

# Boarding Newsletter

Lent Second  
Half-Term

Dear Parents,

As the weather has warmed and Spring has sprung, so too has the energy in the boarding house!

This term the girls got creative and dressed up for World Book Day, the Easter House fundraiser, and school photo day. On the weekends, the students ventured out into the world for some exciting trips, like the school musical 'Frozen' and Cadbury's World, and welcomed the world *into* the school for Open Morning and the Easter Trail.

In the evenings the fun didn't stop either! They made lots of crafts to decorate the common room, hand made pasta from scratch, learnt to crochet, relaxed on spa nights, played sport, and even had an impromptu moonwalking lesson.

We hope everyone has a wonderful Easter break, and we look forward to welcoming you back soon!

*Boarding Team x*

## Upcoming Dates

Boarders return - Mon 13<sup>th</sup> April

Spring Concert - Wed 22<sup>nd</sup> April

Bank Holiday - Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May

Half term ends - Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> May

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# Our Trips

## Week 1: School Musical

Our first weekend back at school was an exciting one, as many months of hard work cumulated in the production of Frozen the Musical! The boarders travelled to watch the show on Friday night and cheer on our very own Alaa A, Nissi A, and Lizzie B. They were fantastic! Some of the girls said it was the best show they had ever seen, and we hope you got to see it too!



## Week 2: Open Morning

The focus of our second weekend was the whole school Open Morning. The boarders (and staff) worked hard to make sure everything was spick and span to give the best first impression to prospective families. Many of our boarders even spent a few hours touring families around the school! We are so proud of their professionalism.



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## Week 3: Cadbury's World

Possibly the most hotly anticipated trip of the half-term, week 3 was a trip to chocolaty paradise! The girls explored the history of chocolate, the lifecycle of a cocoa bean, and how Cadbury became the biggest name in sweets. Not to mention the chocolate they got to sample! Big smiles and full tummies all around.



## Week 4: Pottery Painting

On the lovely sunny weekend closing out the term, the girls ventured into Milton Keynes to go paint some pottery. They got to choose what they wanted to paint on, and then spent the next few hours creating their masterpiece. The finished items will be glazed and fired, ready to be admired by next term! Check them out on page 2 of Student Snapshots.



# Student Spotlight

What have you  
enjoyed this  
half-term?

I really enjoy the  
evening game nights,  
especially when we  
play board games.

Alaa A - Year 11

My favourite thing is  
when we have  
hotdogs for dinner.

Holly M - Year 6

I like the activities,  
like when we made  
milkshakes.

Ophelia L - Year 9

I really enjoyed the  
pottery painting trip.

Kayla C - Year 8

My favourite trip was  
the chocolate  
museum.

Fabienne J - Year 10

# Student Snapshots



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# Our Social Media

*This year, we have continued to enjoy creating content for our different social media platforms. Both our TikTok and Instagram accounts offer all who follow an exciting snapshot into both the daily activities and special events that happen in Thornton Boarding. If you're interested in staying connected with the boarding experience online, follow our social media accounts below!*

## TikTok | @thorntonboarding

Our TikTok is where you can find short behind-the-scenes videos that best capture the life of the boarding house. To the boarders' horror, this is also where the Housemistresses try to keep up with the current social media trends. By now, the boarders are more than used to getting roped into the unusual video ideas that the staff have come up with, many even keen to get their moment to shine in the spotlight. They are certainly not shy about sharing their expertise in all things social media, as well as their thoughts on our editing skills!



## Instagram | @thorntoncollegeboarding

Our Instagram page is where to go for picture and video updates of the vibrant daily life of our boarding community. Our posts show exciting glimpses of anything from evening activities, weekend trips or special events that pop up throughout the year. The boarders are all excellent photographers themselves, so it is sometimes even their very own happy snaps that get posted to the account.

