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# Neuchatel Newsletter

Winning the house cup was a really nice moment!

I felt surprised and proud about winning the house cup—it was the best moment! (from yr 9)

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## Neuchatel win the 2012 House Cup!!

After a year long struggle against all the other houses, Neuchatel have won the house cup!

The success really is down to you students. All the staff and student leaders encourage you, but in the end we've won because of your tremendous house spirit and the fact that you are always willing to have a go and do your best. So the story of our brilliant

year is written by you....here are some of your reactions and comments.....

"I felt surprised and proud when we won the House Cup!"

"It was a great experience for everyone and we consider all the hard work and determination we all put in, whether it be quizzes, dodge ball and lots of other things it pays off to do your

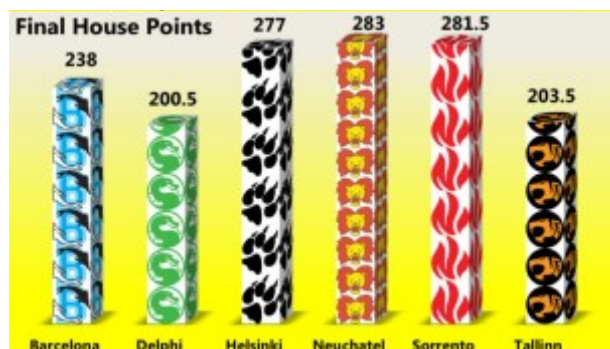
best!" (comment from year 7)  
"We could do even better next year if we put more effort into the sports cup!"

It was really funny when the teachers and 6th formers did the flash-mob.

"I am so pleased that I helped Neuchatel win the House Cup."

### Final House Points:

- We took the lead in May after the Dickens Cup and stayed in front for most of the rest of the year
- Nerve-tingling final month or so, when we didn't get the points we expected in several competitions despite having shown great talent.
- Like the Premier League - 1 point is enough to win!! Well done everyone!



### Words that sum up Neuchatel

UNITY JOYFUL

COMMUNITY

"Just the greatest!"



## I was really proud of.....

...Rachel Huddart when she won the gold medal in the long jump at Sports day (comment from a year 8)

...Paul Cummins (10N) when he was singled out for praise in assembly for his boxing because he used to be naughty....(from a year 9)

...the current year 8 as they always join in (from year 13)

...the year 10 (now 11N) choir in the Music Cup (yr.11)

..Emily Downes (8N) when she came 2nd in the talent show

...Lara never doing long jump before and coming 2nd at Sports Day! (from year 10)

....Daniel who came 5th overall in the climbing competition! He tried very hard and everyone above him in place was older.

I am so pleased that I helped Neuchatel win the house cup. I didn't help much, but every little thing helps. (from yr 7)

### Surprises

I surprised myself when I was in the team for rounders because I can't play but I had a go anyway! (yr 8)

I surprised myself when I did the year 7 quiz. It was really fun and I enjoyed it.

I surprised myself when I helped design our Xmas Tree because I'm not amazing at art (from yr 10)

## Coping well in a crisis!?

These people coped well....

...Jasmine Banham when she got part of an earphone stuck in her ear! (from year 8)

....Holly coped really well in the climbing competition when she was sick, as she still managed to come 6th overall. (from year 10)

.....the year 8 girls in the drama cup when they had only two periods to prepare (the original act was ill)

...when Lara and Hannah improvised

in the drama competition and still did well even though a member of their group pulled out at the last minute. (from year 10)

### **It was really funny when...**

everyone was stuffing their mouths with marshmallows in "fluffy Bunnies". (from yr 9)

...we did the 3 little pigs in the drama competition (from yr 8)

## Words that sum up Neuchatel

Sunshine high morale

winners teamwork

focused friendship

determination hard-working

happiness vibrant upbeat

willing to have a go!

Consistent fabulous quality

## Competitions I most enjoyed taking part in.....

....Our monthly quizzes because we did so well and you always enjoy doing well (yr 9). Year 9 have won two of Neuchatel monthly quizzes!

...Bin bag fashion (from yr 8)

...Drama Cup was really fun—can't wait for next year! (from yr. 8)

...Dodgeball was a good team sport and got everyone involved. It got everyone together and supporting each other. (yr 9)

...Just Dance was great. I was sick at that! (Yr 9)

....Sports day (lots of you said that!)

....the climbing was very good because the judges and team were very supportive when we were climbing. The judges were very funny, using sarcasm to help us up the wall! (from year 7)

.....Tug of war (yr 11)

## Best moments from our House Cup winning year of 2012

Sports Day was brilliant this year as the year 10s (then year 9) won it for the third year in a row! The boys' A and B relay teams both came 2nd in two exhilarating encounters!  
(comments from year 10)

Our amazingly successful assemblies in the Hall, including performances by our talent show acts and the "Let's Dance for Sport Relief" (Year 10)

The year 7 quizzes were a great way to entertain yourself at lunch. Even though we didn't come first, it was

nice to be part of something that counts. (from year 7)

The drama competition because we got to work independently making up our own play and it was fun to watch everyone getting involved.  
(from yr 10)

The last day before Xmas—because it was our last Xmas all together  
(from yr 11)

Best moment was Sports day because it showed our teamwork as a form  
(from yr 10)

Mr Spillett's charity dance ("I'm sexy and I know it!") - it was absolutely hilarious! (from yr 11)

The Dodgeball (from yr 13 and year 7)

Neuchatel always get involved—whenever there is a competition, we always have a team and get inspired and have a good time. We don't win every time, but we always turn up and in the end we won the House Cup because of this team spirit!  
(from year 13)

## What I like about being in Neuchatel is..

...that students get to make up their own assemblies, which are enjoyable to watch. (from yr 10)

...the Neuchatel community is very welcoming (from yr 7)

..that we all work together to achieve our best (yr 11)

...the atmosphere is serene and it was a very good welcoming to the spirit or "family" of Neuchatel. (from yr 7)

...N is friendly and the teachers care

for everyone (from yr 9)

...everybody is nice! (from yr 7)

....the fact that everyone is so friendly and everyone is very supportive of each other (from yr 10)

Doing the assembly was really fun. I was scared at first but the rest of Neuchatel were smiling so I felt fine!  
(from yr 7)

When we did the assembly I was really nervous, but then I looked down at the sea of smiling people

and it gave me confidence. (from yr 7)

...everyone takes a part (from yr 7)

Our form friends have been there for us from the start and helped us through the year so far, giving us encouragement and fun. Thank you form friends!!!! (from year 7)

### Message from Dr. J

Well done to everyone for making it such a fantastic year and many thanks to all the many contributors to this newsletter. You are winners!!!!

## We all really enjoyed.....

....the House Project at the end of the year—Junk Fashion—because it was very enjoyable and everyone had a lot of fun. (from yr 10)

....coming up with the idea of the Anti-Bullying poster. We had fun making it and laughed at the plot. And we won the House competition!!  
(from yr 7)

....the netball inter-house competition. It was very fun and enjoyable even though Neuchatel didn't win.  
(from yr 7)

....the talent show (lots of you said that!)

**I thought it would be really awful but I was really glad I had a go at..**

...the tug of war because it turned out to be really fun and we won! (yr 11)

...rounders on Sports Day. We didn't win but it was fun! (from yr 7)