



Dates for your diary

<i>Sunday 15 April, 6pm</i>	<i>Summer term begins</i>
<i>Saturday 21 April, 11am</i>	<i>Talk for Parents (Natasha Devon)</i>
<i>Sat 5 May 12pm) - Mon 7 May (9pm)</i>	<i>Exeat weekend</i>
<i>Monday 14 May</i>	<i>Study Leave for Year 11</i>
<i>Fri 25 May 5pm</i>	<i>Year 9 GCSE Options Evening</i>
<i>Fri 25 May (4pm) - Sunday 3 June (9pm)</i>	<i>Half term</i>
<i>Mon 25 June</i>	<i>Yr 9 & 10 trips; Yr 11 Work experience</i>
<i>Fri 29 June</i>	<i>Athletics Afternoon</i>
<i>Sat 30 June</i>	<i>Speech Day and Cornflower Ball</i>

The next three weeks.....



All which remains for me to do is to thank the Nugent staff and the prefect team for their consistent efforts in ensuring that Nugent is a happy and thriving place to work, eat, rest and play. Special thanks, of course to Lucy and her deputies, and to Susan and Carla, and to all of the girls for their help in the past five weeks when I have not been as mobile as normally am!

For those of you new to the Eastbourne academic year, the summer term really is the nicest—it is certainly the reward after all those dark nights and snow, or perhaps non-snow! There is certainly much to anticipate with the opening of the new buildings and sixth form trousers—more information to follow on that.

I am aware that for many of the girls, revision will now be well underway and ultimately there is no getting away from hard graft, no matter how many revision apps which may be available. I therefore sign off with a quotation from the late Stephen Hawking—I am sure that you will agree that we can all learn from these words:

‘Remember to look up at the stars and not down at your feet. Be curious. And however difficult life may seem, there is always something you can do and succeed at. It matters that you don’t just give up’.

With best wishes for a happy Easter,
Vicky



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Dear Parents

In my review of 2016-17, I compared the year to an ascent of Mont Blanc, with the Lent term definitely being the relentless night time slog. Indeed the intensity of the term only really hits you once it is over and the girls certainly deserve a good Easter break. I am proud of the way in which the Nugent girls have largely kept the momentum going throughout the winter months, and I hope that the following pages will give you a flavour of what has been going on.



Lent Term 2018

Highlights of the term have included a superb house concert (read on for further details), **WINNING** both the senior and junior netball competitions, a Paddington themed Chapel service and showing the best house spirit at house debating.

Captain of netball, **Lucy Ritson** along with **Prue Barnes, Charlie Chatterton, Izzy MacIntosh** and **Annie Wilson** all gained full colours in netball. **Daisy Mayhew** completed her Silver Duke of Edinburgh award.

Elo Quitmann gained distinction in Grade 6 singing, and **Sapphyre Mills Kennelly** distinction in Grade 7 piano. **Freya Chen** gained a bronze medal in the biology Olympiad, and our in-house magician **Hannah Feben Smith** (pictured below) gained a bronze medal in the Linguistics Olympiad. That’s magic!



Year 9—by Georgie Ginbey and Savannah Winston

The Lent term has been a great one, especially for year 9! We all thoroughly enjoyed taking part in our Nugent revue with all of us participating in the year 9 dance, and **Sapphyre** and **Georgie** performed a singing and piano duet. It has also been a successful netball season, and **Sacha, Sav** and **Abbie** (vice captain) all took part in the SISNA Tournament, where they came 3rd in their age group! **Jess** and **Teresa** also participated in lots of netball matches and **Jess** was woman of the match for her team in a couple of her matches. **Sophia** and **Ksenya** also enjoyed various dance sessions, particularly the Modern on a Thursday break time. **Sapphyre** also had great success in the music department, qualifying for the Young musician of the year final. In the last week of term, **Sacha** and **Jess** are involved in a Fives tournament. Earlier this term, **Georgie** took her LAMDA exam, and **Rosie** is getting ready to take hers in May. We have all had an excellent term and we are looking forward to our holiday and what is in store next term.



