

THE NELSON THOMLINSON SCHOOL



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Dear Parents

Last week we were interviewing for two new Deputy Headteachers to start in September 2012. One position has become vacant due to the promotion of Mr Northwood to Headmaster and the other vacancy has arisen due to the retirement of Mr Herbert at the end of this academic year. Mr Herbert has worked at NTS for 37 years as is well known to generations of families. In September, Mrs Banks who is currently our Teaching and Learning Deputy will take over the role of the Pastoral Deputy and Dr. Henley (currently Head of History) will become the Teaching and Learning Deputy. We have also appointed Mr Parker as the Curriculum and Data Deputy. Currently he is an Assistant Head in Shropshire.

From Monday 5th March, I am pleased to announce that our after school Homework Club has been extended. It will now be available from 3.30pm-5pm every school day. This is a free service that the school offers and we hope that the extra half-hour and the inclusion of Friday will be helpful to those of you who make use of this facility.

We have now had the car park areas immediately outside of the school buildings marked out with the safety of the students being a priority. There are two disabled parking spaces closest to the main buildings and two further spaces for visitors. The area immediately in front of the Rose Door is for deliveries. Boulders are being placed on the drive-way to prevent parking on the verges. We now have adequate parking places with the new car park and ask that you use the designated spaces whenever you visit the site.

Our Activities Day is on July 17th and there is the opportunity for parents to be involved on the day. If you would like to volunteer please contact the school and ask for Mr. Beechey (Assistant Head).

Finally, I am sure that many of you attended the Dance Show and/or Sweeney Todd. I described the Dance Show as 'fantastic' and marvelled at the talent of the musicians and stage performers in Sweeney Todd. I found myself thinking that the Finale of Sweeney Todd could have graced the West End Stage. I am immensely proud of all the students and staff who contributed in any way and it makes me realize just how privileged I am to be the Head of NTS.

Yours sincerely

J Downes
Headmistress