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Headteacher's Update

Welcome to this special edition of our school newsletter as we start the Easter holidays. This has been a short half term which started with all students working remotely and finished with almost all back in school. Attendance has been very high since all students returned and we have been lucky not to have any positive COVID cases in school, resulting in the need for others to self isolate. Thank you for all your support in getting students back safely.

We have issued more home test kits to all students so they should have enough to continue testing twice a week throughout the holidays. It is vital however that they save at least 1 test for the day before we return to school for the summer term. All **students return on Tuesday 13th April** following a teacher training day. Year 11 students will continue their trial exams before a few weeks of revision before their final assessments in May.

Last week we had a remote visit from Ofsted who are currently assessing if schools have implemented remote learning effectively. The visit was very positive and helped by all the positive feedback you gave on 'Ofsted Parent View'. I would particularly like to thank all those who took the time to write comments for the inspectors; they were impressed by what they read and I am sure that will be reflected in the report when we receive it later this month. I will share the report with you as soon as it is published and it will be available on the Ofsted website. This visit was not part of the usual inspection framework but will give us some areas for improvement around curriculum development and recognise the great work that we are doing at TMWS for all our students.

As we expected we have found that those students who worked hard during lockdown have not fallen behind and indeed many have completed some excellent work. In this newsletter we showcase some of the amazing art work our students have produced over lockdown. More work is included in a short video available on the TMWS Facebook page.

One of the positives from the last year is that more of us have been getting out walking, running and cycling in the local area. I see increasing numbers of people passing the school every day and we are very lucky to live in such a great area for getting out and enjoying the East Yorkshire landscape and wildlife. To encourage students to keep this up we have set another House Challenge to run, walk and cycle 13,000km to Tokyo for the start of the summer Olympics. Please log your family walks and share any ideas for routes with Mrs Townend. See the article in this newsletter for more details and the current leader board.

Over the past year of school closures and restrictions students have missed out on after school activities and sport and drama in particular. We are funding a late bus 3 evenings per week for the rest of this year and next using the government catch up funding to allow all students to stay back and take part in activities. Mrs Townend has published the after school sport timetable in this newsletter and Mrs Collins has started auditions for a school play scheduled for November 2021. I am particularly pleased that more Year 9 students have joined our Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award group which meets every Thursday after school. With restrictions easing on 17th May to allow overnight school trips, the students are busy planning their first expedition. Our Year 10 and 11 students completing their Silver Awards will also be able to get out on expedition this summer and complete their Awards. Hopefully the plan to ease lockdown will remain on track and we can look forward to a more typical summer of activities.

Richard Harrison
Headteacher



SEN TEAM WALK FOR AUTISM

Members of our SEN team have been taking part in this years Walk for Autism, where they have to do a minimum of 10,000 steps per day over 8 days. The event runs from 26 March to 2 April.

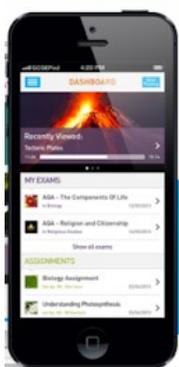


l-r Miss Pickup, Mrs Woodhead, Miss Milnes, Mrs Tyreman, Miss Gemmell, Mrs Brooke, Miss Holland, Miss Metcalfe & Miss Roydhouse.

If you would like to support our staff and this worth cause please follow the link;

<https://www.walkforautism.co.uk/fundraisers/teamtmws>

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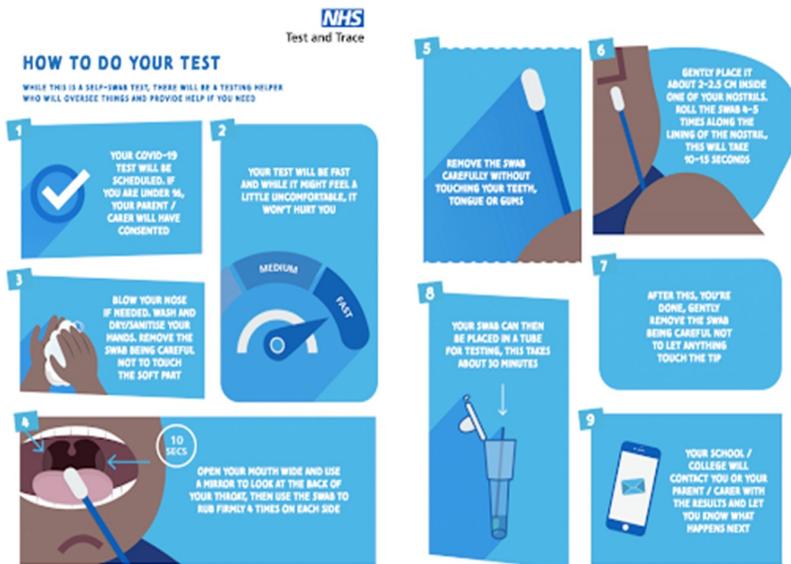
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The award winning school rewards system

