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Headteacher Update

Thankfully the impact of the Omicron variant has been less than anticipated for both staff and students. We have had a significant number of infections but not quite as many as we had in late November/December. Cases have fallen significantly this week but we still need to take steps to limit infection and minimize the impact on activities in school. The school vaccinations team returned today 7th February to offer first and second vaccinations to those students with parental consent. We have been told that they will visit again later in the year as those students who have had COVID recently will not be able to have the vaccination.

East Riding Council's Road Safety Team are working with us to promote safer cycling and sustainable travel through the Modeshift programme. The team gave away over 50 helmets and 70 sets of lights, we have a new cycle shelter and this week the team are back on PD Day to offer bike servicing and repair workshops for any students who cycle to school. Other events are planned for later in the year including a bike library where students will be able to loan a bike free of charge!

Thank you to all who made donations in memory of Eden Street. We have created an additional seating area just outside the Wellbeing Centre / main student entrance and have some work planned inside the Wellbeing Centre to create an additional confidential meeting space. We will be doing more work on our sensory garden and outside spaces as the weather improves.

Our Year 9 students are just about to choose their GCSE options which will start after February half term. In most schools Year 9 students will be choosing options around now but at TMWS we start these courses almost immediately which allows our students to choose 4 subjects in addition to the compulsory core subjects. Starting slightly earlier than some schools creates higher levels of engagement, motivation and gives time to achieve a deeper understanding of each GCSE or vocational subject.

Year 11 are beginning that final phase of revision as they approach their second set of trial exams after half term. Revision sessions will be taking place over the half term and Easter holidays to help prepare our students for the real thing in May/June. We fully expect GCSEs to go ahead this summer but with some slight modifications in light of COVID disruption. The Prom is booked for Thursday 7th July, and will take place at Cave Castle this year. Students can win a free ticket by attending Period 6 and holiday revision sessions.

Hopefully we can now look forward to a spring and summer without further disruption and start to organise more trips and residential visits. I have received several letters from Mrs O'Mally's Year 9 English class trying to persuade me to include more visits into the curriculum having been given the task of writing to persuade they have presented a strong argument for increasing the enjoyment of learning with friends.

Finally I am pleased to report the plans for our new all weather football pitch have been submitted for planning permission and we have been awarded a further £7500 from the Sancton Wind Farm Fund to contribute to the overall project. We are awaiting the final approval of our bid from the Football Foundation who will hopefully provide the remaining funding. The decision is expected in April which would allow the build to take place over the summer.

Richard Harrison
Headteacher



Safer cycling and sustainable travel

East Riding of Yorkshire Council have teamed up with TMWS to promote sustainable travel and safer cycling with students benefitting from several initiatives. All those who cycle to school, or cycle for leisure, were given cycle helmet and lights with a few other goodies given away too. We have also had a new cycle shelter installed for those hardy students who cycle in all weathers!

During our second Personal Development Day we will be offering cycle maintenance workshops and later in the year cycling proficiency training and hopefully some cycling events for those who want to try racing.

In March we will also have access to a bike Library where students will be able to loan a bike, for the summer, for free!



Staying warm this winter

If your child does not have a school jumper please consider buying one. To reduce the costs we have made the jumper a standard plain grey V-neck jumper with no logos etc. You can purchase from Price and Buckland or any high street/on line retailer. Following feedback from our Student Council we will also be including a V neck sweatshirt in our uniform list as soon as they are available.

Please note hoodies are NOT allowed. Students should have a coat to wear to and from school in cold weather rather than wearing additional layers under blazers which then get wet. Lockers are available for outdoor clothing.

The requirement to have all rooms well ventilated will mean it is colder than usual in school this winter.



COVID-19 Update.

I am pleased to report that we have not had as many staff or students off over recent weeks. Cases have dropped again this week and hopefully this will continue. Face coverings are no longer required in school but staff will continue to wear them when close to students and it would be sensible for students to wear one in busy areas.

We are expecting lateral flow testing to continue for at least the rest of this term and have been asked to take part in a quality assurance of the accuracy of the lateral flow tests. This will involve students taking a PCR test in addition to the normal lateral flow tests so that the results can be compared. We will be asking for volunteers to take part in this over the next 4 weeks.