Year 10—by Yasmin Tarn and Loveday Rowlands

This last term has been full with fun, snow or not so much snow, drama, excitement and laughs. As you all know the year 10's had to do the dreaded sketch in the Nugent House review. It was fast approaching and suddenly we realised we needed to get going. We had the idea of Mastermind. **Alice** had the brilliant idea for us all to wear glasses to bring the Mastermind to life. **Abi** and **Elo** stepped up to be the attention catching presenters while the rest of us performed the most daunting two words of our lives. Of course it was nowhere near as bad as everyone thought and came off stage with a buzz of adrenaline. **Liv** and **Elo** performed a beautiful duet and making us proud; **Sofya, Arina** and **Arabella** produced a fierce and empowering dance, resulting in us all wanting lessons. In sport, we have had **Tabby** captaining the As and **Lucy** and **Elo** playing for the team. **Izzy** swam in a competition and is looking forward to the new pool. **Liv** and **Elo** have also produced some fantastic songs that have gone onto the Live Lounge album. **Loveday, Lucy, Elo,** and **Yas** passed their weapons handling test in CCF. **Abi** achieved merit in her grade 6 LAMDA exam. **Loveday** has continued with her high level dance lessons, and **Yas** and **Elo** have been sharing their tennis lessons ready for next term. **Rebakah** as usual has achieved a great number of Show Hsms this term and is looking forward to athletics. **Elo** and **Lucy** took part in the casting auditions for the Netflix show The Crown. So it has been a busy term and are all looking forward to the Easter holiday but dreading the separation that comes with it.



House concert

What a night! The girls pulled together as a House and provided a wonderful show. Musical numbers included the inaugural harp solo by **Lena Scholz**, beautiful singing by **Liv&Elo** and **Sapphyre & Georgie**, and a lively piano duet by **Sapphyre** and **Hannah**. Dancers included **Freya Chen** plus **Arina, Sofia** and **Arabella**. Special mention to **Georgie** too for her acrobatic skills in the Year 9 dance. It is difficult to single out individual acts, but special mention must go to the Year 11 'It's a Hard-Knock Life' video, which they created with zero teacher input (nor did any of it need editing by me!) and was refreshingly original and entertaining. A huge thank you too to **Lucy Ritson** for all of her work tirelessly behind the scenes. Finally your generosity enabled us to raise £186.40 for **MacMillan**, so thank you too for that.



Upper Sixth —by Lucy Ritson

This term the upper sixth have been focused on planning for life after Eastbourne. UCAS has dominated, as we have waited patiently for decisions to be made. **Talaayah** is off to Nottingham to study architecture, and **Georgia** will be joining her studying history and politics, having been offered an unconditional. **Amelia** is deciding on her location, but will be doing sports coaching at either Oxford Brookes or Leeds Beckett. **Lucy** is off to Warwick to study history and **Prue** won't be far away in Birmingham doing nursing. **Lizzie** was lucky enough to miss the stress of UCAS and is heading off to an events management course in London next year. **Hannah** will be in Edinburgh for linguistics and Freya will be Durham studying biology.

Looking at the present, this term we had the house concert which was a big success, even with five comperes! One of the highlights has to be **Freya's** dance where she brought out all the sass and blew us away with her sensational moves! Outside of house, **Talaayah** has been working on her Gold Arts Award and has been organising events and activities with St Andrews Prep for it. **Hannah** has finished her EPQ this term and **Amelia** has continued playing hockey outside of school. **Prue** enjoyed netball season and is looking forward to tennis next term. **Georgia** headed up house debating, and despite being robbed of victory put up a strong fight! **Lizzie** was the runner up for the Vernon Dobtcheff award and choreographed the year nine dance with **Lucy**. **Lucy** also captained the firsts netball this term.

So, despite many challenges and the busy nature of the term, we have managed to survive as a year group and despite revision, look forward to some well earned time off at home during Easter.



Working hard.....

