



A MESSAGE FROM THE VICE PRINCIPAL



We are busy working our way through the second set of Best In Everyone assessments, now that departure of year 11 has left us sad and excited in equal measure. We enjoyed clapping our scholars out on Monday as NovaFest culminated in a wonderful celebration in the Atrium, with all the Year 11s being clapped and cheered as they walked out of the school for the last time. Year 10 looked on with wry smiles, knowing that they have big shoes to fill and a steep path to climb over the following 12 months! We are looking forward to the Summer Ball and wish each of our wonderful Year 11s an excellent summer break as they prepare to get their results and take their first steps into the future that we have all been preparing for, together.

We were very lucky last week to have had two events on in the form of the Art Exhibition and the Summer Concert. In both cases, we were able to enjoy the hard work of our scholars in their artistic and musical endeavours. We are very lucky to have such a talented cohort of scholars at Nova that continually surprise and delight with their hard work: well supported, of course, by their parents and carers. A big thank you to the teachers and support staff who have made these events possible for us to enjoy. There is still more to come: Look out for the Nova show which this year is **Matilda** – a must see event in the calendar prior to the end of term.

On the athletics track, our scholars have been hard to beat and we have managed to garner a number of places in the top three across multiple disciplines. In the Swindon Schools' Championships we did very well across boys and girls events – a real testament to the dedication and hard work of all involved – thanks to the PE department for ensuring that we get out to these important events and turn up at such a competitive level. Excellent news for all concerned!

Mr Delap

Vice Principal Teaching and Learning, Literacy

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

JUNE 2024

Friday 28th—Paris Trip

JULY 2024

Monday 1st to Friday 5th—Our World Week

Friday 5th—Year 11 Summer Ball

[Tuesday 9th—Year 10 Parents' Evening](#)

Thursday 11th—Sports Day

Wednesday 17th—Year 7,8, 9 Achievement Review Day

Thursday 18th and Friday 19th— Matilda

Thursday 25th—Last day of Term

AUGUST 2024

Thursday 22nd—GCSE Results Day

For more information visit: www.novahreodacademy.org.uk

THIS WEEK'S TOP EPRAISE SCHOLARS



YEAR 10 PARENTS' EVENING

Tuesday
9th July
2024

4.30pm - 7pm

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HOUSE CHAMPIONSHIP FRIDAY CHALLENGE

Congratulations to Cygnus House, winners of 250 points in the penalty shoot out challenge.



Congratulations to Pegasus House, winners of 250 points in the connect 4 challenge.

PEGASUS HOUSE/YEAR 7 UPDATE

Welcome to Term 6 of the academic year! We have a lot in store for all scholars over the next few weeks.

Firstly, I'd like to offer my congratulations to our Year 11 class of 2024 who have officially completed secondary school. From all the Heads of House we wish you the best of luck and success as you start this new chapter of your lives.

I would also like to highlight the below successes that both Pegasus and Year 7 have made over the last few weeks.

- ◆ Evan W (Year 7) was placed second in the Y7 boys heat for 100m and came fourth in the final. Evan also placed 2nd in the triple jump!
- ◆ Honor M (Year 7) was placed second in the long jump and fourth in the 100m Y7 girls race.
- ◆ Lewis P-H (Year 7) was placed second in the boys 800m final.
- ◆ Olivia C (Year 7) was placed fourth in the girls 800m final.

Pegasus House also came first in our termly Welly Wanging competition, netting us 250 points towards the House Championship.

Thank you all for putting your best foot forward. I look forward to seeing our accomplishments for the remainder of this academic year.

Best wishes,

Mr Harbour

Head of Pegasus House, Head of Year 7



SPORTS NEWS



Nova scholars have been competing at the Year 7 and 8 Swindon Schools Athletics Championships. All the pupils that were selected competed, and behaved admirably at the event and were a credit to the school.



Mr Harbour has already reported on the fantastic Year 7 results, so the Year 8 results are below.



Jesse, Year 8, has been selected to represent Wiltshire in the National competition for the 800m. This is a huge achievement as it is the year 8/9 category. Jesse got a Personal Best of 2.07.58.



