www.nhs.uk).

Your openness about any planned international travel before the term ends or after the summer term begins is highly valued. This information is essential for us to fulfil our legal obligation to safeguard our students by knowing their whereabouts during term time.

**Thank you for your continued support to ensure your child attends school.**

You can monitor your child's attendance data through the Schoolgateway app and ensure that it remains at 95% and above. If there is anything that we may be concerned about, your child's form tutor, Head of Year or myself will contact you.

### Session attendance summary 04 Sept 2023 to 14 March 2024

	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11	Year 12	Year 13	All
Attendance	98.15	97.64	96.96	96.44	95.39	96.24	94.07	96.42
Authorised	1.47	1.81	2.53	2.88	3.90	3.02	4.53	2.88
Unauthorised	0.32	0.55	0.51	0.68	0.70	0.73	1.36	0.69
Persistent absence >=10%	2	2	8	12	14	10	29	77



## Relationships and Sex Education consultation

A reminder that this week we will be gathering feedback from students and staff about our Relationship and Sex Education curriculum as part of our consultation period. Once we have assimilated all information, we will provide you with an update draft policy including curriculum to look at. We will ask for your feedback on this policy via Microsoft form.



# COMMUNITY NOTICES

## NONSUCH - CAREERS

### HIGHER EDUCATION & APPRENTICESHIPS - SHOUTOUT!



#### UNIVERSITY & APPRENTICESHIP OFFERS

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are incredibly proud of our students receiving offers for university courses of their choice and places on apprenticeship programmes.

As such, we want to celebrate these achievements with you and will be sharing a selection of these each week with you.

Thank you,  
Careers @ Nonsuch High School for Girls

**University Offers:**

#### OXBRIDGE

- Medicine
- Veterinary medicine
- Economics
- Education
- Law
- Philosophy and Italian
- Mathematics
- Physics
- French and Italian
- Music

#### FINANCE

- Finance (Investments) with Placement Year
- Finance, Accounting and Management
- Financial Economics

#### PSYCHOLOGY

- Psychology
- Applied Psychology

Please check nutritional information via the link on poster if you have allergies



## Doughnut Day

### 27 March 2024

- Doughnuts £1.20 each
- Time - Lunch break (12:25pm - 1.00pm)
- Location: School Hall (entry ONLY via the doors by the netball courts).
- Card/Contactless / Cash accepted (exact money only)

[Nutritional info - krispykreme.co.uk/ingredients](https://www.krispykreme.co.uk/ingredients)

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Please note an upcoming workshop in April run by charity Off The Record, which you may find useful: [Self-Harm Support for Parents/Carers- 16th & 23rd April, 6.30pm](#)

Please see the attached information about the 2025 Austria Ski trip.

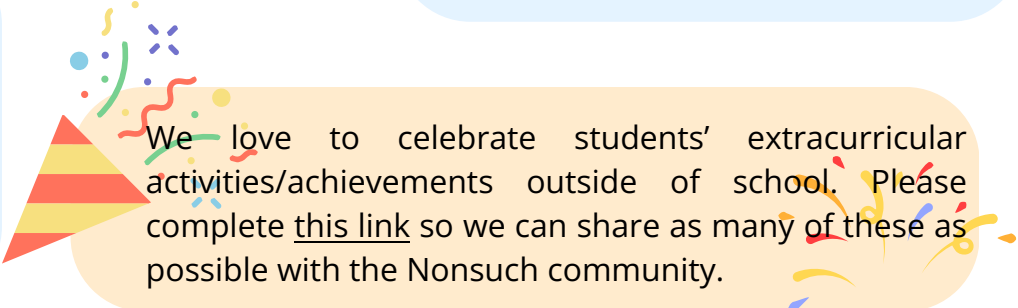


## Self-harm guidance

Self-Harm is a significant issue among young people. The causes behind self-harm can come from many places, sometimes it's a reaction to difficult emotions. In other cases it can be related to poor self-worth and self confidence. In any case it is not only a traumatic practice for many, it is also physically perilous. Attempts at self-harm can sadly result in unforeseen injuries that may take years to heal, and produce life-long mental and bodily scars. To find out more about self-harm and how to deal with it, please follow this link from charity YoungMinds.

