

# FRIDAY NEWS!

Newlands Girls' School, Farm Road, Maidenhead, Berkshire, SL6 5JB



Friday 24<sup>th</sup> September 2021  
Term 1 - No. 3

## Acting Co-Headteachers' Message



We are busy preparing for another important occasion in the Newlands calendar; the opportunity for prospective pupils and their families to find out about and meet our wonderful staff and students at Open Evening. This is something that the parents of our current Year 7 cohort disappointingly missed out on last year. Three or four times a week we are running tours of the school and it is a real pleasure to show groups our fantastic school community. They often comment that it is hard to believe there are over 1200 young people in the school, and are particularly impressed by the articulation of students when explaining their work. This is why we are so grateful to the many of our pupils who are able to come and help us on the evening of Tuesday October 5<sup>th</sup> when our Open Evening will run from 5pm until 8pm. Please remember that the school will close early on that afternoon and will start slightly later the next day, at 10.05 am. (A reminder that the school gates will open at 9.45 am).

For the safety and comfort of all involved in Open Evening, we are asking that visitors wear masks as an extra protection for everyone. Wearing masks for the staff and students involved is optional.

Last week we mentioned the return to a wide variety of school clubs. The full list of what is on offer can be accessed here [\\_ Extra-Curricular - All Year Groups - Newlands Girls' School](#)

Finally, we would like to wish you all a very happy and restful weekend.

**Miss J. Capon, Mr M. Henshaw (and Teal!)**  
**Acting Co-Headteachers**

## Charity Walk

My two friends and I, currently in Year 12, have decided to take part in a community walk in order to raise money for UNICEF. We want to raise awareness of the increasing problem of child poverty. During these difficult times, more children are finding themselves affected by poverty due to the limitation of resources.



UNICEF is a charity that works with over 190 countries to rebuild and shape the lives of children in poverty. They help to provide educational and medical rights. These are basic human rights that every child deserves to have. If you would like to sponsor us, please follow the link below. The funds that are raised will go directly to UNICEF.

Many thanks!

**Jahnavi Nanda (12C) and Ria Sangha (12D)**

[https://www.gofundme.com/f/maidenhead-charity-walk?utm\\_source=customer&utm\\_medium=copy\\_link&utm\\_campaign=p\\_cf+share-flow-](https://www.gofundme.com/f/maidenhead-charity-walk?utm_source=customer&utm_medium=copy_link&utm_campaign=p_cf+share-flow-)

[www.unicef.org.uk](http://www.unicef.org.uk)

## DACT News

**BURBERRY**

Tatiana Bertholdi (Yr 10) recently received an email confirming that she was successful in becoming one of the top 60 finalists for the Burberry 'Capsule Closet' competition! This was despite them receiving an overwhelming number of entries. Her presentation was very detailed and innovative in terms of meeting the brief.

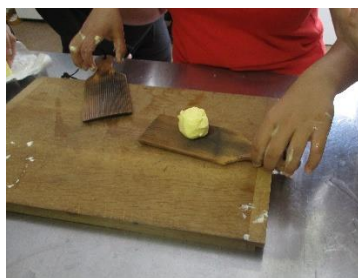


Tatiana will take part in a virtual 'meet the Burberry team' in October and will receive a coveted Burberry prize.

This is a fantastic achievement. Well done, Tatiana!

<https://uk.burberry.com/>

## **Waltham Place Trip**



On 15<sup>th</sup> September, a group of Year 10 GCSE Food and Nutrition students took a trip to Waltham Place. The aim of this visit was to introduce the students to the workings of a farm. They were taught the story of food, which included crops, cattle, dairy, butter making and flour milling. This was an excellent opportunity for our students to engage in learning outside the classroom.

Students from Years 7 to 9 are also looking forward to DACT's After School Club on a Thursday (Week 1 only) from 3.15pm - 4.15pm.

**Ms Tina Dudley**  
**Head of DACT**



## **Student Focus Centre**

### **Giving back to the community**

Research suggests that volunteering is positively linked to enhanced wellbeing and improved life satisfaction, with increased happiness and a marked decrease in the symptoms of depression. Volunteering is beneficial for a number of reasons, including:

- The connections it fosters with other people.
- The fun and fulfilment it brings.
- The ability to spend time with nature and enjoy the outdoors.



Greenlink Berkshire is a network of community groups committed to the care of the environment and greener living in Berkshire. Please look at this website to find out more information about some local opportunities.

[www.greenlink-berkshire.org.uk](http://www.greenlink-berkshire.org.uk)

# Safeguarding

Last Friday, the whole school community joined together for a virtual assembly on safeguarding. The presentation served as a timely reminder that safeguarding is everyone's responsibility and highlighted the importance of *doing something*.

If students have a concern, for themselves or their peers, they should reach out to a trusted adult.

## The Safeguarding team at Newlands

<p><b>Designated Safeguarding Lead</b></p> <p>Miss J Capon (Acting Co-Headteacher)</p> 	<p><b>Deputy Safeguarding Lead</b></p> <p>Mrs S Nuttycombe (Assistant Headteacher) (Years 7, 8 and 9)</p> 	<p><b>Deputy Safeguarding Lead</b></p> <p>Mrs G Walton (Assistant Headteacher) (Years 10, 11, 12 and 13)</p> 
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# NPA News

 **Newlands Girls' School Parents' Association**   
proudly presents, the return of the legendary...


# QUIZ NIGHT!

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> October @ 7pm **LIVE** in the School Hall!

**CASH BAR** £25 for a team of 6 or £5 per person **BIG PRIZE RAFFLE**

Order tickets through money transfer to:  
**Newlands Parents / 13444082 / 20-78-58**

Use your surname as reference



## How Can I Help My Child?

Access to phones, social media and the internet means that young people can communicate with others without those caring for them knowing and this can make it difficult when we want to keep them safe.

## A free online workshop for parents and carers

Facilitated through Zoom by Lawrence, Penny and Rhiannon from the Marie Collins Foundation



The Marie Collins Foundation

The Marie Collins Foundation (MCF) is dedicated to supporting victims of online child sexual abuse and exploitation. The foundation advocates for children who have suffered from online abuse so that they are able to recover and live safe and fulfilling lives. It has grown to become a dedicated team of specialists who support those harmed online through direct work with children and their families and advising professionals and governments at local, national and international level.

In this workshop you will have the opportunity to explore, in a safe environment:

- what **online harm** is
- ways you can **effectively help** and support your children
- understand **why and how** children can become victims, and
- how your response can be **vital** in enabling your child to recover.

To apply for a free place, please click on the dates below and complete the form

**Tuesday, 5th October 2021 - 10am to 11.30am**

**Tuesday, 18th November 2021 - 10am to 11.30am**

If you have any questions in respect of this course, or difficulties booking on to it, please contact

[MCFevents@mariecollinsfoundation.org.uk](mailto:MCFevents@mariecollinsfoundation.org.uk)