

Message from the Board of Governors

As we approach the end of the Spring Term, the Governors would like to share some examples of the involvement that we have had with the school during this term.

I was delighted to attend the fantastic Cultural Day and observe the amazing activities especially the music, attire of both students and staff. The displays around the building showcased the diverse cultures of the school, as well as the curriculum opportunities presented during the school day.

To ensure that governors can benefit from training opportunities, both Joanne Travis and I have attended several training courses. These include Child Protection, SEND, Online Safety and Understanding Human Resources Panels which will enable us to carry out our roles more effectively.

Meetings have taken place between governors and middle and senior leaders as part of our monitoring roles. These include Safeguarding, Quality of Education, SEND, KS3, KS4 and KS5 Directors as well as MFL.

In addition to my weekly meetings with Mr Roper and Governing Board meetings, I have taken part in the interview for an Assistant Headteacher.

Both Joanne and I were fortunate to experience the amazing performance of Grease – the costumes, acting, singing and set were, as always, a credit to those involved.

Finally, we are delighted to welcome Stephanie Nyirenda as a co-opted governor who will be joining the Governing Board at the beginning of the Summer Term.

Wishing you a pleasant Easter.



Barbara Trayer
Chair of Governors

ClassCharts

Positive Points this week: 5488 Negative Points this week: 787

87% Positive Ratio

Dates for your Diary:

KS4&5 Concert - Thursday 23 March, 7.00 - 9.00 pm Tickets £3 each, available from ParentPay

Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Qualifying Expeditions:

- 1. Monday 20 & Tuesday 21 March
- 2. Wednesday 22 & Thursday 23 March
- 3. Tuesday 28 & Wednesday 29 March

Year 11 Supporting Success Evening - Wednesday 29 March, 6 00 - 7.00 pm

Hot Chocolate Friday

At Hot Chocolate Friday on 17 March, students celebrated their achievements with Mr Roper, Headteacher.

Congratulations this week to:

Hanna in Year 7 was nominated by the Art Team for the kindness and support she gives to another student in her class, without being asked. It's very impressive to see.

Ali in Year 8 has had a magnificent turnaround in his attitude to learning and behaviour. He is doing exceptionally well this term, and long may it continue. Well done Ali!

Emily in Year 9 is an all-round super star. She works so well across the board, and has outstanding attendance and outstanding behaviour. She was also involved in the Hamlet performance. Well done!

Elham in Year 10 is a well-rounded student and is extremely helpful to the Year Team, helping out with students with EAL needs in his year group.

Emily in Year 11 is always polite and selfless. Her behaviour and attitude to learning are excellent. She is also a member of Student Council and shows lots of initiative.

Riya in Year 12 was nominated for being a model student. She is hard working, successful, diligent and a lovely person as well.

Scott in Year 13 is working really well in Chemistry. He often seems to be the first to finish questions, and often helps others when he's finished.



Sports Fixture Results

Football

The **Year 7 boys' Football** team beat Bishop Young 7-2 in the League.

The **Year 7 girls' Football** team lost 3-1 to Horsforth in the Cup.

Our **Staff Football** team's first ever match ended in a 3-2 loss to Boston Spa, despite goals from Mr Fisk and Mr Lewin!

Rugby

The **Year 8 Rugby** team won a friendly match against Carr Manor.

Year 11 Prom Tickets - £40

Available on ParentPay!

You don't have to pay it all at once - you can pay in two instalments of £20.

Geography Field Trip

On Friday 17 March, Year 11 Geography students set off on a field trip to York, beginning with a traffic survey to investigate whether York has a sustainable transport infrastructure, and also investigating flood resilience.



British Science Week, 10-19 March

This week, students have been taking part in science-based activities including researching types and causes of air pollution and thinking about how to reduce their impact on air pollution, and taking part in a Physics quiz.

Other activities in class were:

Year 7 - Model of the digestive system

Year 8 - Extraction of DNA from fruit

Year 9 - Effects of handwashing

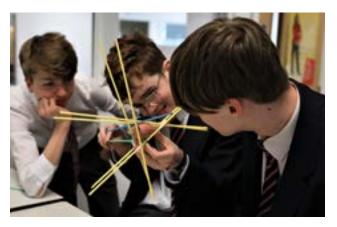
Year 10 students have been building egg safety devices.

Before the end of term, students in Years 7, 12 & 13 will be visiting a Panetarium Experience in school.

Further science events and activities are coming up, including a Neuroscience Assembly, Women in STEM Assembly, Hatching Chicks (after Easter) and guest speakers.

Don't forget, we also have a **Neuroscience Club**, run by Ms Gonzales, and a **STEM Club**, run by Mr Gledhill.

Come along and get involved!









Tickets available on Parentpay - £3