



Noadswood

Noadswood Blazer – Year 10

Back in September, Miss Fitzgerald and I began visiting the eight Year 10 tutors groups, each of us knew the pupils from our houses previously but this term it has been fantastic to get to know more of the year group.

During the first few weeks I realised quickly how brilliant the year group were with being involved in life at Noadswood. An epraise message one evening asking for volunteers to assist Mr Lewis and Miss Gates with the Year 11 Careers Fayre and I was hit with so many offers, I had to turn some people away. This event will be an incredible opportunity next year for the year group to speak to colleges, apprenticeship providers and local businesses about what the pupils can do post Noadswood, but many of the representatives personally contacted the school to commend the Year 10 volunteers on their amazing support to the event.

Following this event, Miss Hyland was looking for Year 10 peer reading supporters, some of the year group would have benefited previously in Year 7 and 8 with a peer reading buddy with this reading intervention. Again the offers of support flooded in from Year 10 pupils, whilst this half term has been a little tricky with pupils isolating, Year 10 have got to know their Year 7 or 8 buddy and helped them to feel confident with their reading. Well done Year 10 Peer Reading buddies.

As extra-curricular activities have returned this term, alongside sporting clubs, it has been wonderful to see each tutor group represented in Student Voice and our newly formed Eco Club. Do keep an eye out Year 10 on opportunities to get involved in the new year.

It is always a delight to hear from pupils and parents as to the year group achievements outside of school. Congratulations to Max and Wyatt on securing a place in the London Irish development squad this term and to Ella standing in last month's Hampshire Youth Parliament election. Ella produced a presentation which she then recorded as a video for pupils to watch, before pupils were asked to take part in the ballot. Congratulations to Ella on being appointed as a SMYP in the Hampshire Youth Parliament. It has also been great to hear that Emily and Camron have been successful in their application to be a member of the Hampshire Contingent with Scouts for the World Jamboree in South Korea in 2023, good luck to both of you with the fundraising.

Parents please do let us know about your child's achievements, it is always a pleasure to celebrate this with them.

Since the launch of work experience this term via epraise to pupils and parents for June 2023, many pupils have been securing fantastic opportunities in local businesses and a huge thank you to Mr Lewis our careers adviser for his support to the pupils with finding many of

these placements. All of Year 10 will be out on work experience for the week of the 6th June, but in order to complete all the preliminary paperwork we require confirmation and forms back to us by mid January. Spare forms and letters available in the Key Stage 4 office, pop up Year 10 before the end of term to pick up your copy.

Whilst assemblies have now returned to the virtual world for the time being, last week I spoke to the year group about the next two years, the opportunities on offer for each of them, extra curricular clubs, prefect roles and senior prefect roles, college visits, VESPA and of course Prom and Result Day 2023. I look forward to recording our end of term celebration assembly during the last week of term, awarding prizes for outstanding achievements, most improved and of course our first Year Leader Award.

Wishing you all a wonderful Christmas and New Year.

Miss K Rawlinson & Miss L Fitzgerald