

Parent Newsletter - 17th Oct 2025

## **Nubian House - Mr Strett**

Hello and welcome to Nubian House, as a house that is built on the morals and goals of resilience, kindness, peace and courage. Our goal is to be the best that we can be to support others on our journey.

I am extremely excited about our journey together this year and all of the amazing opportunities we have to shine and excel.



Keep a smile on your face and good intentions in all that we do and we will continue to be 1% better each and every day.



We are very much looking forward to celebrating with our Year 7 students at their fancy dress Halloween Quiz next week, Tuesday 21st October, 4.15-5.15pm. Booking via the Halloween Quiz Google Form is essential, the deadline to complete this has been extended.



## **Attendance**

We are absolutely thrilled to see that the attendance levels have remained high throughout this term. Thank you for your support here. Wonderful to see that we are literally off the dial.

Thank you for all your support
this term. We remain
exceptionally proud of our
students. We are looking
forward to seeing all our
students back at 8.15am on
Tuesday 4th November.

### Sport update

This term has seen some fantastic results for Kingsdown sports teams. The picture shows our Year 9 boys football team who travelled to Marlborough College in the County Cup and with a slightly depleted team due to injuries and illness managed to secure a tight 2-1 win.

Other successes this term saw our Year 8 boys football team beat a strong LPA team 6-0 in the 2nd round of the English Schools Cup. Whilst on the girls side our u14 and u16 teams have seen major successes in the Swindon tournaments. The u16's beat Swindon Academy convincingly and u14's managed to beat 3 other Swindon schools in their pool. Our u16's finished 5th in Swindon in the last tournament. Well done to all our students who represented Kingsdown showing pride and ambition.

The year 8 team won the Swindon town tournament and will represent Swindon town in a regional tournament and have the chance of playing for Swindon town at Wembley.







### **ATLs**

Reports will be in MCAS next week

#### Next Steps:

- Celebration of what is going well:
  - What is happening in these lessons that is allowing success?
- Supporting at home:
  - Is there any support needed at home?
  - Can you help test the core knowledge from Knowledge Organisers by regular quizzing?
  - How can you encourage a healthy school / home balance?
  - Do you need to speak to your child's tutor or progress leader?

## **Assemblies this week**

his week's student assembly focused on hate crime and the importance of a supportive community, using the metaphor of the domino effect.

Students learned that every small action, positive or negative, creates a ripple. The main message was that everyone is the "first domino", and by choosing empathy and courage—specifically by speaking up against mistreatment—students can initiate a powerful chain reaction of kindness, belonging, support, and safety.

# Future events and important dates

- 22.10.25 End of term 1 school finishes at 2.45pm
- 03.11. 25 T D Day / River Learning Trust whole school meetings school closed to students
- 04.11. 25 Start of term 2 All students return at 8.15am and go to their roll call areas
- 04.11.24 Careers Week
- 10.11.25 Literature Festival (all week)
- 10.11.25 Year 11 Mocks (2 weeks)
- 23.11.25 Twickenham Rugby trip
- 26.11.25 Recital Evening 6.30pm
- 27.11.25 Keeping your child safe evening 6.00pm

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With our continued thanks.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or need any further information.

Please be reminded that we have a 5 day response time.

Mrs Leigh-Bennett Headteacher

