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Our fortnightly newsletter for the school community



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Messages from Mrs Williamson



Dear students, parents, and carers,

I would like to extend a warm welcome to our new Year 7 and Year 12 students and their families and to the wider school community as we embark on a new academic year.

In order to streamline our communications, we will be publishing a more concise fortnightly school newsletter and a specific year-group pastoral newsletter for Years 7-11 each half term. We also encourage you to visit our [school website](#) regularly, and, if you have social media, to follow us on [Instagram](#) and [LinkedIn](#).

We start the academic year following a fantastic set of summer results at both KS4 and KS5 as I outlined in my letter to parents at the beginning of term. We are delighted for our students moving onto life after Nonsuch, whether that is for university, an apprenticeship, or gap year, and for our new Year 12s - both those who are continuing their education journey from Year 11 and to students who have chosen to come to Nonsuch for A-levels.

This Tuesday, school will be closed for all students for the annual Selective Eligibility Test for Year 6 students. School is also closed for all students on Friday, September 25th for an INSET day. Please also note the parent information evening dates for Year 8 (Wednesday, September 23rd) and Year 10 (Thursday, September 24th). Finally, best of luck for our Duke of Edinburgh students who embark on their Silver Expedition today.

With best wishes,

Mrs Williamson
Headteacher



SAFEGUARDING AND WELLBEING

Safeguarding email address

If you have any concerns or questions regarding safeguarding or child protection, please contact us at safeguarding@nonsuchschool.org. We are here to ensure the safety and wellbeing of everyone within our community, and we take any reports or enquiries seriously. Your email will be treated confidentially and promptly addressed by our dedicated safeguarding team.

Reporting your daughter's absence

All daily unplanned absence must be reported through either on the Arbor website or the Arbor app.

Absences should be reported each day and any subsequent days preferably before 8.30am, and by 9.00am at the latest. If there is no communication from parents, then this absence will be automatically recorded as an unauthorised absence.

To report on-the-day absence:

1. Log into the Arbor App or Parent Portal:
2. Click on the Quick Actions button on the Portal or the Quick Actions menu (three lines in the lower left-hand corner) and then click Attendance.
3. Click the green Log Absence button.
4. Input the start and end time for the absence and type in the reason for the absence. By default, the absence start and end times reflect the student's full day, but these can be adjusted as needed. Once you have filled in this data, click Log Absence. This will then be visible to school staff.
5. Once this has been logged, school staff can accept or reject the absence. Approved absences appear in the Attendance tab of the Parent Portal or Arbor App.
6. It is not possible to edit an existing absence request, so if you need to make any changes, you should delete the absence request and create a new one. To delete the absence, click on it and then click Cancel Change Request.

PLEASE NOTE:

It is not possible to delete an absence **once it has been approved by us**. If you need to make any changes after this has happened, please contact the school office.

For full details on how to report absence, please visit [Reporting your child's absence from school](#)

First Aid

Please advise First Aid of any recently-diagnosed medical conditions/allergies.

Hayfever Medication

If your child suffers from hayfever/allergies, please ensure that they take any medication needed in the morning before leaving for school. If you would like us to hold any medication in school can you please send it in a clearly labelled, original packaging/box. You will also need to complete a 'Permission to Administer Medication' form which can be found on our website or a hard copy can be collected from Main Reception.

Epipens

If your daughter carries her own epipen, please ensure that she is carrying it in her school bag every day she comes to school.

You're invited to a webinar for parents of secondary school age children

Mental Health During the Teenage Years

An hour of practical advice, information and support to help you understand and support your teenager's mental health and wellbeing.



For parents and carers of young people in secondary school



Practical tips and strategies you can use at home



Understand common challenges and how to respond



Support your teenager's wellbeing with confidence

FREE ONLINE EVENT



Monday 21 September 2026

12:30pm – 1:30pm
(1 hour)



Wednesday 30 September 2026

7:00pm – 8:00pm
(1 hour)



Join from the comfort of your home

BOOK YOUR PLACE

Scan the QR code to register and choose your preferred date and time.

☒ Your QR Code Is Ready



Spaces are limited.
Book early to avoid disappointment!

NHS CAMHS
Child and Adolescent
Mental Health Services

Together
we support
young minds

Working together to support
young people and their families.

Webinars for Parents - Children's Wellbeing & Mental Health

The SWLSTG Education Wellbeing Service offers lunchtime and evening parent webinars across the year to help support your child's wellbeing and mental health.

If your child is interested in 1:1 sessions with our in-school NHS Wellbeing Practitioners to help with worries, low mood or anxiety, they can pick up an application form from the pastoral office or speak to your child's Head of Year.

Twilight sign-up via Arbor

Please note, Twilight sessions are released every fortnight on Arbor. The link parents were sent at the beginning of term remains 'live' all term, so please only click on the dates you require your daughter to attend Twilight to book her a space. Thank you.



