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# The Market Weighton School *Expect More - Achieve More*

## Parent Newsletter

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## Headteacher Update

Welcome to the first Newsletter of the academic year. We welcomed the 70th intake to The Market Weighton School on 6th September and will be looking for ways to mark our 70th anniversary throughout the year. If you have any relatives who attended Market Weighton High School in that first intake of 1952, or later years, please share their memories with us. We are particularly keen to collect photographs or other items from those early years. Looking at the whole year photographs in our main corridor is always popular with parents who attended TMWS, we are missing photographs pre 1992 and would love to see them (if they exist) and take digital copies to add to our collection.

It is also a time to look forward, and, with a £1.061 million investment in our sports facilities nearing completion we have lots to look forward to! We have also had a visit from Ofsted and we look forward to sharing the reports with you as soon as it is published next month. I would like to thank all who responded to the Parent View questions. Most responses were 90% positive with many parents taking the time to give free text comments which were very supportive of what we are trying to achieve at TMWS. Remember we value your views, and you can contact staff through a variety of ways including E-Praise, e-mail and phone call.

Mr Savage is offering an information evening and workshop on using E-Praise, along with other software we use, to Year 7 parents. Anyone who feels they are not confident in using these systems are welcome to attend on Thursday 6th October at 6:00pm.

The highlight of September is always the School Walk and this year was no different. We were blessed with a lovely sunny day and saw almost all students complete the 13 mile route. Thank you to parents for supporting this, our main fundraising event of the year. You can read about this year's House Charities in this Newsletter.

It was also a pleasure to be able to welcome Year 6 students and their families into school for an Open Evening for the first time in 3 years. The event was very well attended and everyone commented on the fantastic positive atmosphere around school. Our current students were there to act as tour guides and did an amazing job.

Our students have made an excellent start to the new school year with attendance levels higher than ever and hardly any incidents of poor behaviour. However we do continue to be concerned about the number of students who are vaping and do not seem to understand it could be harming their health. Following the publication of national vaping statistics this week I have included details of our views and policy on vaping and ask for your support on this. Health education is a key part of our personal development curriculum and we have even more after school sporting and other activities taking place in school. A key priority for us this year is to continue to develop our Super Curriculum and celebrate our first Super Curriculum Superstar in this Newsletter. Students are set tasks in every subject each half term to broaden their knowledge and deepen their understanding by reading articles, watching videos and visiting places connected with each topic.

We have also marked the passing of Queen Elizabeth II with assemblies looking back at her life and explaining the historical significance of the events of recent weeks. Students have been leaving messages in a book of condolence which we will keep as a record of this momentous event as the Queen's platinum jubilee coincides with our own 70th anniversary.

I hope you enjoy the Newsletter.

**Richard Harrison**

Headteacher



# TMWS School Walk 2022

Our annual school walk took place on Friday 23rd September. Each year the whole school come together to raise money for our chosen House Charities and develop character traits such as resilience by walking 13 miles across the Yorkshire Wolds from School to Numberholme and back. It has become a tradition for Year 11 to complete the walk in fancy dress and the event is now a highlight of their final year at TMWS. The walk was introduced to the School by Head of PE, Dick Wilson back in the late 70s. He still joins the walk every year and is now watching his grandchildren complete the challenge! Judging the number of comments posted on Facebook there are plenty of parents who have fond memories of the School Walk and Mr Wilson's lessons.

We have chosen charities this year that have all been nominated by students or staff where these medical conditions are impacting on their lives. The bulk of the money raised comes from the school walk with students also able to donate their E-Praise points at the rate of 1 point = 1p. In the first week of term our students donated more points to charities than they spent in the E-Praise shop. This shows that Compassion really is one of our school values. It is not too late to collect sponsors and all monies can be paid in through the School Gateway or taken to reception.



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# House charities 2021-22

## Burlington

It is estimated that around 1 in 10 young people experience poor mental health. Hull and East Yorkshire Mind recognises that it is always good to talk about emotional and mental wellbeing for fear of being laughed at or not being taken seriously by other people might say. Mind Matters.



Hull & East Yorkshire Mind was founded in 1976 and has 43 years experience in providing mental health services to people in Hull and East Yorkshire.

