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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,

Today we celebrate the time our Year 11 students have spent in school - most of them since Year 7 - and look back over their time together. Then they begin their study leave and we see them again in June for sixth form induction. They have been preparing wonderful tributes to each other and the staff. Year 13s enjoyed their Prom last Friday and it is their turn to mark the end of an era next week.

You will see the names of our sixth form student leadership in this newsletter - and their roles. Students further down the school in Years 7-12 have responsibilities which match those of the student leaders so that we have teams of students working on charity fundraising, whole school events, House competitions and so on. On June 12th a small number of students will take part in Sutton's Youth Council and on July 1st we will take the whole of school council to Carshalton High School for Girls to celebrate our first ever Girls' Learning Trust student leadership day.

This is the time of year when staff evaluate our school strategic development plan. This involves scrutiny of all our school data which includes survey returns from students, staff and parents. The survey for parents was extended and closes tomorrow so please complete the survey if you have not already done so. It is just one aspect of parent engagement and we need and value your feedback.

Best wishes,  
Ms Cavilla

# UPDATES FROM MRS WILLIAMSON-JONES

## Attendance

Thank you for your continued support with your child's attendance. We continue to be proud of our school's attendance figures and that Nonsuch is a place where students want to attend and learn. As we enter exam season we'd like to remind you of our Attendance policy regarding absences in the lead up to exam leave or during exams in school. In the last two weeks we have noticed an increase in absence. If your child 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. Please refer to the following guidance if you are unsure if your child is well enough to attend school: [Is my child too ill for school?](#) - NHS ([www.nhs.uk](http://www.nhs.uk)).

The Government attendance hub also has information that can help you to make informed decisions: [How to improve your child's school attendance and where to get support](#) - The Education Hub ([blog.gov.uk](http://blog.gov.uk))

You maybe aware that the Government guidance on attendance is becoming statutory on August 19th 2024. They have made changes and tightened regulations around absence from school. We will be updating our policy for September in line with it. If you would like to read the guidance please visit [Working together to improve school attendance](#) - GOV.UK ([www.gov.uk](http://www.gov.uk))

You can monitor your child's attendance data through the School Gateway 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.

	Attendance	Authorised	Unauthorised	Persistent absence >=10%
Y7	98.05	1.55	0.35	2
Y8	97.68	1.77	0.35	1
Y9	96.77	2.63	0.55	8
Y10	96.52	2.81	0.67	11
Y11	94.66	4.04	1.27	20
Y12	96.08	3.17	0.75	13
Y13	93.69	4.78	1.51	32
All	96.21	2.96	0.80	87

All figures in % session attendance summary (4/9/23-29/4/24)

## Students visiting first aid and Class Charts

This week we have set up a reporting system on Class Charts where we log when students visit first aid. This allows us to track students in school and monitor time spent outside of lessons. We have also set up the system so you will receive a notification. Please see below as an example. Please do not panic if you see this notification. Our first aid staff will contact you if we need to speak to you. If you notice a pattern with your child leaving lessons you may want to have a conversation with your child.

Dear Alexis Williamson-Jones,

Intelligence event 'First Aid' occurred for Demo.

Note: Your child visited first aid today.

To view a more detailed behaviour report for Demo please [click here](#).

Kindest regards

Class Charts

[www.classcharts.com](http://www.classcharts.com)

# COMMUNITY NOTICES

## Reporting absence

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

## School office requests

### Hayfever medication

If your child has hayfever, please ensure that they take their medication before coming to school in the morning.

Alternatively, please supply the school with their hayfever medication. This needs to be clearly labelled with your child's name and the dosage required. Please include with it a 'Request for School to Administer Medication' form which you can download from the school website. The medication and completed form should be given in to First Aid.

### GP contact details

When advising school of a change of address, please also update us of any other changes such as GP details and contact numbers. Thank you.

## Jack Petchey Award Ceremony

On Monday April 29th, the Jack Petchey Award winners from January to December 2023 were invited to attend the annual Jack Petchey Awards Ceremony and the Ashcroft Theatre, Fairfield Halls. Students, along with Mrs Kite our catering manager, were presented with their medallions by the Mayor of Sutton. It was an enjoyable evening with some very entertaining performances. We are immensely proud of our award winners, they are a credit to the school. Well done!

Photo from left to right top row: Mrs Kite (Leaders' Award Winner), Esther (Y8), Mayor of Sutton, Liza (Y11)

Photo from left to right bottom row: Sophie (Y13), Vidula (Y10), Victoria (Y13), Olivia (Y13), Ella (Y10).





# SCHOOL AND DEPARTMENT NEWS

## Physics success for Sophie in Y13!

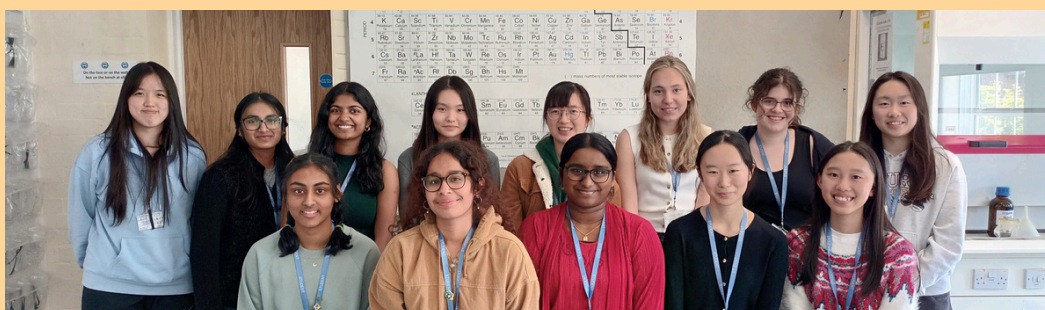
We are so proud of Sophie from Year 13, who has been selected for the Physics Olympiad team to represent Britain and will be going to the European Physics Olympiad in Georgia in July. She has worked so hard, going from success to success, at the @TheBPhO competitions over the years and is an inspiration to our young physicists in NHSG.



