

# Happy New Year

13/01/22

Dear Parents, Carers, Students,  
Staff and Friends of the School



Pupils have returned from the Christmas holiday with renewed energy and spirits. I hope all families have felt the benefits of some precious time together.

We finished last term with our Christmas Concert, Prize Giving, Mass for Y12/13. On the last day we had a special Advent celebration for Years 7-11. It was fantastic to be able to gather together and raise the roof with our carols and Christmas songs medley.

We invited representatives from the 8 charities that we raised money for through our Sponsored Walk. We were able to give each of them a cheque for over £2,000! Each of them gave a moving speech of how the money will enable them to support people in need.

Congratulations to Jerusalem House for winning the Charity House Cup for the highest number of students that donated to the Sponsored Walk Charities.

Beyond the celebrations, schools must plan for more difficult situations. Fire alarms are an obvious example, but perhaps less obvious is a **school lockdown**. Such plans are made in order that we are prepared for a worst-case scenario, i.e., somebody attempting to enter the site to cause harm. Thankfully such situations are incredibly rare. Next week pupils will watch a short video that outlines what they would need to do in such a situation. A key message from the video is that **we do not need to worry but we must all know the plan**. The school will reassure any pupils that need additional support, but it is worth parents and carers being aware in advance, should you wish to talk to your child about it. Please contact your child's Head of Year should you have any concerns.



Best Wishes,

Tom Pinnington

"Lord I love you" – Last words of Pope Benedict.

## Updated School Calendar

We have updated the calendar on our website. You can access it from the bottom of our homepage <https://www.ndhs.org.uk/>. It lists key events including upcoming parents evenings, special assemblies, school opening and closing dates etc.



If you click on the 'full calendar' button it gives you all the events in each month. On that page there is a 'subscribe' button if you wish our dates to be automatically added to your own digital calendar.

The 'View Term Dates' button gives you an at a glance page of when our holidays are. We have also added downloadable pdf versions of our academic year dates for 2022-23 and 2023-24.

## School Equipment

As we start a new term, please can you check that your child has all their required equipment including:

- 2 black pens
- a blue pen (for self-marking)
- a pencil and pencil sharpener
- a ruler
- an eraser
- a glue stick
- a compass and protractor
- a calculator
- a reading book
- a planner





# MUSIC LUNCHTIME GROUPS



Day	Group	Teacher	Room
MONDAY	Jazz group	Mr Hodges /Ms Curtis	14
TUESDAY	Strings group	Ms Curtis	15
WEDNESDAY	Choir	Mrs Selwood/ Mrs Ball /Ms Curtis	14
	Brass group	Mr Dockray	15
THURSDAY	Rock groups	Mr Poynton	14/15
FRIDAY	Wind Band	Mrs Selwood / Mrs Evans /Ms Curtis	14

Starting next week (from Monday 9<sup>th</sup> January)! New faces are very welcome this term!



Turn up at 12:30pm and bring your lunch and instruments. Rehearsals start at 12:45 until 1:15pm. We will be rehearsing towards various concerts and special events which will take place throughout the year.



## Online Safety Webinars.



**NORFOLK**  
CONSTABULARY

Are you a parent or carer, or someone who looks after children?

Norfolk Constabulary's Safer Schools Team and their colleagues in Prevent (Counter Terrorism), Cyber Security and the Safeguarding Children Online Team will be delivering two webinars about keeping children safe online.

Select a session below to reserve your spot:

### Session One

Tue 7 Feb 2023 | 11:00 - 12:00

### Session Two

Tue 7 Feb 2023 | 16:00 - 17:00



## Culture carnival

2022/23

Next year, we will have the following:

- **Culture evening for parents:**  
**16/03/23**
- **Culture day, for the whole school:**  
**17/03/23**

Here are 3 ways to take part..

### 1 Contribute to the Art Exhibition Gallery.

- ❖ Bring an object or picture about your heritage and origins.
- ❖ Write a short paragraph to explain its significance ( 500 words max)

### 2 If you would like to bring food on that day, email [Oiyaji@ndhs.org.uk](mailto:Oiyaji@ndhs.org.uk)

To create your 2- minute documentary for culture day, here is what you need to do:

Make a short video or PowerPoint on the following:

- where you come from
- your cultural attire,
- your favourite cultural food
- your cultural dance ( if you like 😊 )
- you can also use pictures to help you express your ideas .

Then email it to [Oiyaji@ndhs.org.uk](mailto:Oiyaji@ndhs.org.uk) or [Kstewart@ndhs.org.uk](mailto:Kstewart@ndhs.org.uk)

### Salsa and Bollywood dance Training:

Sign up if you want to join our the above dance groups ( in P20 ).

Training starts in January.  
Boys and girls are invited...  
training starts soon.

Sign up with Mrs Iyaji in P20 : [oiyaji@ndhs.org.uk](mailto:oiyaji@ndhs.org.uk) or Mrs Stewart : [Kstewart@ndhs.org.uk](mailto:Kstewart@ndhs.org.uk), please indicate which dance you would like to join.



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Express your cultural identity . using any of the following:

Paintings Sculpture Art

- 1st prize: **£50** gift voucher.
- 2nd prize: **£25** gift voucher
- 3rd prize : **£10** gift voucher

**Deadline for entries:**  
**17th of February 2023**



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# CHINESE NEW YEAR SPECIAL MENU

**Tues  
17th**

Sweet and Sour Chicken or  
Kung Po Chicken Style Vegan  
Stir-Fry

Lime and Coriander Rice  
Asian Cucumber Salad  
Prawn Crackers

