



The Market Weighton School

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Parent Newsletter

May 2019

HEADTEACHER'S UPDATE

A short but busy half term with GCSE exams at the half way point and the busiest time of the school year for trips and visits. Our Year 11 students this year have worked harder than ever revising and attending additional sessions in the holidays and after school. We have a full timetable of sessions again this half term which has been published on the school website. Almost all Year 11s will leave us after the final exam on Friday 14th June before we celebrate with the Prom on Thursday 4 July at the KP Club in Pocklington.

I would like to once again ask for parental support with uniform, particularly skirts. Tight Lycra skirts are not allowed, they can be worn very short and they are not appropriate for school. After half term we will have some skirts available in school for students wearing inappropriate skirts to change into. I have asked Heads of Year to contact the parents of all the students who are currently wearing inappropriate or incorrect uniform. We are expecting this will be corrected over the half term if any parents need financial support with this we can lend items in the short term.

You will see in this newsletter that we have recently elected a new Head Boy and Girl to represent the views of students. We have done this a term earlier to keep the momentum going with student leadership in school as our outgoing student leaders concentrate on exams. Thanks to Ben Clarke and Lydia Melbourne for their excellent leadership over the past year and Jake Norman and Libby Ainley for their support as Deputies.

You will read below of a selection of events that have taken place this term so far as we look forward to several trips across all years in the final weeks of the school year. Year 9 students will spend a week in France taking part in a range of water sports and Year 8 will be taking part in the team building skills course at the Kingswood Dearne Valley Centre. Year 7 have trips to the Holderness Coast and Weighton Wold Farm to look forward to and Year 10 have a week's work experience following their trial examination at the end of June.

All our staff and students are working incredibly hard to ensure TMWS students have the best possible all round experience of school and I would like to thank all those who make this possible. This of course includes parents, without your support we would not be able to offer such a range of trips and activities. We intend to publish a plan of future trips to help parents plan ahead as we now believe we have a comprehensive range of visits which enrich our curriculum.

I hope you enjoy the newsletter and your half term break.

Richard Harrison
Headteacher

Student Personal Development Day May 2019

Students Personal Development, Day 3, took place on Thursday 2 May.



Year 7 Students spent the day under the lead of Mr Savage making Bottle Rockets

Some students from Years 7 & Years 8 had their own events which started with the students making their own lunches, this was followed by a treasure trail to Goodmanham covering a distance of 6½ miles! Following their picnic lunch they picked up the Hudson Way Rail Trail and placed wishes on the wishing tree. Their day was finished with fun in the park.



Year 8 had a power race using wind turbines that they had made. Additionally a new inspirational topic led by Mrs Grayson on the Environment where they learnt about plastics and their effect on the world we live in.



Year 9 students had “Talk the Talk” sessions where they learnt techniques in self-confidence and giving presentations to their peers, the feedback from students on these sessions was very positive with such comments as “I have learnt not to be nervous, and breathe” and “I learned some communication skills but most importantly gained a lot of confidence when publicly speaking”





Year 10 Students met with local employers and had one to one mock interviews, preparing them for life after TMWS. Our thanks go out to the following who were kind enough to give up their time to help our students.



- **Tesco** - Karen Berry
- **Wyke College** - John Hamlyn & Olivia Underwood
- **Britcom** - Rachel Reed
- **Recognition Express** - Jan Chidley & Alison Warren
- **Langlands** - Hilary Hazell
- **KCOM** - Brendon Smurthwaite
- **Simply Trak** - David Wilkinson



Year 11 focused on extra revision and the newly sourced GCSEPod App for exam revision. This was combined with sessions on DVAP, where they learnt how to recognise domestic violence and how to help if they suspect someone they know is being abused. Selected students met with the RAF to discuss career paths within the armed forces.

