

# NEW HALL NEWSLETTER



New Hall - Wymondham College

Week 4,5,6 - September 2019

### New Hall Boarder Taster Evening

This exeat New Hall was selected to showcase the Wymondham College boarding experience to upcoming year 5 and 6 students. Many of our current students were involved in some manner and an abundance of great feedback has been received. Our students were fantastic in leading various activities and talking with potential new students to the college.

### Big Weekender

A group of New Hall students attended the Paintballing Big Weekender event at Combat Paintball in Thetford this exeat. Despite the rain, they had a lot of fun!



### VIP Movie Night

On Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October New Hall hosted a VIP movie night. All students were invited to watch either *Long Shot* or *Aladdin*. Some students won VIP tickets that granted them special access and snacks throughout the movie. Both films were very popular and well attended.





### New Hall Hosts Bake Off

On Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> October students attended New Hall's Bake Off Challenge in the refectory. They were all given basic biscuit ingredients alongside 10 'tokens' they could exchange for additional ingredients such as smarties, chocolate chips, sweets and spices. The students were then able to taste test their creations and take them back to house for their friends to try!



### The Cube - Entertainment

On Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> October the Graduate Boarding Assistants led the gameshow, *The Cube*, with Mr Whitbourn playing Phillip Scofield, students enjoyed 7 Cube games with 9 lives. Many lives fell on game 6, *Construction*, where players had to stack a pyramid of 15 cups in 10 seconds. Only 2 students completed the cube successfully and will receive prizes after the half term break for their accomplishment. We hope to repeat the cube next half term. Please enjoy the pictures below.





## Meet the Graduate Boarding Assistants



Mr B Whitbourn - like yourselves I was a student at Wymondham College for seven years. At GCSE I studied Triple Science, Physical Education, Spanish, French, Geography. I then went on to study Biology, Chemistry, Maths and Spanish (AS) in sixth form. The boarding and athletic experiences at Wymondham College led me to pursue my degree in the United States where I was a collegiate swimmer for four years. Studying at a small college called Ohio Wesleyan University I earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Pre-Medicine and Pre-Professional Zoology, with minors in Psychology in Chemistry.



Miss T Bankole - My name is Miss Bankole. I was born in the US and have been living in the UK for 15 years. I used to be a student here 5 years ago and was House Captain in Cavell Hall. Whilst studying here, I took Additional Science, French, DT, Art, Geography, Business Studies and ICT. After my studies at The College, I moved back to London to study Graphic Design, ICT, Media Studies and Art (AS) at A Level, before moving to Plymouth for 3 years to complete my BA(Hons) in Graphic Design. In addition to working as a GBA in New Hall, I am the founder of a magazine and a freelance graphic designer.



Miss C Chandler - My name is Miss Chandler and I went to Aylsham High School for five years. I studied Graphics, French, Drama, Geography and History at GCSE level and also completed my Extended Project in Drama. I then attended Paston Sixth Form College and obtained A Levels in Psychology, English and Drama and an AS Level in Performance Studies. In 2019 I graduated from the University of East Anglia with a degree in English Literature with Creative Writing.

## A Note from House Parent - Mr K Dodds

Hello from the weekends,

This term has been a full on 6 six weeks with loads of extra pupils staying and enjoying the numerous activities that have been on offer including swimming, golf, outdoor cinema, football tournaments, baking, paintballing, graffiti art and much more. Many thanks in New Hall must go to Miss Chandler, Miss Bankole and Mr Whitbourn for all their hard work keeping the children safe and entertained. The new kitchen has been a great improvement for all those within the house and I know those who attended the Macmillan coffee afternoon really enjoyed seeing it now completed. We raised £98.42, many thanks to you all. The new popcorn machine has proven a hit and many happy faces where about last Friday night for the VIP night.

Moving forward into the run up to Christmas can I ask that all school shoes / uniform is checked and if they need replacing that this is done over the half term. With autumn now in full force, a raincoat is an essential, especially as the site is so big and moving around it will mean getting wet. Talking of water could students please bring a water bottle to drink from as this will help in every way, notably in lessons.

Toiletries, where do I start...

Please can all students only have either roll on or stick deodorants, as the spray can types are not allowed in school. Please can you check with your child that they have enough shower gel, shampoo and conditioner, toothpaste and other necessary items for the full six weeks, as we will have limited access to the supermarket.

Night-time routines, could you please remind your child that they must hand in all their electronic devices, this includes all phones, tablets and game consoles. This is to help them with their sleep hygiene. One thing that would save matrons loads of time would be to ensure that all clothes are labelled so returning "lost" items is a breeze.

Please have a great half term break and I look forward to seeing you soon.

Ken Dodds.  
Houseparent

Wishing you all a lovely half term break from all the staff in New Hall!

### Announcements

Big Weekender – The next Big Weekender is "The Playground" on the 3<sup>rd</sup> November. The cost of this is £25.