



MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

It's difficult to believe that we are now at the end of the first term. They say that time flies when you're enjoying yourself and there has been much to both enjoy and feel proud about at Nova so far this year.

Over the past few weeks, as you'll see in these pages, we've been running a Big Draw Month as part of 2019 Big Draw Festival, had a trip to see Blood Brothers, held a Futures Evening for our Year 10 and 11 students and run two charity events. Our Hello Yellow day focused students' attention on the important issue of mental health and wellbeing.



Futures Evening @ Nova Hreod Academy



Blood brothers at New Theatre, Cardiff

We've also held an interhouse netball championship to support students in developing their physical health and promote a healthy sense of competition.

We're always looking to strengthen our communication with parents and the community. So, alongside our newsletter, we're introducing a set of "Did you know...?" messages this year which Mr Wilson has written about here too.

Lastly, please do keep letting us know about the amazing achievements of our students outside of school. We love to celebrate them during assemblies, in tutor time and through the newsletter.

Nick Wells

Headteacher

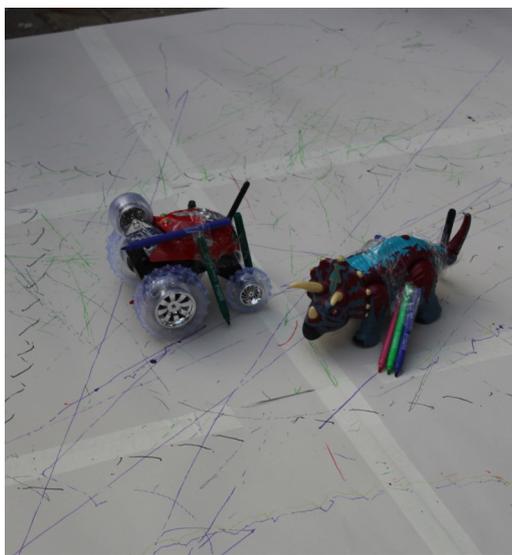
TUTOR REPRESENTATIVES



THE BIG DRAW

Drawing is the only universal language and all throughout October we celebrated drawing across the school, within our assemblies, classes and breaks.

We have seen teachers and students drawing caricatures of each other during lunch breaks and dance drawings where the students have danced across a wide sheet of paper, recording their moves with paint. We have had 'doodle day', 'remote car/dinosaur' drawings where the mechanical cars had a pen attached to them to draw shapes on a large piece of paper, as well as a decoration of house banners. In French, students were paired together and one had to describe an image shown on the screen whilst the other student had to draw it, from just listening to the description in French.



SPORTING FIXTURES



NETBALL

Girls Netball Team

w/c 30th September

Year 7 Lost to Swindon Academy
Year 8 Drew to Swindon Academy POM Risha
Year 9 Won against Swindon Academy POM Bella
U16 Won against Swindon Academy POM Awa

U14 Netball Tournament

Reached the semi-final finishing 4th in Swindon, beating LPA, APS, Commonweal and Bradon. POM Matilde



w/c 7th October

Year 7 Lost to St Josephs POM Amy
Year 9 Won to St Josephs POM Bella
U16 Won to St Josephs POM Tiya
U16 Netball Tournament
Drew to Kingsdown, RWBA, Lost to Bradon and Warneford.
Won against Dorcan in 4th Place

w/c 14th October

Year 9 Won to Ridgeway POM Brianna
U16s Won to Ridgeway POM Tiya
Year 9 Won to Commonweal POM Brianna
U16s Lost to Commonweal POM Tiya

RUGBY

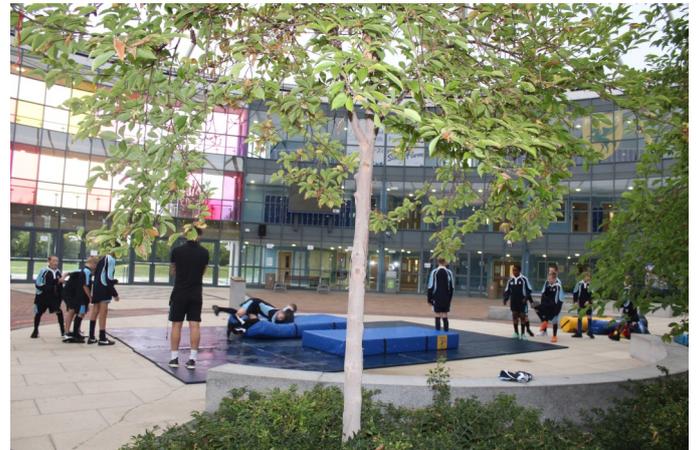
Boys Rugby Team

Year 7 Won against Swindon Academy POM Korri.

Year 8 Won against Swindon Academy POM Luke



Rugby Training Session.



Interhouse netball tournament. Congratulations Cygnus!



DID YOU KNOW?

You don't need to be a subject expert to support your child's learning, just general encouragement and supporting your child build and maintain a habit of reading, is a consistent message of how important school is to their future.

We will be sending out regular 'Did you know' tweets through our school Twitter feed @NovaHreodUL with a cycle of themes to help support both parents and students about home study, revision for exams, attendance and other topics. Please keep an eye out for these Twitter nudges.



Nova Hreod Academy @NovaHreodUL

"Did you Know? You can check your child's home study tasks and when they are due on epraise? So long as the school has your email address on file, you automatically have an account!"

Parents, welcome to:
Schoolgateway

Keeping you informed of what's going on at school.

Download the app Android and iPhone

or visit the website:
www.schoolgateway.com

Activate your account today!

The advertisement features a hand holding a smartphone displaying the Schoolgateway app interface. The app screen shows a student's profile for 'Paul Good' with details like 'Over-riding School', 'Attendance (11 missed lessons) 88%', 'Timetable', 'Payments', 'Behaviour (0 points)', 'Achievement (10 points)', 'Assessment', and 'Student Details'. The app icon is a blue infinity symbol.

Parents please ensure that your notification settings on the School Gateway APP are turned ON. This is a Free APP for you to download and the school uses it to send notifications to you about your child. Parents can also contact the school using the app, rather than using the phone or email.

EVENTS COMING UP

The Month Ahead

November

Swindon Youth Festival of Literature - Starting on Monday 4th

GCSE Presentation Evening - Thursday 14th

Cross Country Championships - Saturday 16th

A full calendar of events and more information can be found at <https://www.novahreodacademy.org.uk>

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