Lateral Flow COVID Testing at Home

Following the 3 lateral flow tests in school all those students taking part have received 3 packs of home test kits and an instruction booklet. The tests are straight forward to administer, the instructions are clear and all students have been shown how to process the tests and interpret the results. Students should test themselves twice a week, on a Sunday evening and again on Wednesday or Thursday evening. Each box contains 3 tests which should last until we return after the Easter break. Students should continue to test throughout the Easter holidays.

Test results



The results of each test need to be reported to NHS Test and Trace using the link below:

<https://www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result>

We also need to track results and ask that you record them on the Google Form on the front page of our website.

<https://www.themarketweightonschool.co.uk/>

Your child will be able to do this themselves or you can do it for them.

If you want to take part in testing for the whole family you can order test kits using the link below:

<https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests>

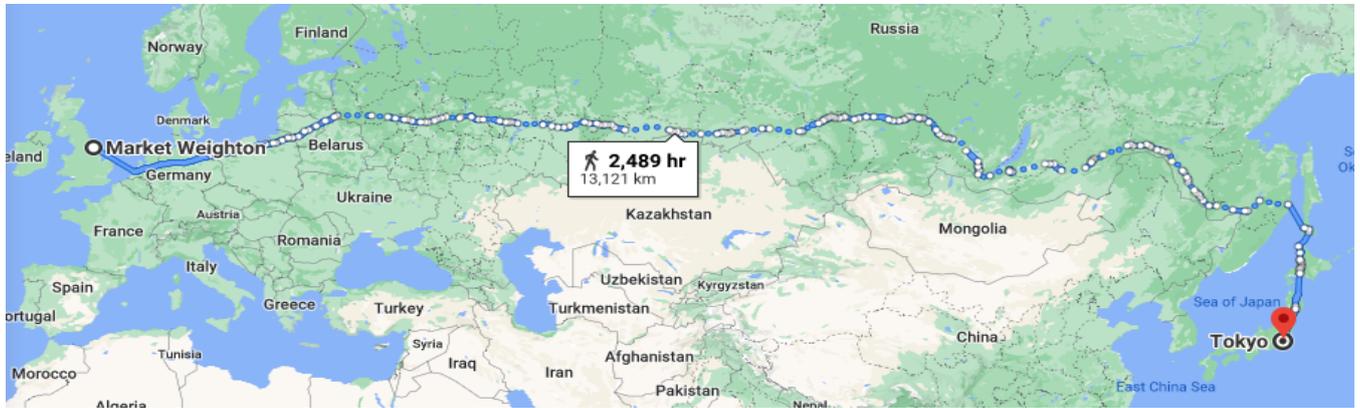
This is just one measure we are taking to keep schools safe and open. The students have taken on board the need to wear face coverings inside the building and are following all our other procedures. Each of these measures will help keep staff and students safe and keep schools open.

If your child, or anyone in your household, has symptoms (or has tested positive) your family must self-isolate for 10 days from the positive test. You should contact the school as soon as possible so we can take action to inform other students to self-isolate if needed. It is inevitable that this will happen at some point but if we all follow the procedures we can reduce the risk and limit the number of individuals that will need to self-isolate.

If your child does need to self-isolate, or is off school for any other reason, all lessons will be set on Google Classroom. It may not be possible to link into the live lesson but all the materials will be posted so our students can follow the same lessons and complete the same tasks as their peers in school. Teachers will use E-Praise to communicate with your child so they know what they should do for each lesson.