Dexter B placed 2nd for 300m.

Ava M placed 2nd in 150m (1st heat) and 4th in Shot. Ava made it through to the 200m finals in the afternoon and placed 3rd overall with a time of 30.6 seconds.



Cillian T placed 4th in 100m.



Holly T placed 2nd in High Jump and 4th in Hurdles.

Darragh C placed 1st in Triple Jump with a score of 9.4m.

Jesse B dominated the 800m final placing 1st by around 100m.



CHRIST CHURCH CHARITY DOG RUN



“Christ Church was a fun experience and we loved seeing the community being brought together”

Phoebe

“It was one of best achievements of my life”

Marley

On Saturday 15th June the Christ Church Dog Fun Run was held. This concept was developed by three of our Year 10 Business students, as part of a project in their lessons. It was a wonderful event with at least 30 dogs and 60 humans taking part. The event started with the competitive 5K race around Lawn Woods – which was won by Jacob and Disney in 21mins 59 seconds. A fun run of 2K followed shortly after, and then everyone went back to the church for a Dog Show, with rounds of *Waggiest Tail*, *Best Trick* and *Most like its owner*.

We are proud to say that over £300 was raised. The day was such a success that Christ Church has decided to run it again next year.

Chris Smith, the operations manager at Christ Church, said – *“I would like to give a special shout out to Ryan, Phoebe and Marley for coming up with the idea and helping to implement it from the start to the end of the event. Also, to their teacher Mrs Evans and other staff from Nova Hreod who have given up their time to help with the event.”*

Thank you to Mrs Gawthorne, Mr Delap, Ms Sweeney, Hamilton, Charlotte and Grace for giving up their time to help with the event, and to everyone who came along to enjoy the day.

This was a fantastic opportunity, given to us by Chris at Christ Church, to develop an entrepreneurial idea and see it come to life. It has been great for them to come up with the idea, and then be involved in the marketing planning and the logistics of the day.’

Mrs Evans

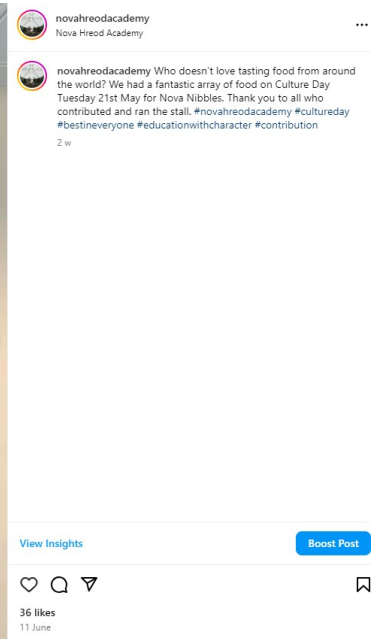


‘We had so much fun with the dog show. We all loved the competition, and getting involved. We would like to say thanks to the Nova staff who came to support us.’

Ryan

#ONSOCIALMEDIA

An update on some of the stories we've shared on social media in the last fortnight.



YEAR 8 TRIP TO SILVERSTONE

The Science Department organised a trip to Silverstone Museum for year 8. We enjoyed a tour of the main exhibition, which incorporates the history of Silverstone itself and the history of motorsport, where we were able to get close to genuine raced vehicles and clothing. It was fascinating to learn about all the different careers in the motorsport industry, including medical support, mechanics, safety and a visit to the Tech Lab with the technology and engineering itself.

On the Heritage Track Trail, scholars were able to walk on a section of the original Silverstone Circuit, offering them a great view of some areas of the current circuit, discovering about the history of the track, the prestigious races that have taken and those that continue to take place.

All in all, it was a fascinating trip with a fantastic opportunity for our scholars to spend time at one of the country's most famous racing circuits.

Thank you to Finley and all the other students who sent us their photos for this week's newsletter.