All students will be issued with lateral flow tests roughly every 3 weeks to allow for twice weekly testing, please continue to encourage this every Sunday and Wednesday evening and make sure the results are reported on the NHS website. As a school we no longer need to know if the tests are negative but please do report any positive results and keep your child at home. The isolation period remains at 10 days maximum but can now be as little as 5 days if you have a negative test result on day 5 and again on the morning of day 6, after which your child can return to school. When calculating isolation periods the day symptoms start or you get the first positive lateral flow test is day 'zero'.

Thank you to all parents and students for making every effort to follow all these procedures as they have limited the impact on staff and student absence and allowed us to maintain face to face education for all students.

The schools vaccination team will be returning to TMWS on Monday 7th February to offer first and second vaccines to the students with parental consent. As those who have had COVID recently will not be able to have the vaccine, we have been told that the team will return again later in the year to offer another round of catch up vaccinations.

It seems too soon to say that COVID is over but it does seem we are past the worst and can look forward to a much more normal spring and summer of activities and events in school.



We must keep on protecting each other.



HANDS



FACE



SPACE

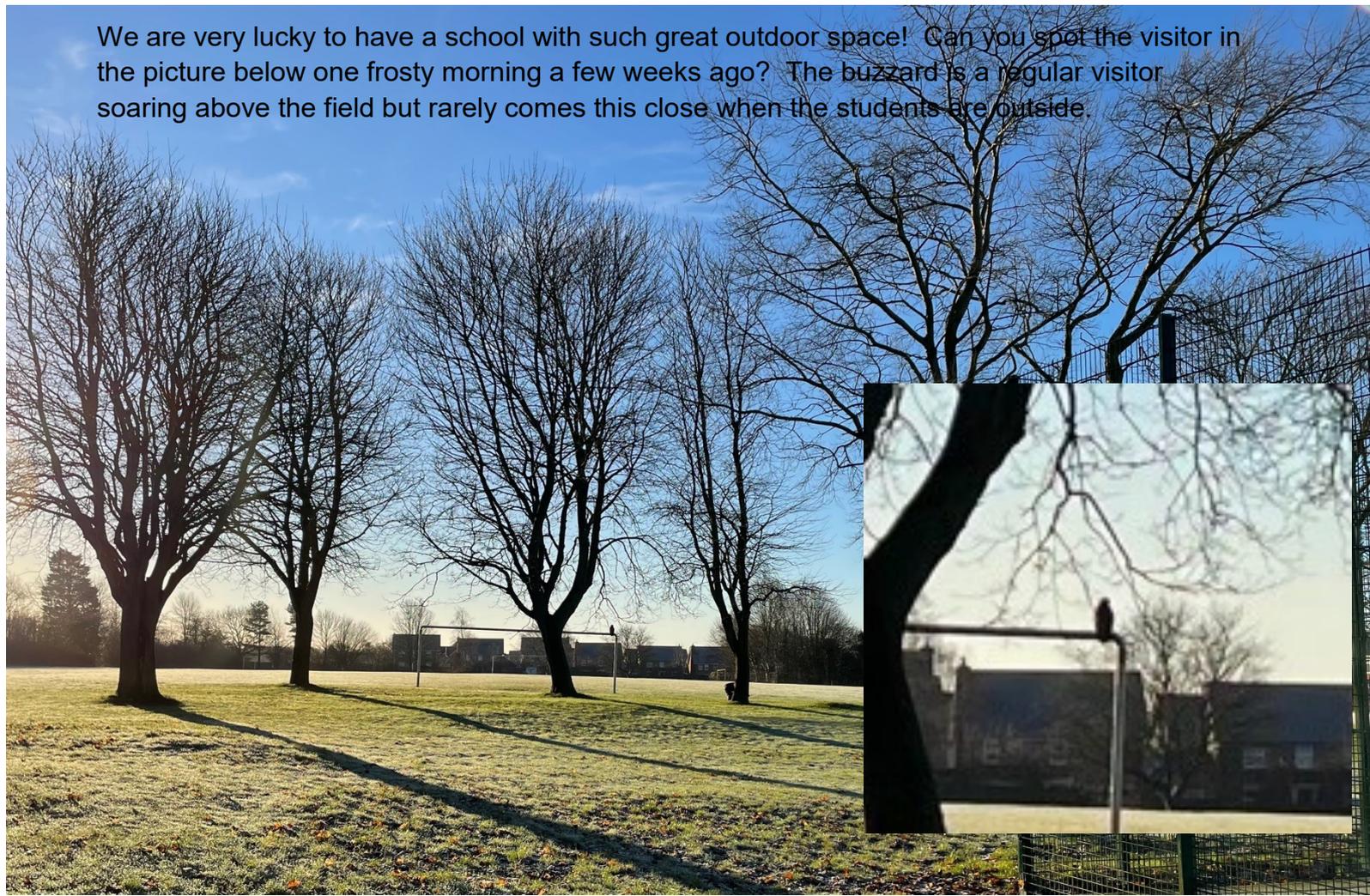
STAY ALERT • CONTROL THE VIRUS • SAVE LIVES