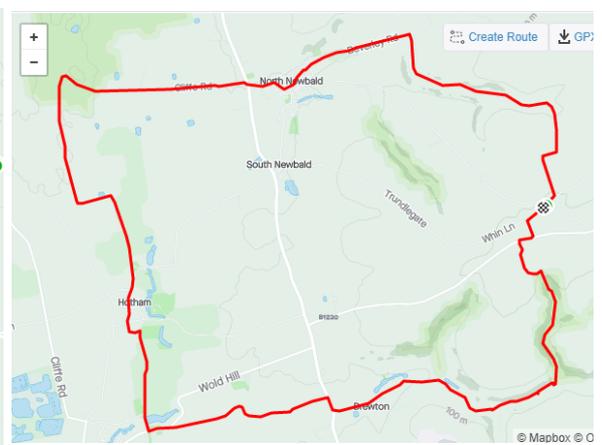
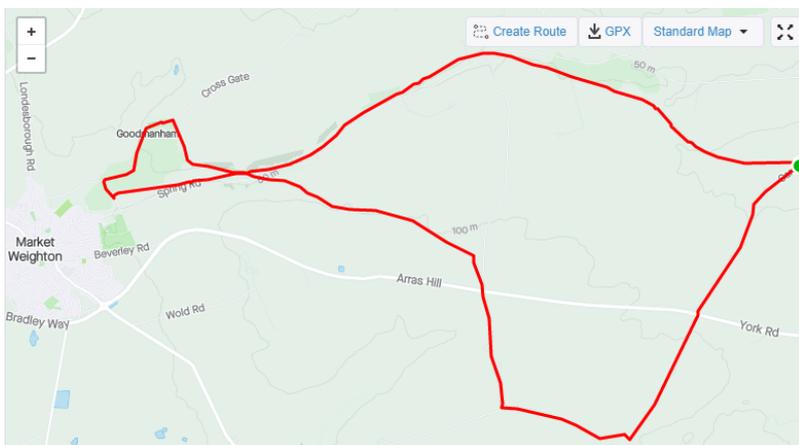
PE Tokyo Challenge and after school sport

Following the success of the lockdown KM challenge Mrs Townend has set each house the target of running, walking or cycling to Tokyo in time for the start of the Summer Olympics on 23rd July 2021. After the first two weeks Burlington have set a good lead with 888km completed with Wicstun in second place with 564km. Students in Langdale and Londesborough need to get out running, walking and cycling to catch up over the next few weeks as we have a long way to go!



Remember to log all your efforts on the google form <https://forms.gle/bb9mSgWVK17v9bHb7>

If you want a good 20km challenge for a walk or run Mr Harrison has two great routes starting from Market Weighton and Newbald. Many of you will use the railway line and come back through Goodmanham, try the additional longer loop by continuing along the railway line to



where it crosses the road to Etton, turn right through Gardham, cross the A1079 and follow the road before turning right on the footpath to Arras Wold and back to Market Weighton on the Wolds Way footpath.

The Newbald loop takes in the Haughton Estate (lovely in May when the Rhododendrons are in bloom), Hotham, the Drewton Estate and Weedly Dale before joining the Wolds Way back to Newbald.

Clubs Will be starting first week back and with a late bus now available every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday all students can take part.

Monday	Year 7 Netball- Outdoor with MD & CS
Tuesday	Year 7 ,8 & 9 Boys football- Field/Astro with AY & CS Year 7 & 8 Netball- Outdoor with KWT & MD
Wednesday	Girls football- Field/Astro with MD & CS
Thursday	Year 9 & 10 Netball- SH/Astro with KWT & MD
Friday	Staff and student Friday fun run- Outdoor

Free school meals update and other support

Since the students returned to school the canteen has been fully open providing the usual range of hot and cold meals. Over the Easter holidays the East Riding of Yorkshire Council are funding the £15 voucher for all families in receipt of free school meals. The school used Wonde to issue vouchers for the half term week and will be using this system to issue the vouchers for the Easter holidays.

If you have any other concerns or are struggling in this difficult time our pastoral staff are there to support you and can help you access **support from a range of services**. East Riding of Yorkshire Council have funds available to support families with details available on our website with links to access support.

<https://www.themarketweightonschool.co.uk/free-school-meals-eligibility-arrangements-important-issues/>

Internet Access

We have some temporary licences from BT to allow access to BT Wi-Fi hotspots for anyone experiencing poor reception. Please contact the school for further details.



Record numbers of Year 6 students to join TMWS

We currently have 137 students due to join us in September 2021! This is a record number in recent years and very close to the school admission number of 142. We expected an increase due to the large number in Year 6 at Mount Pleasant but we are also receiving an increased number of admissions from outside our traditional catchment area to access our SEND provision.

We will always remain a small school even with 142 students per year group and reaching this larger number is great for the school in terms of ensuring a wide range of GCSE options can be offered along with other activities.

With lockdown restrictions easing we expect that we will be able to invite all our Year 6 students into school for the usual transition days in July and we are planning a summer school to take place during the school holidays.