Students' achievements

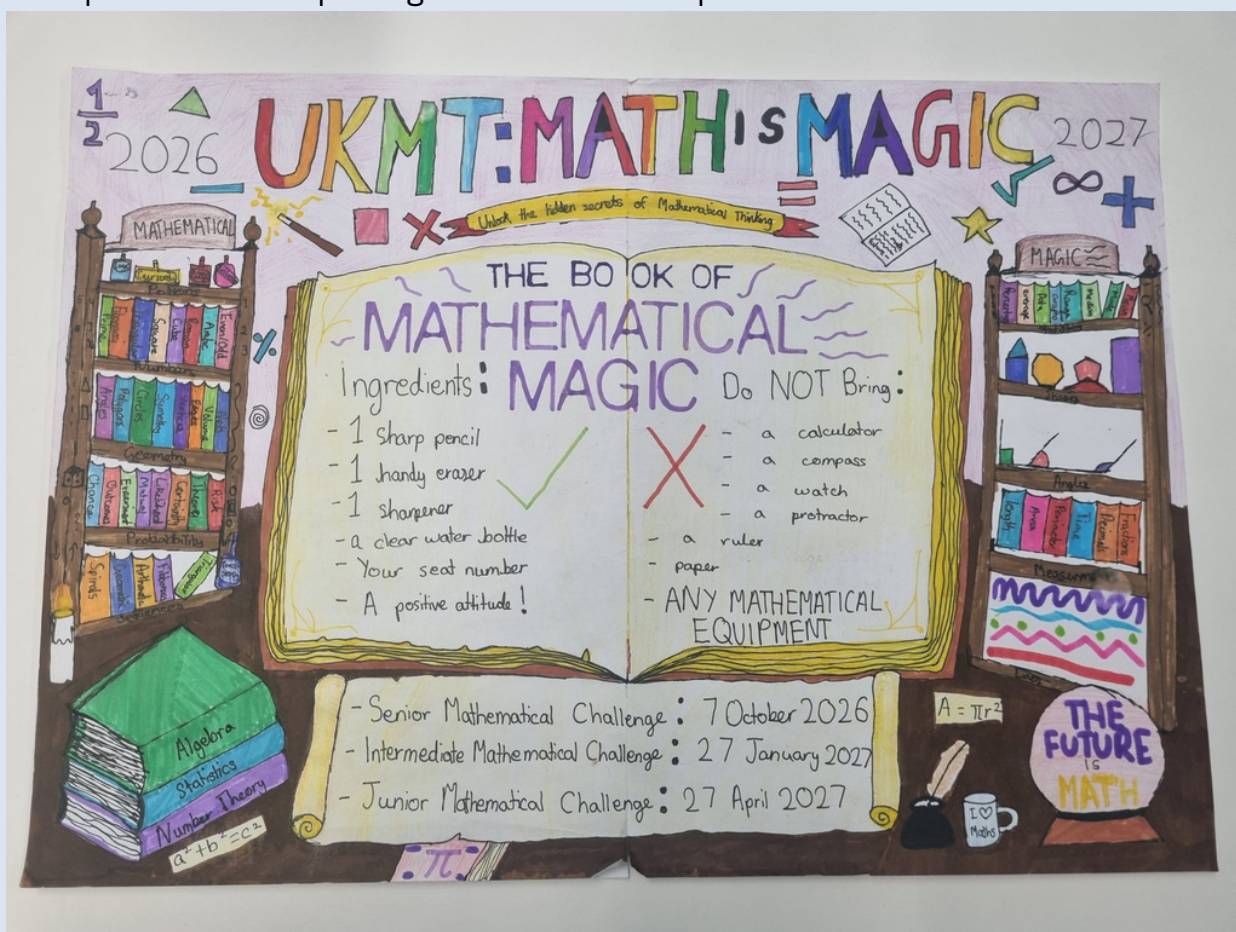
We love to hear about and celebrate our students' many and varied achievements outside of school. Please complete this form to let us know about these and we will try to publish these in our Head of Year newsletters.

UKMT poster competition success

Congratulations to Anvee (8N) and Anya (8N) on their outstanding achievement in the UKMT Poster Competition 2025-26.

The UKMT Poster Competition attracts entries from schools across the country, making this a particularly impressive accomplishment. This year, there were 578 entries, with just one overall winner and seven runners-up. As a result, Anvee and Anya's poster was placed among the top eight entries in the UK, an exceptional achievement that highlights both their creativity and their enthusiasm for mathematics.

Their imaginative poster, Magic Library, explored the theme of magic through a creative blend of mathematical ideas, artistic design, and original thinking. The competition encourages students to communicate mathematical ideas in engaging and innovative ways, combining problem-solving, visual presentation, and clear mathematical thinking. Anvee and Anya embraced this challenge with enthusiasm, producing a poster that stood out for its originality and quality and ultimately earned runner-up status in this prestigious national competition.



UPCOMING DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Week A	
Monday 14th September	Silver DofE qualifying expedition, South Downs RESIDENTIAL
Tuesday 15th September	SET DAY – school is closed for students
Wednesday 16th September	
Thursday 17th September	
Friday 18th September	
Week B	
Monday 21st September	
Tuesday 22nd September	
Wednesday 23rd September	Y8 Parent Information Evening - study skills 18.00-19.00
Thursday 24th September	Y10 Parent Information Evening - study skills 18.00-19.00
Friday 25th September	INSET DAY – school is closed for students