## Reporting absence

Please report absences via Schoolgateway. Download the app here: [Nonsuch High School for Girls - Reporting Absences](#).



We love to celebrate students' extracurricular activities/achievements outside of school. Please complete this link so we can share as many of these as possible with the Nonsuch community.



# SCHOOL AND DEPARTMENT NEWS

## Art - Y10

Y10 Art students have been working with dedication and enthusiasm on their fingerprint monochromatic portraits. Well done to Aditri, Dimanya, Evie, Eugenie, Sophia for completing their work!



## Jack Petchey public speaking competition

On Monday March 4th, two students from Nonsuch attended the Sutton final of the 'Jack Petchey: Speak Out!' competition at Wilson's School, accompanied by Miss Jones. The students took part in a workshop on public speaking skills with the other finalists and we were treated to an excellent evening of speeches on a diverse range of topics including not giving up, being a ballerina and how life is a rollercoaster. It was a fantastic event and the students' speeches truly made everyone in the audience proud.

Congratulations to Aurora for a powerful speech and to both Aurora and Sophie (Y10) for their excellent conduct and attitude throughout the competition.

**NONSUCH HIGH SCHOOL FOR GIRLS**  
Presents:  
**GYM AND DANCE**  
**DISPLAY 2024**  
Theme:  
**When I Grow Up**  
Pieces inspired  
by Childhood Dreams

Curtains open at 7pm  
Buy your tickets NOW  
on Parent Pay!

Takes place:  
Tuesday 26th March  
Wednesday 27th March

# SCHOOL AND DEPARTMENT NEWS

## PE - Hockey - U12 and U14 matches

Our U12 hockey team played their last fixture of the season against Rosebery School. They lost 4-1 but took great enjoyment from scoring the first goal. They worked really hard as a team to create space to allow the ball to be passed across the pitch successfully. The player of the match was awarded to Adhya who demonstrated good defensive skills when trying to stop Rosebery on an attacking run.



Our U14 hockey team also played their last fixture of the season against Croydon High School. It was a huge team effort to maintain a strong defence against Croydon who were quick on the ball in getting it into the attacking circle. The team lost 4-0 but demonstrated great resilience until the end of the match. The player of the match was awarded to Posi who played Goal Keeper. Posi performed some amazing saves throughout the game whereby she directed her defence well in preventing more opportunities at goal.



## Figure skating success both at home and abroad!

Kaitlyn (Y8) says: "I have recently competed in a number of figure skating competitions. As well as the 2024 Robin Hood Trophy at the National Ice Center in Nottingham, placing in the top 10 of the Basic Novice group, I also competed at the Guildford Open 2024. It was my first time competing at my home rink with this program and I achieved 3rd overall in the Level 4 ISU Age Category. I also went to the Bellu Memorial Interclub 2024 (in Bucharest, Romania), my first international figure skating competition. It was a wonderful experience and I achieved three points higher than my personal best score. I came seventh in a group of 15 skilled skaters, which I'm proud of. I've learnt many valuable lessons from these competitions, and will continue to work hard to achieve my best." Well done, Kaitlyn!



# UPCOMING DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

<b>Week 2</b>	
Monday 18th March	KS3 & KS4 Regional Badminton competition
Tuesday 19th March	Year 12 Revision Guide deadline LYG Sports Hall Athletics
Wednesday 20th March	Year 13 Parents' Evening – 16.00-18.30 (Hall)
Thursday 21st March	Year 7 Interhouse Netball/Hockey
Friday 22nd March	Year 9 Hockey/Netball Interhouse PTA Board Game Night – 18.00 – LGCR
<b>Week 1</b>	
Monday 25th March	Gym & Dance dress rehearsal
Tuesday 26th March	Whole School Photograph
Wednesday 27th March	PTA Doughnut Sale – 12.20 (Hall)
Thursday 28th March	End of term
Friday 29th March	Easter Holiday starts Return to school Monday 15th April