Conisbrough Castle Trip

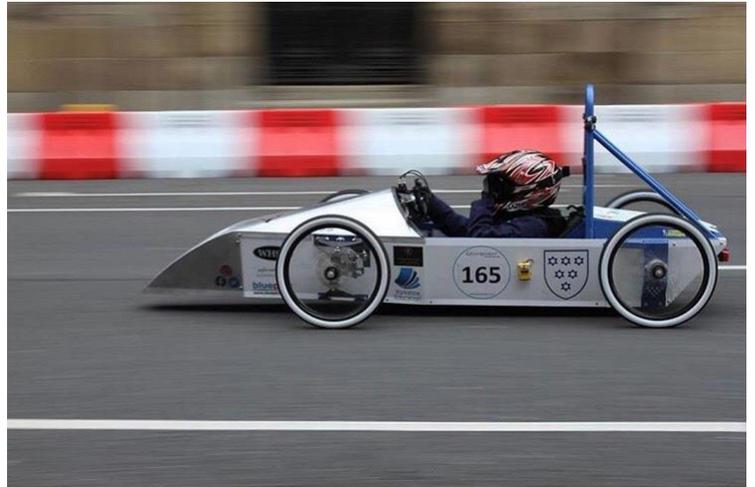
Mrs Jennings organised the Year 7 trip to Conisbrough castle near Doncaster. For 850 years the castle has been a landmark for its community and a symbol of the power, wealth and ambition of the powerful De Warennes who built it. Students enjoyed their day taking part in exploring the Castle and all it has to offer. Students took part in a workshop about the people who lived in the castle and how they lived in medieval times - led by English Heritage staff. Then there was a tour of the castle and walk around the moat filling out questionnaires and sketching features.



Thank you to the staff and especially to the students who were complimented by the coach and castle staff for their superb behaviour and positive attitude. Well done Y7 you made TMWS very proud.

TMWS Hull Street Race

Greenpower Education Trust is a UK based charity which gets young people enthusiastic about science and engineering by challenging them to design, build and race an electric car. TMWS Race Team saw the first ever closed street race in the UK. The city streets of Hull hosted Greenpower's electric car race. The Race Team represented the school with two cars, with both cars showing promising results for the rest of the racing season. Car number: 165 came 16th in Race 1 and 8th in Race 2. Car number: 344 came 20th in Race 1 and 14th in Race 2. Over the period of practice, race 1 and race 2 both cars together did around 95 miles which the team was thoroughly thrilled with. The team would like to take this opportunity to thank anyone who came along to the race to support. Team members are Ed Huxell, Aidan Green, Joe Green, Josh Ireland, Will Sowden, Tom Walsh, Matty Cook, Alex Calvert, Vivi Mayman, Florence Grimes, Ruby Clark, Katie Richards and Abi Mann.



By Ed Huxell

Long Service Award - Mrs Clare Breen, Deputy Headteacher

Mrs Clare Breen, Deputy Headteacher, recently celebrated 25 years of long service to education for the East Riding. Clare's career began in 1993 at Beverley High School as teacher of geography. Her passion for teaching saw her progress to become Head of Geography in 1998. Whilst at the school Clare was also Head of House and Year, then in 2008 promotion saw her become Assistant Headteacher with a focus on improving Teaching and Learning. April 2015 saw Clare promoted to the position of Acting Deputy Headteacher. In January 2016 Clare was seconded to The Market Weighton School by the Local Authority to support the school in its improvement journey, this secondment continued on a part time basis until 2018. Clare joined The Market Weighton School full time in September 2018 as Deputy Headteacher and teacher of geography. Clare has since worked with the Senior Leadership Team helping drive the school forward, resulting in recognised improvements by Ofsted in the December 2018 inspection.



Mrs Breen said; "I was delighted to be asked to join the Market Weighton team in the January of 2016. It was an exciting new opportunity for me and a challenge to support the school on its continued improvement journey. Being here full time has been incredible, and to assist the school through its Ofsted inspection which resulted in the improved Good judgement for Management and Leadership is a tribute to the tremendous amount of hard work put in by the Headteacher, Richard Harrison, and the Senior Leadership Team and all staff at the school. The Market Weighton School is a great place to work, with highly committed staff who are prepared to go the extra mile to support all of the students that they teach and care for. The students are a real credit to the school they are friendly, caring and conscientious individuals, and a pleasure to work with."