Top eRC scorers

- 1) Freya Chen (10)
- 2) Sapphyre Mills Kennelly (9.83)
- 3) Talaayah Gunaydin (9.5)
- 3) Charlie Chatterton (9.5)
- 5) Hannah Feben Smith (9.4)
- 6) Sophia Semkina (9.24)
- 7) Olivia Jayaraj (9.2)
- 8) Rebekah Agunede (9.14)
- 9) Clem Xu (9.11)
- 10) Abbie Coleman (8.97)

Top eRC Improvers

Michaelmas 1—Lent

- 1) Amelia Baron
- 2) Izzy Webb
- 3) Sophia Semkina

Lent 1—Lent 2

- 1) Hannah Feben Smith
- 2) Tabby McNulty
- 3) Sophia Semkina



Year 11—by Anna Hasell and Eliza Reynolds

This term has been a rather hectic one for the year 11s, having had mocks dominating the first two weeks back. Although these were stressful and challenging we managed to stay as positive as possible, and our results were encouraging and will hopefully give us the motivation to revise for the real thing.

Year 11 had to work together when creating a video for the Nugent house review which was an all-around success, and **Lena** also performed a beautiful harp solo.

We have also done very well in sport: **Nina** and **Kristin** have continued to play tennis this term and Nina played in the national finals! Netball has also been a triumph, **Fe** picked up the sport very quickly, having never played before. **Eliza** has been playing for the A team and **Daisy** and **Anna** the B team. **Eliza** and **Daisy** have also been working very hard on their D of E, managing to get through the Sunday sessions.

Zara and **Anna** have just completed their drama GCSE piece: "Vinegar Tom" after weeks of learning lines.

Finally we will be really sorry to say goodbye to **Nina** and we wish her the best of luck in Germany. We are jealous that she does not have to sit her GCSEs!



Lower Sixth—by Annie Wilson and Tess Donnelly

Nugent y12 is packed with high achievers in a range of different areas including sports, arts and academic subjects. Here are some of our highlights from this term.

Firstly both **Ana** and **Marta** have been working with a class of keen year 9's in their S@S sessions every Monday afternoon, teaching and improving the classes Spanish. *Continuar el buen trabajo!* **Bianca** has joined us from Italy this term and has settled in fabulously with her phenomenal English. She is a great asset to our team. In support of the community **Tess** volunteered and led a group of y9s in a beach clean-up with over 100 pupils attending. This was in partnership with STEAM an organization combining science and arts. **Ceci** has also offered her time to the local Eastbourne elderly community, joining them for cakes and bingo at Monday club. **Gianna** has helped up at St. Andrews with Reception, Years 1 and 2. This has been a rewarding and enjoyable experience for her, improving her spelling as well as theirs. Lastly **Daisy** has contributed her knowledge and experience to the y9 dance activity every Thursday this term. 'She's helped them come on leaps and bounds' - Kirsty Reid.

On the sporting front we have had plenty of success from the girls in house. **Izzy** and **Annie** both went up to the remarkable Queen Elizabeth Olympic swimming stadium to take part in the Bath Cup. This was a major swimming competition with over 100 schools entering. **Izzy** not only represented Nugent but also captained the whole Eastbourne squad. Additionally we have had a lot of girls reaching the 1st team netball this term with **Annie**, **Izzy**, **Holly** and **Charlie** all competing in this year's SISNA tournament. They achieved a brilliant result of 3rd place and we also won interhouse netball. Some members of the house have also been participating outside of school in extra sport. **Phoebe** has showed us her impressive tennis talent competing in a national tournament with her Kent team and winning it! **Annie** has also been playing various regional hockey tournaments as well as participating in ASSE camp during half term.

Both **Valentina** and **Clem** have been given commendations for their excellent involvement in the AS Physics Olympiad. A big congratulations to the two of them! **Clem**, **Charlie** and **Holly** have been working hard towards their Oxbridge applications and we know how much they deserve those places. As year we hope to carry this achieving momentum into next term after a well-deserved holiday. HAPPY EASTER !!!!