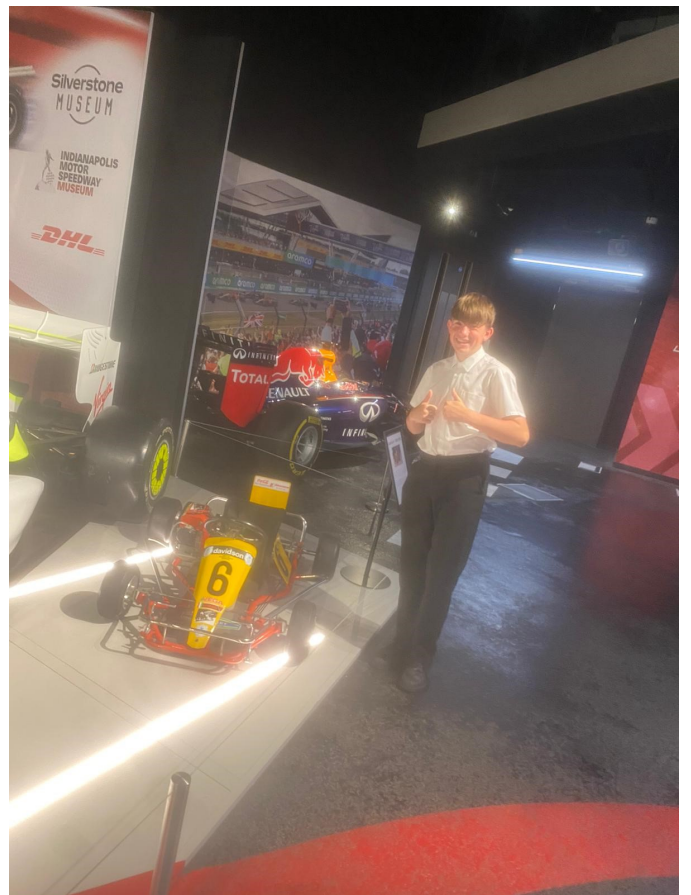
"The Silverstone trip was one of the best trips I've been on so far. It was amazing looking at the cars they had on show."

Cillian, Year 8

'Silverstone was insane! I loved every single minute. There were plenty of hands on activities and the work shop was fascinating. If you ever get the opportunity to go, you have to take it because it was so much fun even if you are not a car of formula 1 enthusiast.'

Finley, Year 9





NOVA FEST

Year 11 enjoyed a wonderful afternoon on their last day at Nova. Awards were presented in assembly before moving onto an afternoon of fun including inflatables and a barbecue, ending with the traditional Walk of Honour, to cheers from the rest of the school.

Enjoy your summer Year 11, and we look forward to seeing you all again at the Summer Ball and on 22nd August for results day.

Visit the school [website](#) for more photos.









SUMMER CONCERT



Over 20 scholars took to the stage to perform in the Summer Concert.

Well done to everyone who took part, it was a very enjoyable evening with some excellent performances.











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THURSDAY 11th JULY 2024 - ALL DAY

- Athletics -
100m, 200m, 400m,
Long Jump,
High Jump, Relay,
Shot Put & Javelin
- Netball
- Archery Tag
- Dodgeball
- Basketball
- Rounders
- Inflatables
- Softball
- Curling
- Table Tennis
- Tug of War

Lunchtime

Burger & Chips

£1.90

Hot dog & Chips

£1.90

Free School

Meals as normal

Ice Cream Van

(Cash Only)

The Nova Hreod Academy
Production of



ROALD DAHL'S
Matilda
THE MUSICAL JR.

Book by
Dennis Kelly

Orchestrations and Additional Music by
Chris Nightingale

Music and Lyrics by
Tim Minchin

18th & 19th July 2024 - 6.00pm



£5 Per Person
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This amateur production is presented by arrangement with Music Theatre International
All authorised performance materials are also supplied by MTI
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FORTHCOMING EVENTS



OPEN EVENING

Thursday 19th September 2024
6pm-8pm

OPEN MORNINGS

Tuesday 1st October
9am-11am
Thursday 10th October
9am-11am

CATALYST STEM STREAM EVENTS

Thursday 26th September
5pm-6pm

Tuesday 15th October
9am-10am

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