

Nugent News

**Lent
2024**

Another incredibly intense but short Lent term has whizzed by, leaving no prisoners! The Y11's rude awakening to GCSE mocks on the first week back seems a distant memory... surf trips, House revues, Networking events, trips to South Africa and much more besides have followed during this term just past. Your daughters have shown kindness and taken almost every opportunity afforded them, so should be congratulated in getting the big things right.

If we are to focus on a couple of things for next term, it would be resilience and integrity. The exams ahead are tough for many, so there will be plenty having to dig deep and find their inner strength to not just do enough, but to do their best. That's where the integrity comes in, being able to look in the mirror and say to yourself, 'I honestly tried my hardest'.

Wishing all pupils and parents a happy Easter, particularly those in Years 11 & 13, who will be trying to balance rest, work and play. Not long now and it will all be over for them, so I hope they give it their all and revise consistently.



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Term Review

As action-packed terms go, this one felt particularly busy. We had a surf trip at half term run by Miss Cooke that was enjoyed by Summer in Year 9 and there is also a trip to South Africa being enjoyed by Gabi Dixon at the moment, and also a ski trip running now where Nugent is the only house not represented - next time maybe. *(Participation!)*

We had a load of House sports events going on (lots on the sports page) , a new 75" TV for the common room got delivered, with a quality Sony amp and speakers, as well as access to all the various channels and platforms modern TV's have. Oh, and Apple TV so we can all mirror our devices onto it, be it for work or fun.

There was also the revue and a Cappella which were a great successes. Lots of girls taking part in chapel readings and conducting school tours, which I am grateful for, but hope they can also see the benefits in partaking in these.



Academic

For a relatively short term we had a lot of academic success. All the girls worked incredibly hard for their GCSE & A Level mocks. Some had wake-up calls and know what they need to do to achieve success. Chloe Tse scored highest in the school for Y12 British Maths Olympiad, and there have been plenty of Show HsMs for those pushing themselves in lessons and preps. Lizzie, Tami, Emilia and Sarah should be very proud of themselves for scoring the most praise points in their Nugent year group, but I would like to mention Isla in Y13 in particular. Her application this term has been im-

mense. She has led by example, working hard and taking huge pride in her progress, all whilst leading the A Cappella and compering the House revue. Never a grumble or a moan, she's all about focus & determination. Millie Stack is another who has pushed herself this term, and her attitude is appreciated and admired by many, keep it up.

Study Leave this year will be from 13 May for Y11 and 17 May for Y13. Please re-read the e-mail sent centrally from Jonny Gilbert and ensure you let me know ASAP about your plans.

Year 9

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| Lizzie | Phillips | 44 |
| Sunny | Shen | 32 |
| Jess | Mattison | 30 |
| Kenna | Patel | 28 |
| Summer | Liu | 28 |

Year 10

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|--------|-----------|----|
| Tami | Tam | 24 |
| Millie | Stack | 23 |
| Miyu | Katsumata | 22 |
| Mia | Liu | 22 |

Year 11

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|-----------|---------|----|
| Emilia | Dixon | 22 |
| Stephanie | Huang | 16 |
| Nancy | Revill | 16 |
| Leila | Hanison | 14 |
| Serena | Ting | 13 |

Year 12

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|--------|---------|----|
| Sarah | Grzimek | 16 |
| Chloe | Tse | 14 |
| Emma | Gratham | 13 |
| Sienna | Wright | 11 |
| Issy | Steed | 10 |
| Alice | Lock | 10 |

Year 13

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| Isla | Irvin | 11 |
| Selena | Brathwaite | 8 |
| Evie | Clayson | 7 |
| Polina | Lipanova | 7 |
| Rachel | LI | 6 |



Sport

This was a truly epic term for House Sports, but more on that later. Most of the girls played Netball this term, some for the first time ever. It's a super game and very inclusive and so nice to see so many enjoying their Saturdays on the netball courts. Alice Pepper, our Sports Prefect, certainly earned her stripes this term, organising and cajoling various age groups and teams to be at the right place at the right time - thanks so much Alice. Alice also played in the 1st netball team and gained her full colours this term, no easy feat. Izzie Steed and Evie Ginbey also received their half colours. We were unlucky to miss out on winning the house netball, but we have a great team for next year, that's for sure!



The red of Nugent competed in chess, water polo, netball, football, squash and badminton this term. While we might be at the wrong end of the points table overall this term, it certainly wasn't for the lack of trying. Some of the girls' year groups are less than half the size of other houses, especially the Y10 one. So it is even more remarkable that the 6 girls in that year (Miyu having returned to Japan early) managed to even put out a team in football. Yet we did, everyone took part and we won 2 drew 1, scored 15 goals (Berties scoring an amazing 14!) and Y10 won the football! (Celebrating with pizza, right).

We also came 2nd in senior water polo, 1st in senior badminton (overall 2nd in badminton) and we attained a credible 60 pts, when 1st place have 78 points, so all to play for in the Summer term with swimming, cricket & sports day amongst the big ticket events to look forward to.