## Royal Society of Chemistry Olympiad

Congratulations to all our Year 12 students who completed the RSC Chemistry Olympiad in January. It was wonderful to see so many enthusiastic students who dedicated their time after school to tackle the challenge, striving for excellence in their performance. We are thrilled that Nonsuch students have achieved the highest number of awards in our history. A total of 50 Bronze, 12 Silver, and 1 Gold awards were earned, showcasing our students' exceptional dedication and talent.

Special recognition goes to these Silver award medallists: Barbara, Chloe, Joss, Kajeeva, Akshana, Vishmayaa, Manasi, Yilin, Keerthana, Pari, Isadora, Candice, Ariel, Daisy, Lara, and Julia. Your hard work has truly paid off. There was a standout performance by Jenny, who has made Nonsuch history by securing our first-ever Olympiad Gold award. Jenny's commitment and outstanding performance is inspirational. Congratulations, everyone!



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

## Student leadership team 2024-2024

During the spring term we recruited students for our student leadership teams 2024-2025. As always, we were so impressed by the calibre of our students and their leadership skills. Our congratulations go to the following students:

### Student Leaders

Student	Position
Aaminah	Head Student
Sara	Head Student
Kathleen	Deputy Head Student
Riya	Deputy Head Student
Prajnaa	Deputy Head Student
Aimen	Deputy Head Student
Anusha	Deputy Head Student
Esther	Deputy Head Student

### Arts Team

Student	Position
Thasandi	Arts Captain
Berni	Deputy Arts Captain
Natalia	Deputy Arts Captain
Katie	Deputy Arts Captain
Lili	Arts Prefect
Yuqing	Arts Prefect
Erub	Arts Prefect
Stella	Arts Prefect
Aree	Arts Prefect
Jullianne	Arts Prefect
Lily	Arts Prefect

### CARE Council Representatives

Naa	Leader of Care Council
Adhiba	Deputy CARE Captain
Naerthi	Events Team leader
Sarah	Curriculum Team Leader
Feran	Ally ship and Reporting

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## Student leadership team 2024-2024

### House Team

Student	Position
Sophia	House Captain
Nethira	House Captain
Barbara	Pluto House Official
Anushri	Pluto House Official
Elim	Mars House Official
Emma	Mars House Official
Tanisha	Venus House Official
Julia	Venus House Official
Shreya	Saturn House Official
Adhiraa	Saturn House Official
Menarah	Mercury House Official
Aadvaita	Mercury House Official
Misa	Neptune House Official
Ashritha	Neptune House Official
Nandini	Jupiter House Official
Eti	Jupiter House Official

### Sixth form committee chair/vice chairs

Jessica	Committee Chair
Aaraby	Vice Chair
Thenila	Vice Chair

# SCHOOL AND DEPARTMENT NEWS

## Student shout out: Esther (Y8)

Esther writes: "Over the Easter holidays, I participated in two major squash tournaments. In this first week of April I played for England in Wales, Cardiff, for the Five Nations U13 as girl number 1. This was an amazing experience playing against Wales, Ireland, Scotland and France. My team of three boys and two girls played well: we all won our matches 3-0 up until our last match against France. The team did well to win 3-2, because we were boosted with such an enthusiastic crowd. I made many friends at this tournament and I hope I can play for England again next year. In the second week of April I played for Surrey in the Junior InterCounties as string 1. This event took place in Sheffield and was a lovely experience. Our team won all their matches up to the finals against Wales. The score was 1-1 in matches and there was one match to play. The crowd cheered in hope as each point ended and in the end, Surrey won! This is such a happy memory as this will be my last GU13 Junior Inter-counties. However, I hope to play for Surrey once again but in GU15." Well done, Esther!



## PE - upcoming fixtures

Date	Time	Sport	Team	Location
07/05/24	16:30	Cricket	U13AB	Woldingham
14/05/24	16:30	Cricket	U15AB	Nonsuch
16/05/24	15:30	Cricket	U13	Nonsuch
21/05/24	15:30	Athletics	Y7 - Y10	Nonsuch
10/05/24	15:30	Cricket	Y7AB & Y8AB	Nonsuch
13/05/24	15:30	Cricket	Y9AB & Y10A	Wallington

# UPCOMING DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

<b>Week 1</b>	
Monday 6th May	Bank holiday - school is closed
Tuesday 7th May	Year 9 Exams
Wednesday 8th May	Year 9 Exams
Thursday 9th May	Year 13 last teaching day
Friday 10th May	
<b>Week 2</b>	
Monday 13th May	
Tuesday 14th May	
Wednesday 15th May	Year 8 HPV catchup session
Thursday 16th May	
Friday 17th May	