<https://www.heymind.org.uk/who-we-are/about/>

## Langdale

Motor Neurone Disease is a progressive condition affecting the nervous system. It has no cure and we don't know exactly what causes it. In the UK 6 people die from MND every day. It has been given a higher profile recently by Rugby league player Rob Burrow.



<https://www.mndassociation.org/about-mnd/>

## Londesborough

Yorkshire Air Ambulance is an independent charity providing a lifesaving rapid response emergency service to 5 million people across the whole of Yorkshire. To keep both of our Air Ambulances maintained and in the air, we need to raise £12,000 every day, which is the equivalent of £4.4m a year. The generosity that we receive really is the life blood of this charity.

<http://www.yorkshireairambulance.org.uk/>

YORKSHIRE AIR AMBULANCE

Saving lives across Yorkshire

- Small role
- MA incident response
- Recycling for the fuel



## Wicstun

<https://aorticdissectioncharitabletrust.org/>



Aortic Dissection occurs when there is a tear in the aortic wall. It is a time critical medical emergency that without diagnosis and treatment is often fatal.

When diagnosed and treated on time it has a better than 80% survival rate. Those who do survive require specialised follow-up and monitoring.

The Aortic Dissection Charitable Trust aims to improve the diagnosis of aortic dissection and bring consistency of treatment across the whole patient pathway.

# Thank You!

# House Charities 2022—2023

Make a difference by collecting sponsors and paying in the money raised via the School Gateway OR hand in at Reception.



## Burlington



better lives for children with crohns and colitis

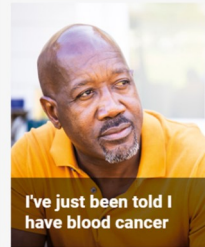
We believe in a childhood unlimited by inflammatory bowel disease. We lead research into better treatments, support children and families with relevant information, work with health professionals to improve care and give children a voice to increase public understanding of crohns and colitis.

[about us](#)

## Wicstun



Understanding blood cancer →



- > Types of blood cancer
- > Leukaemia
- > Lymphoma
- > Myeloma
- > Monoclonal gammopathy of undetermined significance (MGUS)
- > All types of blood cancer

<https://bloodcancer.org.uk/>

## Langdale



<https://www.theaat.org.uk/>

**the aplastic anaemia trust**

The Aplastic Anaemia Trust is the only charity in the UK dedicated to funding research into aplastic anaemia and associated bone marrow failures, and supporting everyone affected nationally.

[theaat.org.uk](https://www.theaat.org.uk/)

## Londesborough



<https://www.cysticfibrosis.org.uk/the-work-we-do>

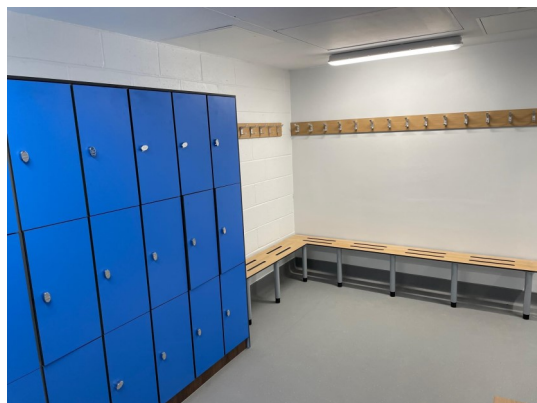
### The work we do

We are working towards a brighter future for everyone with cystic fibrosis (CF) by funding cutting-edge research, driving up standards of care and supporting people with the condition and their loved ones every step of the way.



## All Weather Pitch and Sports Hall Refurbishment Update

The work on the Sports Hall is almost complete with the main works coming to a conclusion this week. As you can see from the pictures of the changing rooms the difference is remarkable! We now have a second set of modern changing rooms, with new showers, toilets and high specification air conditioning and filtering units. These facilities will complement the pitch when it is completed by providing a high quality environment for the clubs and individual users of our sports facilities.



The squash courts, sports hall and old AstroTurf pitch are available for bookings weekday evenings from 5:00pm and weekends 9:00am to 5:00pm. Telephone 01430 872987

The aerial photograph below shows the area where the new all weather pitch is being constructed. The drainage has been added this week and it is now ready to start building up the base layers of aggregate. The aim is to have the pitch ready for use by the end of November if all goes to plan and the weather is kind to us.

