



10 November 2023

Dear Parent / Carers

Welcome Back

I hope your child has settled back into school life following a well-deserved holiday! I am sure that you all had a wonderful break and enjoyed special time with friends and family. Your child's time away from their everyday tasks at school can be remarkably restorative. I am confident that, as always, your child has returned to school with renewed enthusiasm and energy!

Standards and Expectations

I want to celebrate the fact that the majority of our students in year 9 are incredible. They always look professional, they are prepared for learning and are respectful to staff and fellow students. I hope your child will continue to be kind, thoughtful and supportive of their peers. I will be closely monitoring those students that can occasionally find it difficult to adhere to school policies and expectations.

Anti-Bullying Week

Next week is Anti-Bullying Week. The theme of 'Make A Noise About Bullying' came about following consultation with teachers and pupils by the Anti-Bullying Alliance which coordinates Anti-Bullying Week every year in the UK. We wanted a theme that empowered them to do something positive to counter the harm and hurt that bullying causes. The nature of the activities will encourage young people to consider what bullying means to us, how banter can turn into something more hurtful, and what we can do to stop bullying. On Friday all year 9s will be able to wear odd socks. It's a great way to celebrate what makes us all unique in Anti-Bullying Week!

College Assemblies

Week commencing 20th your child will be attending College Assemblies. This assembly is an opportunity for the college communities to reaffirm the ties that bind: it ensures they stay connected.

- This assembly will allow your child to develop a feeling of being united and promoting our CORE ethos.
- Understand the school systems.
- Promote core school values and positive behaviours
- Confidence building and preparing students for 'life beyond NLS' including leadership opportunities

Monday - Manor

Tuesday - Blackdown

Wednesday - Park

Thursday - Binswood

Friday – Croft

Careers in Year 9

How school relates to and prepares students for their future career aspirations is a key aspect of the curriculum journey here at NLS. The focus for the Y9 Careers Curriculum is Opening Doors. As part of the curriculum Year 9 will Open Doors by gathering information to inform their choices of GCSEs, researching sectors of employment, researching different careers so that they can answer the questions:

- How do careers link to the curriculum subjects I take?
- What job sectors are there?
- How can I find out about careers?
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The careers curriculum will take place during tutor time sessions in all three terms. In addition they will have a series of careers focused assemblies as well as events where they will be able to interact with external providers from both education and employment/training, so that they can Open Doors to post 16 choices and the world of work.

Support for Mock Interviews:

As we approach an important milestone in our students' academic journey, we would like to bring your attention to the upcoming Year 11 mock interviews taking place on Tuesday 28th November.

These play a crucial role in preparing our students for future job interviews and college admissions processes. They provide a valuable opportunity for them to practice their communication skills, build confidence, and receive constructive feedback from professionals in various fields.

We would greatly appreciate your support in this endeavour. If you are interested in volunteering as an interviewer or your company /employer could support us in future careers events, or you have any further questions , please feel free to reach out to us here at the careers department : careers@northleamington.co.uk - Tel: 01926 338711 ext. 8429.

Electronic Consent for Yearly Flu Vaccinations for students in Years 9

We have received information from Coventry & Warwickshire School Immunisation & Vaccination Service that flu vaccinations will take place for students in Year 7 to 11 on **30 November 2023** here at North Leamington School.

You will need to complete the NHS electronic consent form and the attached document has the link to this form along with information regarding the process and links to further supporting information.

The link is also below for you. The consent form is to be completed for you to consent YES for your child to receive the flu vaccine or NO you do not consent to your child being given the flu vaccine.

Unique consent link:

<https://iv.covwarkpt.nhs.uk/form?identifier=3d413c3b-ae2-4eaa-a3e5-2d1569fca32>

The link to provide consent will close on **19/11/2023** and it will not be possible to access the link and give consent after this date.

Should you have any questions please contact the Immunisation & Vaccination Service and their contact details are on the attached documents and also below. Please do not contact us as we will not be able to answer queries you may have relating to the vaccine programme.

Tel: 01926 353899

Email: SOUTHIMMS@covwarkpt.nhs.uk

Thank you for your ongoing support
Kind regards

Mr Royle
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