In the meantime parents of Year 6 students can access most information you may need in terms of school uniform and other details on the school website. You may also want to follow our Facebook and Twitter pages to be kept up to date with what is happening in school. If you have any specific questions please contact Mr Yeadon, Head of Year 7 and Year 6 transition.

<https://www.themarketweightonschool.co.uk/parents/transition/>

We look forward to meeting you and your child in school during the summer term!

A blue banner with the word 'Transition' in white. Below it, there is a graphic with a green question mark, a yellow arrow, and a red arrow. Text includes 'Year 6', 'information for students', 'transition to secondary school', 'information for parents', and 'Year 7'. A vertical link 'Click here' is on the right.

Transition

Year 6 information for students

transition to secondary school [Click here](#)

information for parents Year 7

Wall of Excellence - Rewarding 'Industry'

Students who have had a piece of work chosen for the "wall of excellence" are published in our 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. Parents receive a letter home to highlight how well they are doing. Please encourage your child to produce their best possible work and hopefully their hard work and industry will be



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Amy Dennis
Carys Large
Charlotte Hunter
Izzy Brooks
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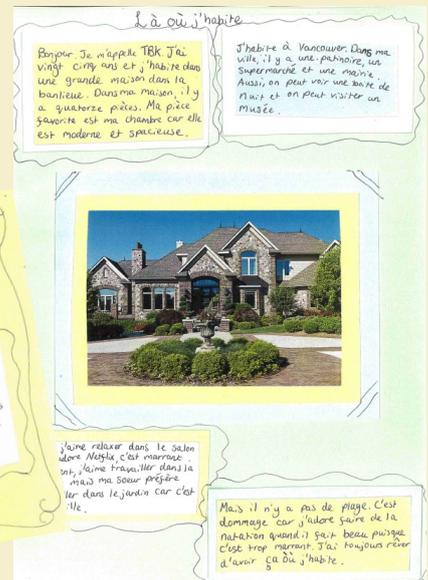
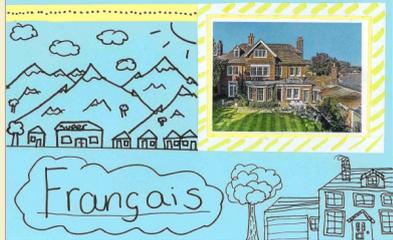
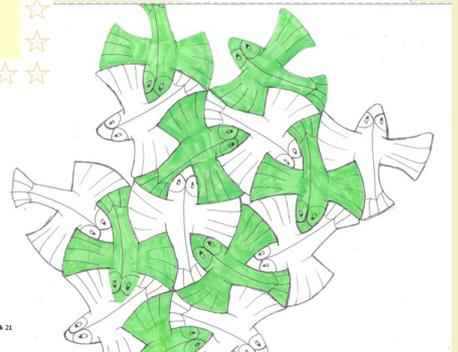
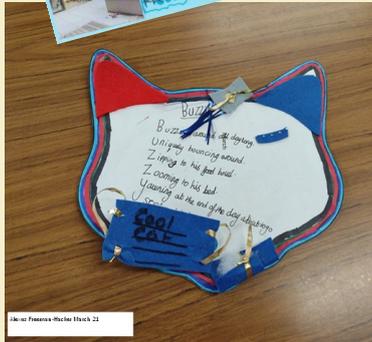


Photo: Emma Hacker 12

Photo: Amber Brook 11

Photo: Izzy 12

3 Steps To Safety

Creating a safe place to live, work, shop, learn, play, invest and visit

1

Prevent

Wash your hands
Respect social distancing

2

Notice

Be aware of COVID-19 symptoms

3

Act

Get tested
Self-isolate

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“Getting tested is a really easy way to help keep my family and my workmates safe.”

Around 1 in 3 people who have Covid-19 don't have any symptoms and can spread it without knowing.

PRATIK, RETAIL ASSISTANT

REGULAR TESTING FOR SAFER WORKING IS HERE

For more information visit eastriding.gov.uk/3stepstosafety

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES.....

Term Dates 2020-2021

Easter	29 March to 9 April
Summer Term	12 April to 26 July
Staff Training Day	12 April
Half Term	31 May to 4 June
Staff Training (<i>Students not in</i>)	26 July

To note students are not in school on staff training days.

Social Media Reminder

TMWS now has both Twitter and Facebook pages, please like and follow us to get our web updates straight to your phone.



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