Once complete this will represent a £1.061 million investment in sports facilities for Market Weighton.



## Vaping and Smoking in Secondary Schools

This week the government released figures suggesting the percentage of young people vaping has doubled from 4% to 8% in the past year. We have seen a similar rise in school and parents should be aware that a significant minority of young people are now vaping. It seems to be more socially acceptable than smoking and in some cases it is clear that parents are condoning vaping.

**Vaping is NOT for children.** If you don't smoke you should not vape. Vaping is to help adults quit smoking and is significantly safer than smoking. However the affects are not fully understood and children should not be vaping.



It is illegal to sell smoking or vaping products to anyone under the age of 18 but many are able to buy them on line or from shops. They have fruit flavours which appeal to children and the vapes themselves are designed to look like pens or highlighters.

Our policy is that any smoking or vaping materials brought into school will be confiscated and not returned. We will share information with local police on anyone we believe is selling vapes to under 18s. The consequence for being caught vaping in school, on the school site or within sight of the school gates is a day working away from peers with loss of social time. We ask parents to be vigilant and support us in discouraging vaping and not allowing your children to bring vapes into school.

We are also clamping down on groups of older students congregating in the toilets with the intention of vaping. This is unacceptable and intimidating to younger pupils. We have introduced a C3 detention for loitering in the toilets for this reason.

We are asking for your support in discouraging vaping and promoting a healthy lifestyle.

One positive of the popularity of vaping is that smoking is very rare in school but I would re-iterate that if your don't smoke you should not vape. Vaping may be better than tobacco smoke but fresh air is even better!

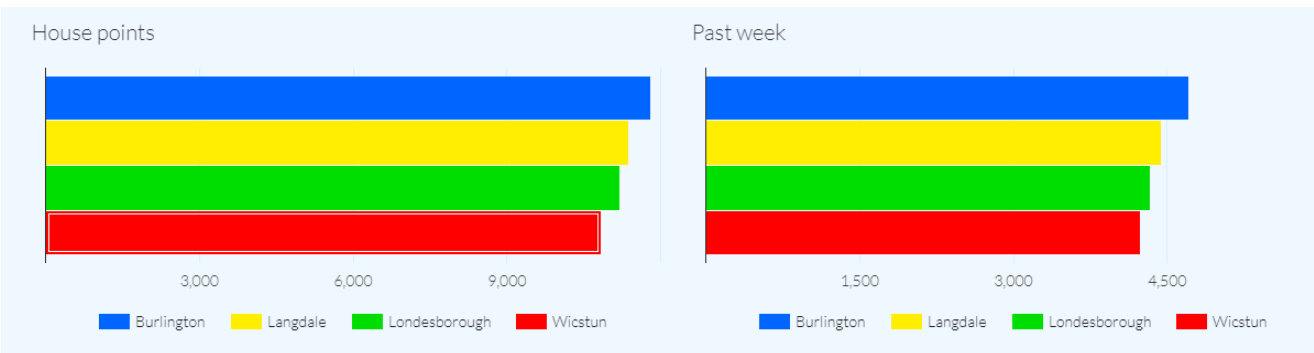
For more information follow the link below:



Young non-smokers told not to take up vaping by experts

By Annabel Rackham and Elena Bailey

# Epraise House Points and Charities



Burlington are in the lead by a small margin at week 4 of the first half term. Emily and Chelsey from Year 9 are out in front for individual points with George also in year 9 hot on their heels.

This year more emphasis is going to be placed on house points so encourage your children to work hard and participate in extra activities which will earn them more points for their houses and themselves.

You will see that the children have chosen their charities for this year which each house will be supporting

**Burlington—Cicra supporting those with crohns and colitis**

**Langdale— The Aplastic Anemia Trust**

**Londesborough—Cystic Fibrosis Trust**

**Wicstun—Blood Cancer UK**

## Interested in joining the staff at #TeamTMWS?

**We are still recruiting for Teaching Assistants** If you want to join our team please email [sflorencia@tmws.co.uk](mailto:sflorencia@tmws.co.uk) for further information.

If you are interested in invigilating for us please contact our HR Officer.

