

### Reminder to all parents and carers:

Access to the school site via Talbot Avenue is prohibited to parents during the times of 08:20 to 09:00 and 14:30 to 15:20.

If parents or carers are dropping off or picking up children, we advise you to use the turning circle accessible via Lidgett Lane.

### Respect and remembrance:

This week all students received a special assembly dedicated to remembrance day. They learned about the historical relevance of the memorial days and the importance of showing respect towards those brave men and women who have served this country to give us peace. All students and staff showed their respects with a 2 minute silence on Friday morning commemorating Armistice Day.

### Developing the next generation of change leaders:

Following whole school elections earlier this term, our student council representatives met for the first time this week. Members of our Sixth Form Student Leadership Group led the session, with year group reps discussing potential agendas for the coming year.

Mike Roper Headteacher

Class Charts

Positive Points this week: 14,000 Negative Points this week: 1,300

93% Positive Ratio

### Dates for your Diary:

KS4&5 Concert - Thursday 17 November, 6.00 - 8.00 pm. Tickets from ParentPay.

Training Day (School Closed to Students) - Friday 18 November 2022

World of Music Auditions - Monday 21 & Tuesday 22 November 2022, 3.15 - 5.00 pm

Year 11 Online Parents' Evening - Thursday 24 November, 4.30 - 7.30 pm

Coffee Morning for Prospective Parents - Monday 28 November, 9.15 - 10.15 am

Year 12 Online Parents' Evening - Wednesday 30 November, 4.30 - 7.30 pm

Year 9 DTP, MenACWY & MMR vaccine - Monday 5 & Tuesday 6 December - look out for letter

World of Music Concert - Thursday 8 December 2022, 7.00 - 9.00 pm - Tickets from ParentPay

### **Sports Results**

### **Football**

The **Year 10 boys's Football Team** beat Outwood Academy Barnsley 3-2 in the English Schools' FA Cup.

The **Year 9 boys' Football Team** lost 4-2 to Cockburn John Charles in the Leeds Cup.

#### Netball

This week, the **Year 8 A and B Netball Teams** both won their matches against Bishop Young. The A Team won 12-0 and the B Team won 6-1.

### Leeds District Netball Squad

On Sunday 6th November, two of our Year 9 pupils went to Gateways School to attend a Netball selection day. Both of these students demonstrated great talent and a flair for netball, thus were successful and have been given the opportunity to join the Leeds District Netball Squad and represent Leeds.

Miss Caisley would like to congratulate Isabelle and Eva and said "it takes great courage and confidence to put yourself against the best, well-done girls."

### Student Council is in session!

After a rigorous selection process, including a written application and interview, our Student Councillors met for the first time this week.

Students discussed their ideas for working with our community and began opening discussions of initiatives they can deliver over the coming year. These were expertly chaired by our Sixth Form Leadership Team who are working on their own charity programmes.





At Hot Chocolate Friday on 11 November, students celebrated their achievements with Mr Roper, Headteacher.

**Jemima in Year 7** has been nominated for producing the most wonderful orchestra poster for her music project, we were blown away by her craftsmanship.

**Lila in Year 8** has been exceptional in her RS lessons and really trying hard. She is focused and engaged and a really polite member of the year group.

**Rose in Year 9** consistently tries her best in school, she is a great friend to many, and has recently been singled out for selflessly offering to go back into school and help a new Year 7 student find their lost football boots when she overheard the parent and child talking about them at the school gates. Fantastic attitude!

**Anastasiia in Year 10** has come from the Ukraine and has taken to life here brilliantly. Miss Janiszewska, EAL Teacher, has nominated her for her excellent engagement and attitude towards learning.

**Sumayyah in Year 11** Is one of the three Year 11 students selected for the Twisted Tales collection that will be published by Young Writers.

**Kabeer in Year 12** has moved from abroad, settled in unbelievably well, recently taken on a fourth A Level and is flourishing in the Sixth Form. He is an unassuming, and very modest, superstar!

**Asma in Year 13** was nominated for her organisation and leadership within the SLG. She is incredibly well organised and proactive, and is doing a fabulous job of driving some of the Sixth Form initiatives. Asma is an outstanding student in every respect.

Congratulations to all students nominated this week!



# Safeguarding Message: Domestic Violence Information and Awareness Event

West Yorkshire Police will be attending a **Domestic Violence Awareness Event** at Brackenwood Community Centre on Tuesday 22 November 2022, 1.00 pm to 3.00 pm.

The event is for both men and women and will give information about domestic violence, what signs to look for and who to contact for help.

Please feel free to share information about the event with friends, family and neighbours.



### Support with using Seneca

### Student Introduction to Seneca:

<u>Students can watch a short video here</u>, introducing Seneca and how it can help them with their learning.

### Parents' Guide to Seneca:

Parents can find out more about What is Seneca Learning here. There is information to read and a short video called What is Seneca - a Parents' Gudie.

### Sixth Form Urban Planning Workshop

Ms Williams, Curriculum Leader for Geography, reports on an Urban Planning Workshop that took place this week:

KS5 Geographers attended a workshop lead by Urban Plan. The students worked in 'property company' groups to bid for land to regenerate a fictional location called Ellham, part of the county of Yorkton.

Each student had a role within their company, and used skills of negotiation, cooperation and listening to build a model version of their shared vision. Then, using advice from real industry experts, and a financial app on iPads, the groups researched, costed and pitched their presentation on how to regenerate the site, to Yorkton Council.

The students considered the needs of different stakeholders and local residents; opportunities to make a profit, as well as impacts their ideas could have on the surrounding environment. The students strategised, analysed source material and presented in front of an audience. In an industry where there are still very few women employed, I am proud to share the winning team (chosen by the Council made up of industry experts), was an all-girl group.

Well done to all the students that took part.







See you there!

## Music Events





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