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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,

Tonight sees our Jack Petchey Award winners, including our Leader Award winner, Ms Pinel, attend the annual awards ceremony. We are very proud of them. There are many achievements celebrated in this newsletter, especially sporting ones, as Nonsuch show themselves to be serious contenders both locally and nationally.

We have sent separate thank yous to the parents, alumnae and other speakers who generously gave of their time at last week's online Careers events "Be Inspired." The speakers gave sage and helpful advice and students asked excellent questions.

Year 10 students have been practising the discipline of revision and readiness for a public examination season. This is a very important term for them. With the exception of students in Year 7, the rest of the school will follow suit in various examination periods.

With best wishes,
Ms Cavilla

UPDATES FROM MRS WILLIAMSON-JONES

Attendance

Thank you for your continued support with your child's attendance.

As we approach the summer exam period we have noticed this week a large increase in the number of students who are absent from school in examination years. As students enter the final stages of preparation I would like to emphasise the importance and value of attendance. Every day in school presents an invaluable opportunity for students to ask questions and gain feedback from their teachers.

Whilst we understand that there are exceptional circumstances where some students may be too unwell to attend school, 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 \(www.nhs.uk\)](https://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 \(blog.gov.uk\)](https://www.blog.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	1.53	0.37	2
Y8	97.58	1.80	0.56	2
Y9	96.89	2.55	0.56	6
Y10	96.42	2.86	0.67	13
Y11	94.93	4.10	0.93	18
Y12	96.19	3.05	4.66	2.93
Y13	93.88	4.66	1.44	30
All	96.28	2.93	0.75	83

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



SCHOOL AND DEPARTMENT NEWS

Y8 - Imperial College competition

Four students from Year 8 recently (Mia, Nethuni, Aashvi and Lilian) took part in an international global intervention competition at Imperial college, London. The students' idea was based around a device for ships that would remove oil spills from the ocean. Only 9 entries were selected as finalists from over 200 teams and this group demonstrated fantastic presentation skills and team work, well done! Many thanks to Mrs Marks, Mr Fraser and Mrs Quinnell for their support and encouragement.

Imperial College
London

Senior Netball - Nonsuch vs Sutton Grammar

Our last netball match of the year on Thursday, April 19th ended in great results for our Nonsuch Senior A and B teams. The A team had a really close game against Sutton Grammar. Nonsuch played so well as a team and really pulled together when some injuries suffered. Their end score was 12-6 to Sutton. However, as we look at the B team game, continuous goals were being scored from each team, which led to a very close end score of 19-13 to Nonsuch! A big well done to the Senior teams for all their hard work!



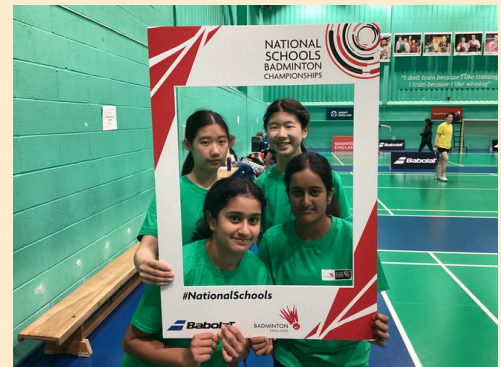
We love to celebrate students' extracurricular activities/achievements outside of school. Please complete [this link](#) so we can share as many of these as possible with the Nonsuch community.

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KS3 Badminton National Schools Finals!

On Saturday April 20th, the KS3 Badminton Team made the journey to the National Badminton Centre in Milton Keynes to compete in the National Badminton Finals against schools from around England. They were representing London and the South East after competing in a County and Regional round to take their rightful place in the finals. After winning all three matches in the group stages and the semi-final match, they faced tough opposition in the final. The Team achieved a silver medal which is a fantastic achievement – well done!

Chenyao, Beini, Yamee and Anaya say: "Saturday was an amazing experience for us and to make it to the finals was something we could not be more proud of. Even though coming second was slightly disappointing, we as a team are still very happy to be the first Nonsuch group to get a medal after the school has participated in the National School Championships for seven years consecutively. We even managed to get signed shirts from Alex Green and Lizzie Tolman (below) since Miss McIntyre accidentally ordered an extra set of shirts! It was an exhilarating opportunity to be able to meet people from the Badminton England Squad, hold a large badminton racquet about a metre long as well as play against schools of similar levels around England. We would like to say a massive thank you to the Miss McIntyre, Mrs Williamson-Jones and Miss Marshall who took the time to support us and take us there. Without them it would not have been possible. We hope to be able to go back to the National Schools Championships next year too!"



UPCOMING DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Week 2	
Monday 29th April	Jack Petchey Foundation Awards – Ashcroft Theatre - 19.30
Tuesday 30th April	
Wednesday 1st May	
Thursday 2nd May	
Friday 3rd May	Year 8 HPV Immunisation
Week 1	
Monday 6th May	BANK HOLIDAY
Tuesday 7th May	
Wednesday 8th May	
Thursday 9th May	
Friday 10th May	