Mr Harrison said, "We are delighted that Clare Breen will be remaining at The Market Weighton School for the next two academic years and will continue with us in her role as Deputy Headteacher and teacher of geography".



Humberside Police Night Challenge

Nathan Hazel, (Year 11) took part in Humberside Police's Night Challenge this year. This consisted of an 11 mile walk incorporating themed challenges. Nathan did the walk in a team of 6 with the other students coming from Drifffield School and Sixth Form, Hornsea Secondary School and Goole Academy. Around 150 young people from across the Humberside police area put on walking boots and took part in Humberside Police's Night Challenge. The participants, aged between 13 and 18, competed as teams completing exercises along the way. The challenge took place overnight and saw them trekking across Brantingham Dale in East Yorkshire.

This year's event was focused on knife crime and child criminal exploitation and the associated risks that link to them.

Those taking part learnt how their actions online can put them in danger and how to spot the signs of friends that may be at risk of child sexual exploitation. The teams worked together to complete eight challenges based at pit-stops along the route, through which they will learnt about a fictional teenager who was involved in a knife incident. They also met representatives from a number of community safety agencies who discussed the support that they can offer to young people.

Sergeant Nick Bunker said: "Night Challenge is a great opportunity for young people from communities across our force area to spend time with officers and other community safety partners in a challenging environment. It will help them to build confidence and self-esteem whilst also giving them valuable life skills and respect for themselves, others and their surroundings."

Each team had volunteer walking supervisors from Humberside Police and partner agencies to support them should any difficulties arise.

Humberside Lifestyle 2019

We are delighted to announce that registration for Humberside Police Lifestyle 2019 is now open!

For 30 years, tens of thousands of young people have registered for Lifestyle and taken on challenges that have made a huge difference to communities across Humberside.

There are a host of fantastic prizes on offer for the most innovative and successful projects undertaken. These include: a week in South Africa, a trip to Disneyland Paris, UK adventure holidays, days out at Flamingo Land and Tockwith Racecourse and many more.

Last year we saw some incredibly innovative and inspiring activities. From using recycled plastic to make a buddy bench for a local school to raising money for a defibrillator for a local playing field, our Lifestylers were certainly busy and I really enjoyed hearing about each and every project.



Lifestyle allows young people the chance to showcase the difference they can make in their local communities, whilst building key skills such as team work, problem solving and communication and presentation skills. The enthusiasm and drive shown by all the teams taking part is truly inspiring.

If you are aged 10-18 and fancy making a difference in your community and potentially winning a fantastic prize register your team now on:

<https://www.humberside.police.uk/registering-lifestyle-team>

For further information please view the video on YouTube:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qJ61DWs0GfY> or follow us on Twitter @HP_LifestyleYET and Facebook- Humberside Police youth Engagement.

If you have any question please contact Sue MacRae in the Lifestyle Team on 01472 721264.



Duke of Edinburgh

On the weekend of 18-19 May, 13 year 9 and 10 students completed their Bronze Practice Expedition as part of their Duke of Edinburgh Award. The two groups walked from High Catton to Numberholme over two days, camping in Givendale.



The students have to plan the routes, navigate themselves and carry all their camping equipment along with food and clothes needed over the two days. It was a challenging routes but the teamwork and support to each other was excellent throughout the expedition. The group are now planning their qualifying expedition for the start of the autumn term.



On 9 May students celebrated obtaining the Bronze Certificate for their Duke of Edinburgh achievement on Thursday evening. Those successful were Libby, Charlotte, Ewan, Abigail, Leah, Amy, Ellie, Joel, Emily, Ben and Jack. Congratulations go out to all of them. The awards were presented by Emma Stothard, the regional officer for the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme.