Improving our Outdoor Spaces at TMWS

Thanks to the generous donations in memory of Eden Street we are creating a new student seating area between the main school building and the Wellbeing Centre. A space where students can sit at breaks and during the warmer weather when meeting with our wellbeing team. The benches are hard wearing made of recycled plastic so should need minimal maintenance. The area has been planted with spring bulbs and the planters have bulbs and shrubs with purple flowers, Eden's favourite colour. We are planning to continue to develop our outside spaces to create places where students can sit with friends at breaks or make the most of outdoor learning opportunities.



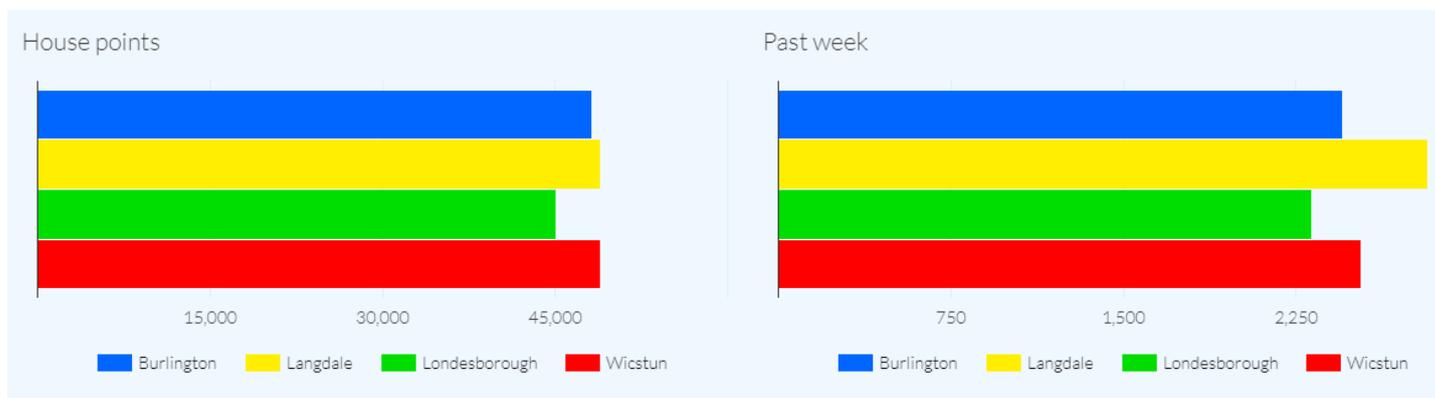
We are very lucky to have a school with such great outdoor space! Can you spot the visitor in the picture below one frosty morning a few weeks ago? The buzzard is a regular visitor soaring above the field but rarely comes this close when the students are outside.



#TeamTMWS

If you want to join our dedicated, ambitious and positive staff team we advertise all available positions on our website—. Please follow the link below for details of any current positions.

<https://www.themarketweightschool.co.uk/more/vacancies/>



After a strong week Langdale almost take the lead from Wicstun!

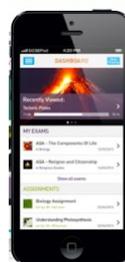
Top student last week was Pipa with a total of 84 points awarded. Toni, Annie, Neve and Daisy made up the top 5!

Best tutor group is 7RDM on 13466 points with 7AOM dropping into second place.

Emily is still in the lead with 806 points with Phoebe, Lilliiana, Emma and Hallie not far behind!

Keep earning those points.....

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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 rewarded. Below are a selection of the works that were chosen.



Voici ma mère. Elle a les cheveux bleus longs et frisés. Elle a les yeux noirs. Elle est grande et bonne et sympa.

Voici mon père. Il est charmant. Il a les yeux noirs. A mon avis, il est petit et amusant et étonnant.

