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## Dear Parents, Guardians, Carers, Staff & Governors

January often feels like a long month but this year, time is zipping by! Some good news is that we have successfully applied for the replacement of the school boilers to more energy efficient and modern ones. This work is beginning very soon, the transfer over will take place around Easter. We all know with the increases to energy costs and the importance of energy efficiency that this is a good step forward for the school. We are looking forward to some laughs this week with our annual FONS Comedy Night which sold out quickly. The opportunity to come together for a good cause and a fun evening will no doubt make us all feel positive. And speaking of positivity - a big shout out to all those students who have visited our office on a Friday break time when nominated for Headteachers' Hot Chocolate. It reminds us every week of how great our students are and what a credit they are to both the school and their family. Having a chat with them is a lovely way to end our week!

Best wishes

Niki Clemenger & Richard Cole  
Co-Headteachers



Former student Raliat has founded One Syllable, a dance and music company whilst in her final year at Loban. Ms Acham went to support her fundraising event and was so proud of her courage and passion for using her platform to ask probing questions about dance training and the aesthetics of contemporary dance. We do hope we will get to see her work at Norwood.

**SOLD OUT**

A fundraiser for The Norwood School  
Thursday 25th January 2024

★ **COMEDY NIGHT** ★

Kerry Godliman | Harry Hill | Peter Rethinasamy  
Angela Barnes | Josh Widdicombe | Chantel Nash

A collage of six circular portraits of the comedy night performers: Kerry Godliman, Harry Hill, Peter Rethinasamy, Angela Barnes, Josh Widdicombe, and Chantel Nash.

## Mr Wolstenholme's Go Fund Me page



Thank you to everyone who has already started to support Mr Wolstenholme's epic venture to raise money for a new Grand Piano -he says, ' We have a number of pianists coming through the school who are very talented and we should have a piano for performances that really matches the standard that they are achieving. Otone doing her Grade 8 springs to mind instantly. If this is something you would like to support - then visit his 'Go Fund Me' page for more information. £2,190 already raised!

## Highlights of the Week

Our walkabout took us to see Science in action this week, following on from our most recent training at the INSET day after the Christmas break, it was great to see the strategies discussed in action.

Ms Banerjee was discussing how lenses are used, inviting responses from her class as well as using cold calling. Mr Rogers was looking at atomic structure - again the use of cold calling was evident. Ms Perrot's class were working independently whilst she offered support and encouragement on the squeaky pop test! Ms O'Neill's class were at the beginning stages of an experiment on the decomposition of copper carbonate. Dr Wright's class were learning about ionic lattices - the class were listening attentively to his explanations about a tricky subject and he was using analogies to help them remember key information. Mr MacDonald was certainly applying 'no opt out' in his endeavours to get a student to explain how HIV is transferred from mother to child in the womb. His cajoling almost garnered the correct answer. It was nice to see him thank the student for his efforts before moving on.

And last but not last, Mr Norris was getting some excellent answers from students about covalent bonds. Again 'cold calling' was evident and the vast majority of students were able to give accurate responses to questions. *Why not ask your children about the way their teachers are checking their progress?*

## Important Dates

- FON Comedy Night Thursday 25th Jan
- Yr 10 Parents Eve Thursday 8th February 4:30 - 7pm
- Yr 11 Mock week 1 WB 5th Feb
- Half Term 12th - 16th Feb
- Yr 11 Mock week 2 WB 19th Feb
- Whole School Careers Event All Day Wed 21st Feb (12:40pm closure for Yr 7 - 10)
- Yr 9 Pathways/Parents Evening Thursday 22nd Feb
- Year 11 Info Evening Thursday 14th March

## Hot Chocolate with the Heads this week

### Congratulations to:

- Ephrem Casebow 7LGO
- Ana Constandis 8GJO
- Harry Nash 9KAU
- Sarah Hernandez Lima 10DWO
- Roendy Beltran Moreta 11LSK
- Alina Duchesne-Spercynska 12HAI
- Saint Emmanuel Irhabor 13JFR

Mr Norris's and Ms O'Neill's class



Ms Banerjee's class



Ms Perrot's class



Mr Rogers' class



Dr Wright's class



Mr MacDonald's class