Head Boy & Head Girl for 2019-20

Voting took place earlier this month to find the representatives for next year's Head Boy and Head Girl. The idea behind fetching the event forward is that the previous Heads can hand over to the newly instated students and then the students will have a full academic year in role. The vote went out to whole school with posters, video promotions and speeches and campaigns. The final count was very tense, Head Boy and Head Girl results were the closest ever with Josh Couch taking the Head Boy title by 3 votes. We want to give all these positive students a high profile in school. Please congratulate and encourage all those who took part.



From left to right are Jack Kendrick Deputy Head Boy, Josh Couch Head Boy, Abigail Ducker Head Girl and Alex Calvert Deputy Head Girl.

Major Stewart Arts Award, Burnby Hall Gardens

The work was to be inspired by the gardens and the wildlife that could be seen in and around the Hall. Students from Y8 created bugs and butterflies in 3-D using card and paint. They could choose from creating their own imaginative bug or work from images of real bugs. The work was then selected and displayed in frames as if in a natural history exhibition. The students invented names for their bugs and translated them into Latin which were then displayed next to their bugs, just as if they had been classified for real.

Reef Hill, Y10 had painted a scene of a pond with wildlife this was also submitted and displayed.



The students have been invited to attend the exhibition with free tickets to the gardens.

We are now awaiting the results of the competition to see if we have any winners!!

Parent Governor Vacancy

There was one nominee from our recent request for a parent to join our Board of Governors, Mr Marc Smith. As there was only the only candidate there will be no vote sent out to parents. The next Full Governing Body meets on Tuesday 2 July when Mr Smith will be given consideration and if appropriate Mr Smith will be officially instated in post by the Board of Governors.

The Market Weighton School is always interested in welcoming new governors to The Board. If you think this would be for you and would like to discuss the role further before putting yourself forward please do contact us through Mrs Sarah Florence, clerk to the governors, sflorence@tmws.co.uk

WALL OF EXCELLENCE



Students who have all had a piece of work chosen for the 'wall of excellence' are published in our termly newsletters.

Their work is then displayed on a dedicated noticeboard in school to showcase their achievements.

As a reward, these students will be credited with £2.00 on their School Gateway account.

Heidi Hawkett	7CHH
Chloe Hatfield	7CHH
Ellie Jackson	7JMO
Harry Whitehouse	7JMO
Grace Bland	7JMO
Emma Lind	7JMO
Alex Pickles	8EO
Will Wilson	8PF
Ben Thacker	9KGE
Charlotte Cooper	9BH
Charlie Kennedy	9BH

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES.....

Term Dates 2018-2019

Summer Term	24 April to 19 July
Staff Training Day	23 April
Half Term	27 May to 31 May
Staff Training (Disagg)	22 and 23 July

Term Dates 2019-2020

Autumn Term	3 September to 20 December
Staff Training Day	2 September
Half Term	28 October – 1 November

Spring Term	7 January to 3 April
Staff Training Day	6 January
Half Term	17 February to 21 February

Summer Term	21 April to 17 July
Staff Training Day	20 April
Half Term	25 May to 29 May
Staff Training (Disagg)	20 July

Educational Visits				
Date	Destination	Trip leader	No of Pupils	Year
1 - 8 June 2019	Azu Rivage - French Watersports	KWT	41	Y9
12 June 2019	Farm Trip Visit	JPO	29	Y7
13 June 2019	Holderness Coast	PS	50	Y7
14 June 2019	Holderness Coast	PS	50	Y7
17 - 21 June 2019	Kingswood Dearne Valley Residential - Y8	TB	84	Y8
18 June 2019	Fangfoss Pottery Visit	ST	4	Y9
19 June 2019	Farm Trip Visit	JPO	29	Y7
20 June 2019	Flamingoland	CBR	TBC	Y11
21 June 2019	WIME	MJ	30	Y10
26 June 2019	Farm Trip Visit	JPO	29	Y7
27 June 2019	N York Moors Geography Field Trip	PS	25	Y9
28 June 2019	N York Moors Geography Field Trip	PS	25	Y9/Y10
3 July 2019	Farm Trip Visit	JPO	29	Y7
17 July 2019	Netball World Cup	KW	40	Y7-Y11