Voici mon frère. Il a les cheveux courts et est un peu têtu. Il a les yeux noirs. Il est petit, jeune et sportif et aime jouer au football.

Voici ma sœur. Elle a les cheveux courts et est blonde. Elle a les yeux noirs. Elle est intelligente et amusante.

Bonjour! Je m'appelle Lisa. Je suis vraiment intelligente et amusante. J'ai les cheveux courts et est blonde. J'ai les yeux noirs et suis petite, jeune et sportive.

by madison Tredal

Voici mon grand père. Il est très vieux et très gentil. Mais est amable de temps en temps. Mon grand père est chauve et fort.

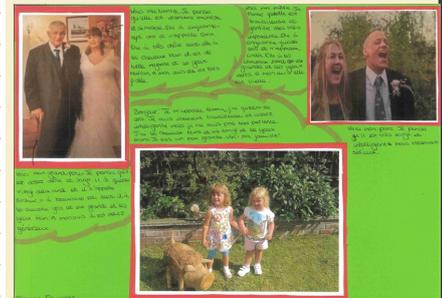
Je m'appelle Peter. Je suis très charmant et assez amusant. Je suis pas paresseux. J'ai les cheveux courts et ondulés. Les yeux bleus.

Voici ma tante. Elle est très amusante et est blonde. Elle est très intelligente et est amusante.

Voici mon père. Il est cool et travaille. Il s'appelle Tony. Mon père n'est pas très grand mais est amusant.

Voici mon frère. Il est très amusant et est un peu têtu. Il est très amusant et est un peu têtu. Les cheveux courts et est amusant.

- Alanna Edmonds
- Charlotte Hunter
- Maddison Tindall
- Carys Large
- Otti Mills
- William Baker
- Georgia Levitt
- Edward Martin
- Elizabeth Hart
- Abi Shooter
- Oliver Meyer
- Emily Richardson
- Ruby Calam
- Jasmine Long
- Penny Vernon



There were too many recommendations to put all in the newsletter, they can be viewed in school on the displays.

Voici ma mère. Elle s'appelle Lisa. Elle est très intelligente, amusante et aime jouer au football. Elle a les yeux noirs. Elle n'est pas très grande mais est amusante.

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Bonjour! Je m'appelle Thor. Je suis très cool et vraiment fort mais je ne suis pas sage. J'ai les cheveux noirs, mi-longs et ondulés. J'ai les yeux bleus et noirs. J'aime la bière!

Mon meilleur ami est Hulk. Hulk est très fort, intelligent et un peu agressif parfois. Hulk aime les sciences cependant Hulk aime violence.

Voici mon frère. Il s'appelle Steve Rogers. Steve est très amusant et est très intelligent. Steve est très amusant et est très intelligent. Steve est très amusant et est très intelligent.

Voici ma sœur. Elle s'appelle Natasha Romanoff. Elle est très forte, intelligente, cool et sage. Elle a les cheveux mi-longs, noirs et ondulés. Elle aime les yeux verts. Elle adore les livres de sa famille d'origine. Les Avengers et être un héros.

Voici mon frère. Il s'appelle Steve Rogers et il est amical, sympa et travailleur. Il a un superbe costume et un morceau. Il aime de très modernes. Ses amis sont la technologie.

The Avengers

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.



Boccia at Hull University

Mrs Holland took a team of students to Hull University Sports Centre to learn the sport of Boccia and take part in a competition with other local schools.

Boccia is a **precision ball sport**, similar to bocce, and related to bowls and pétanque. The name "boccia" is derived from the Latin word for "boss" – bottia. The sport is contested at local, national and international levels.