Performing Arts

Y11 & 13 scripted exams have been completed as well as Lamda exams. There have been various trips and auditions for next terms dell play, and EBCTV will be back on our screens next term. Our main House event this term was the a Cappella, which hopefully most of you managed to watch. We were simply awesome, especially Jess who stood in last minute, and Isla and Selena who organised the whole thing. Well done to all those involved. Ultimately Craig won, but seeing how much it meant to them at the end (it be- low), made it difficult to resent their victory. A huge well done to all those who have completed various music and musical theatre gradings - we have a very talented bunch in House.



House Revue

Thank you once again for attending the House revue this year, the only time when the whole Nugent community do get together. The girls were fabulous and I am incredibly impressed every year when, largely left to their own devices, they pull it together (usually a little last minutes, but nevertheless it works!). Miss Horridge obviously has a huge part to play, but she would hate me to single her out for being amazing, so I shan't do that. Here are some pics from the night courtesy of Polina.



Service

Nugent managed to raise over £250 at the revue, the monies going to the Multiple Sclerosis Society. Gabi Dixon has now completed leading cadet, methods of instruction and the advanced training syllabus and been promoted to Instructor Cadet status. Several pupils tutor maths to pupils in the Coastal Schools Partnership, several have stepped up and offered to do readings in chapel or All Saints in front of the whole school. Lots of pupils have also conducted tours around the school to potential pupils and parents, all of whom have done so with real pride.



It's worth mentioning the visit of Prof. Keith Magee, the numerous networking opportunities and the debating and EAL provision here at the college. The girls have taken many of these opportunities to try new things and be open minded. I and my fellow HsMs are always there to support the pupils in our House who have a go, and there's no better feeling than watching them take a bow or say 'glad I tried that, it was really enjoyable!'

Looking ahead.....

Next term starts on a Tuesday, so boarders back in house on Monday from 6pm please (unless by prior arrangement). The term starts with a bang, and Y12 will be submitting applications for leadership roles within house in the first week. Cricket, tennis and athletics will be played, but there will also be house swimming and the legendary sports day to look forward to!

The Y11 dinner will be organised by Nugent & Powell this year, so hoping for lots of ideas and help from them please!

Helen and I will continue the usual Wednesday night Family dinners, the Study room will be set up for pupils revising for exams and the New TV will be used for lots of fun and games. Hoping there's someone with an old Wii and/or a karaoke machine we can hook up to it to keep morale up! Talking of which, The Wellbeing Hub <https://club.teentips.co.uk/home/parents/> has several new podcasts to listen to over the Easter break including: Podcast : Sex, drugs and rock n roll! When should we have these difficult conversations with our children? with Dr Maryhan Baker, Psychologist and Parenting Expert. Podcast: Revision skills: How to revise effectively with Steve Badger, Deputy Head in charge of Teaching and Learning at Lord Wandsworth College and Creating a revision timetable that works for you from King's School, Chester. I hope you are all utilising this excellent resources to support yourselves and daughters.

Dates for your diary

Mon 15 Apr 8:30amStaff inset

Mon 15 Apr 8:00pmTerm Starts

Fri 26 Apr 6-8pmY11 Dinner

Sat 4 May 9-12am...Y10 Parents meeting
(*Exeat begins. After games*)

Mon 6 Feb 6pm.....Term resumes

Mon 13 May.....Y11 Study Leave

Mon 20 May.....Y13 Study Leave

Fri 25 May 2:15pm.....Half term begins

2:45pm Y9 options meeting

Sun 2 Jun 6pm.....return from HT

Fri 28 Jun.....ALL required for Sports Day

Sat 29 Jun 4pmEnd of Term

Sat 29 Jun 7pmCornflower Ball



This week's content
Week commencing 25th March

Podcast: Sex, drugs and rock n roll! When should we have these difficult conversations with our children?
with Dr Maryhan Baker, Psychologist and Parenting Expert



PLEASE REMEMBER:

- If you are taking your daughter out of school at any point, it is essential that you please send a one line e-mail, confirming that you are assuming responsibility for them during that period. **The girls must also sign out.**
- Return times from exeats, half terms and holidays are strictly kept, and there is a good chance I will not be in until the return time stated in the White Book.
- The school retain the right to send pupils back home if they are not following the usual school rules at study leave



Final word from Eastbournian Society : - -
 - Do you miss being involved in your child's prep or primary school parents' committee?
 - Do you enjoy fundraising and organising social events and activities?
 - Do you enjoy short-term or long-term projects?



Would you like to get to know more of the parents associated with your child's school house and year?

The Eastbournian Society is looking for volunteers who might have some spare time to put towards founding a Parents' Group to work alongside us on a voluntary basis. If you interested in becoming involved, contact Helen Medlycott on hmedlycott@eastbourne-college.co.uk