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/>



# Year 6 Open Evening—Thank You

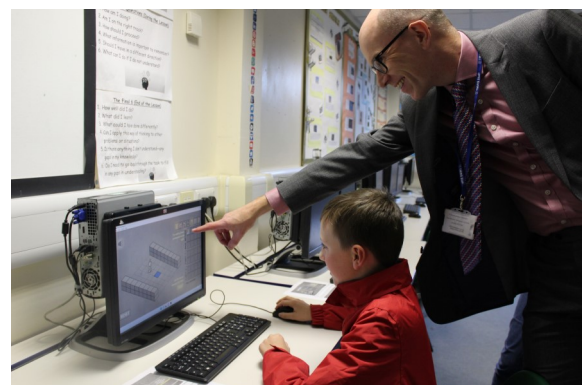
A BIG THANK YOU goes out to everyone who participated in making our Year 6 Open Evening such a success.

Many of our students volunteered to help showcase The Market Weighton School as tour guides, supporting teachers, helping with demonstrations, and answering any questions from parents and students. They were a credit to both parents and the school, they all worked extremely hard and we are very proud of them. We have received many messages of thanks following the event.



Hi  
*I just wanted to send a quick note to say it was great to come visit tonight everyone was lovely. I just wanted to highlight how wonderful our helpers were. They were super helpful, really polite and pure credit to your school. I hope you can pass on our gratitude to them  
Thank you*

If you missed the open evening or want to see more before making the important decision on secondary school you can contact us to arrange a personal tour during the school day. A visit to a school during it's normal operation is always the best way to find out what it is really like on a day to day basis.



## Mathematical Olympiad for Girls

The Mathematical Olympiad for Girls is aimed at girls and young women across the UK and consists of five challenging problems. The girls have two and a half hours to answer their 5 problems. The problems are very difficult and will stretch our very best mathematicians in Years 10 and 11.

Mrs Carter and the rest of the maths department are very proud of the 8 girls who participated in the challenge! They showed TMWS values of courage and resilience in order to attempt the questions.

A sample question is below— if you would like to take on the challenge?

### 2. This question requires answers only.

In this question, two figures are considered to be different-looking if one cannot be rotated to produce the other. For example, in the diagram below, the first two figures are *not* different-looking, but the third one is different-looking from the first two.



(a) I have lots of congruent square tiles. Half of them are painted white and the other half are painted black. I fit four of these tiles together to make a larger square.

- Draw the two different-looking squares I can make using two white and two black tiles. (You can either colour your squares, or use the letters W and B to indicate colours.)
- How many different-looking squares can I make in total?

(3 marks)

(b) I have lots of congruent tiles, each in the shape of an equilateral triangle. Half of them are painted white and the other half are painted black. I fit six of these tiles together to make a regular hexagon.

- How many different-looking hexagons can I make using three white and three black tiles?
- How many different-looking hexagons can I make in total?

(7 marks)

## Congratulations to—

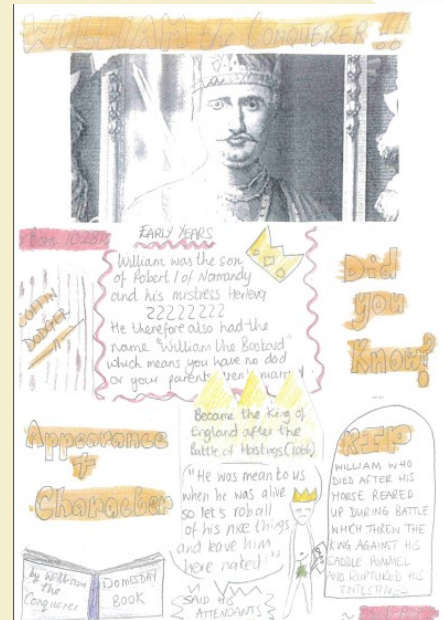
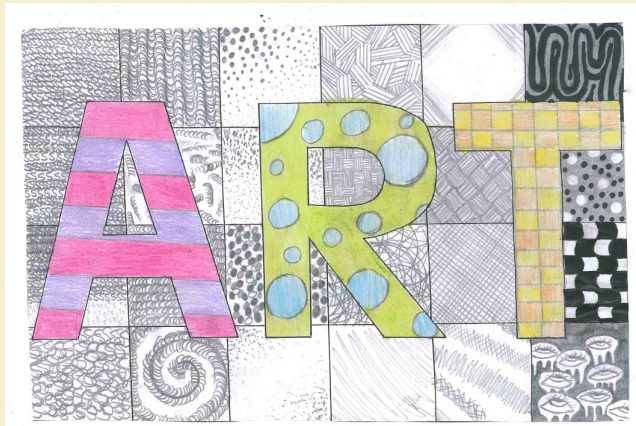
Otti, Keri, Ruby, Emily, Carys, Charlotte, Alanna and Evie