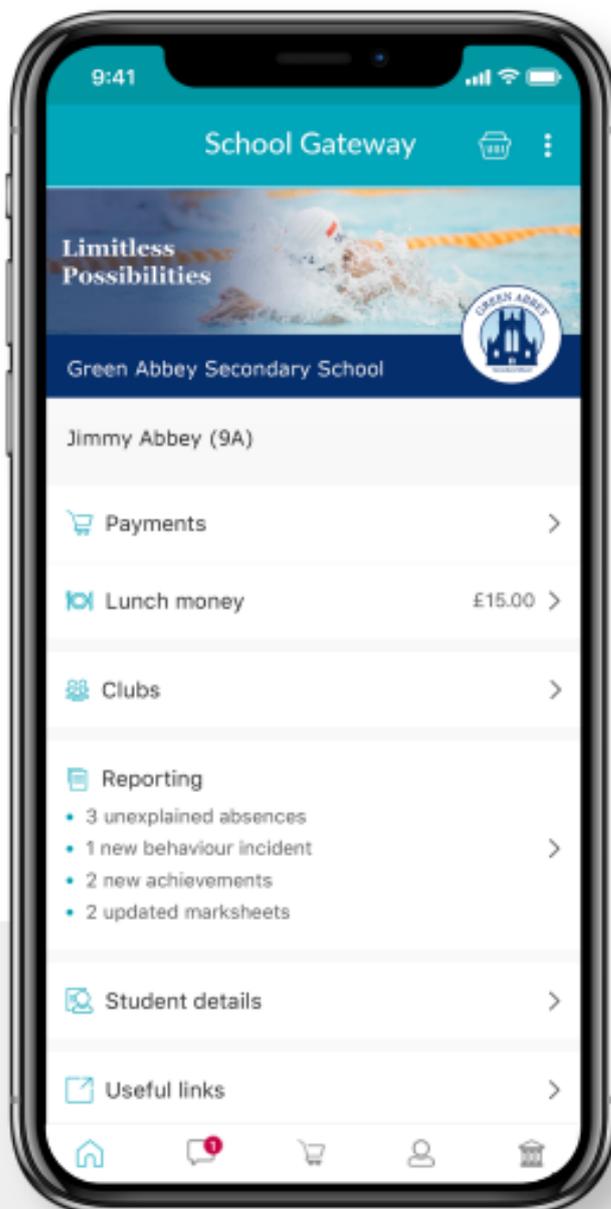
After mastering the rules our team came away with a Gold and two Bronze medals.



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DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES.....

Term Dates 2021-2022

Spring Term	4 January to 8 April
Staff Training Day (<i>Students not in</i>)	Tuesday 4 January
Half Term	21 February to 25 February
Easter Holiday	11 April to 22 April
Summer Term	25 April to 26 July
Staff Training Day	25 April
Half Term	31 May to 3 June
Staff Training (<i>Students not in</i>)	25 July

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

SCHOOL TERM DATES 2022 - 2023 ACADEMIC YEAR



AUTUMN TERM 2022					
	August	September	October	November	December
Monday	1 8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28	5 12 19 26
Tuesday	2 9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27	4 11 18 25	1 8 15 22 29	6 13 20 27
Wednesday	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28	5 12 19 26	2 9 16 23 30	7 14 21 28
Thursday	4 11 18 25	1 8 15 22 29	6 13 20 27	3 10 17 24	1 8 15 22 29
Friday	5 12 19 26	2 9 16 23 30	7 14 21 28	4 11 18 25	2 9 16 23 30
Saturday	6 13 20 27	3 10 17 24	1 8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26	3 10 17 24 31
Sunday	7 14 21 28	4 11 18 25	2 9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27	4 11 18 25

SPRING TERM 2023				
	January	February	March	April
Monday	2 9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27	6 13 20 27	3 10 17 24
Tuesday	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28	7 14 21 28	4 11 18 25
Wednesday	4 11 18 25	1 8 15 22	1 8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26
Thursday	5 12 19 26	2 9 16 23	2 9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27
Friday	6 13 20 27	3 10 17 24	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28
Saturday	7 14 21 28	4 11 18 25	4 11 18 25	1 8 15 22 29
Sunday	1 8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26	5 12 19 26	2 9 16 23 30

Autumn	35	70	195
Spring	29	59	
Summer	29	66	
School Holiday	37		
Bank Holiday			

SUMMER TERM 2023			
	May	June	July
Monday	1 8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26	3 10 17 24 31
Tuesday	2 9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27	4 11 18 25
Wednesday	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28	5 12 19 26
Thursday	4 11 18 25	1 8 15 22 29	6 13 20 27
Friday	5 12 19 26	2 9 16 23 30	7 14 21 28
Saturday	6 13 20 27	3 10 17 24	1 8 15 22 29
Sunday	7 14 21 28	4 11 18 25	2 9 16 23 30

These term dates are for Community and Voluntary Controlled schools in East Riding of Yorkshire.

Schools can set five non-contact days when the school will be closed to pupils.

5 - Non Contact Days