## 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.



Alexa Lord-Laverick  
Pollyanna McLeish



## School Photographs

The photographer was in school last Monday taking individual photographs of all students. These are available to buy directly from the company using the QR Code on the card issued to your child. If they have lost the card and you want to view the photographs please message [office@tmws.co.uk](mailto:office@tmws.co.uk) or call us and we will print you a new copy of the code that you will need.

In school we use the photographs in our data base SIMS and in E-Praise to help staff identify their students. The photographer will return later in the school year to take the whole Year 11 photograph.

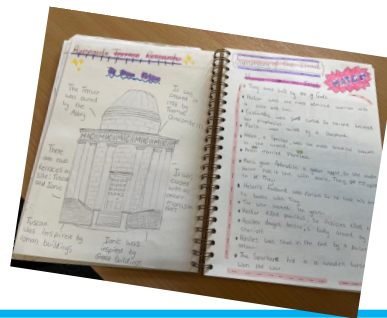


## Super Curriculum—Superstar!

One of our Super Curriculum Superstars of the Half-Term is Alexa who has made a fantastic start to her life as a TMWS student by going above and beyond in many subject areas. Firstly, she was busy this Summer completing all the Super Curriculum tasks we set for our Year 6 Transition students, completing every task in every subject area and bringing it to us in a beautiful hard back book. This is a phenomenal effort and we were all very impressed. Alexa has also made the most of our Super Curriculum tasks showcasing a great knowledge of William the Conqueror in a piece of research that included a family tree proving she is related to the man himself! Incredible!

Alexa is also performing in a variety of dramatic performances outside of school which both Miss Higgs and Mrs O'Malley cant wait to go and see! A massive well done to Alexa from all of us at #TeamTMWS.

Mr Fletcher



## Educational Visits

With the relaxation of Covid restrictions school visits are now taking place again to support our curriculum and develop students understanding of their subjects. As part of our ongoing work on the website, a new page is being developed to give you more in-depth information on what we are planning for our students. The new page will be live mid October, please look out for the updates online.

Planned Educational Visits				
Date	Destination	Trip Leader	Number of Pupils	Year Group
7 Oct 2022	National Coal Mining Museum	CBR/RJE		Y8
14 Oct 2022	National Coal Mining Museum	CBR/RJE		Y8
18–21 Oct 2022	Paris Trip	JGU	33	Y8 Y9 Y10
7-11 Nov 2022	South of Spain 2022	CGH	33	Y10 Y11
7 Dec 2022	Hull Truck—Christmas Carol	AWA	TBC	TBC
10 Jan 2023	Thackray Museum	RJE	TBC	TBC
1 Feb 2023	Poetry Live	AWA	TBC	Y11
10 Feb 2023	An Inspector Calls—York Opera	AWA	TBC	TBC
May 2023	Watersports Trip	KWT	40	Y9 Y10
10–13 July 2023	Belgium WW1 Battlefields	PF	40	Y9 Y10

# DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES.....

## Term Dates 2022-2023

Autumn Term	5 September to 31 December
Staff Training Day ( <i>Students not in</i> )	5 September
Half Term	24 October to 28 October
Christmas Holiday	19 December to 2 January
Spring Term	2 January to 16 April
Staff Training Day ( <i>Students not in</i> )	3 January
Half Term	13 February to 17 February
Easter Holiday	3 April to 14 April
Summer Term	17 April to 25 July
Staff Training Day ( <i>Students not in</i> )	17 April
Half Term	29 May to 2 June
Staff Training ( <i>Staff and Students not in, disagg days</i> )	24 & 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 29	1 8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26
Thursday	5 12 19 26	2 9 16 23 30	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	30	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