# Nidd

# NEWS

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#### Headteacher's Introduction

Dear Parent / Carer

We have seen fantastic examples of ambition, resilience and responsibility on learning walks around school and in Year 11 Art & Photography mock exams this week. Students are keen to share their learning and support each other to make progress.

This week students in Year 9-11 have had the opportunity to think about their next steps beyond Nidderdale, attending our Careers Evening to meet representatives from local 6<sup>th</sup> forms, colleges and apprenticeship providers.

Kath Jordan, Headteacher







#### **KS4 Student Leadership Team News**

This Christmas season we are holding our annual Christmas Stalls event at school. We are raising money for the charity Lymphoma action and Investing in our school future.

Christmas Stalls will be held at 4pm - 6.30pm on Tuesday 17th December in the school hall and everyone is welcome. It will be on the same day as Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper day.

We will also be running our Christmas Hamper form group competition and raffle. These will be created in Form Groups asking every student to bring in a small Christmas themed item to add to their form hamper. The winning hamper will win a Pateley lunchtime pass for the form group and form tutor. Tickets will be on sale from school reception for your chance to win an amazing Christmas Hamper. Please come along and we look forward to welcoming you.

Thank you from Student Leadership Team at Nidderdale, we value your support by attending and any donations you may want to give for the stalls.

Emily Mallender and Pippa Haley

Year 7 girls have spread much happiness today. This afternoon they did some very rapid baking all on their own and then delivered to some very appreciative people who were certainly cheered up by their kindness. This NiddVenture group have also been hard at work in Mrs Thorpe's bookshop, 'Paper People Books' decorating it ready for Santa's Grotto for the Pateley Late Night Christmas Shopping event next week. They were also given the opportunity to do a little work experience in the book shop and enjoyed sorting stock and even using the till. Many thanks to Richard Thorpe (bookshop owner) for his generosity of time and understanding of how valuable it is to students' development when they are given real responsibility.



#### Y7 NiddVenture

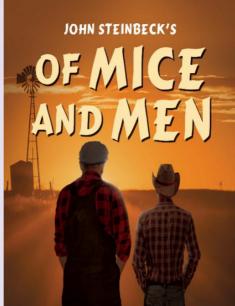
The Year 7 girls have been hard at work delivering prescriptions by bike and collecting the presents for Santa's Grotto. An express wrapping service followed with 50 presents wrapped in half an hour fantastic teamwork and they may vet get a job as Santa's Elves.



#### Y8 NiddVenture

Two of our Year 8 students played a big part in giving four children from St Cuthbert's Primary School a great day out at Brimham Rocks this week. They worked hard all day preparing assisting equipment, encouraging children who were struggling, inventing games and clearing up afterwards. They were friendly, professional, kind, absolutely rose proper to responsibility and displayed a great deal of teaching potential!

Thank you Bethan & Victoria for hard work and fine vour representation of Nidderdale High. It was an absolute pleasure to work with you and you certainly gave those children a good day out!



## Reading

Students in Year 9 have been reading Of Mice and Men in English in their first term.

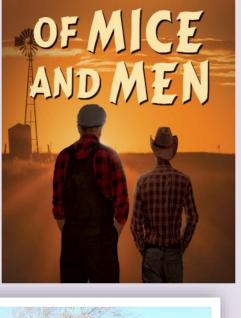
If they've enjoyed it we would recommend trying "Ghost Jewell Parker Bovs" by Rhodes or Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry by Mildred D Taylor. Copies are available in the school library.



The Cairngorms Winter Team continue to show great commitment and enthusiasm in their training for this trip. They have been learning how to fit their crampons on to winter boots and how to hold an ice axe correctly. They have put this into practice on the treacherously steep slopes of the Nidderdale High School grounds! We will certainly hit the ground running when the trip begins if they continue with the effort & focus that they've shown so far!









## **Area Cross Country Championship**

Another fantastic performance from our Nidderdale Runners in the Area Cross Country at Ripon Grammar this week. They were up against some very tough competition but certainly held their own, and as usual they absolutely excelled in their support for one other. The atmosphere around this team continues to be one of great fun, kindness, resilience & superb attitude to challenge! Thank you all for your efforts - you could not be better ambassadors for Nidderdale High and all that's good about sport. It's an absolute pleasure taking you out & seeing you compete with such enthusiasm & enjoyment.

We are currently in the very healthy position of having more runners than there are seats in the minibus. Many thanks to parent volunteer Richard White for his assistance with driving extra children to our last two cross country events and his very vocal support around the course for every single one of our runners! Thanks Richard, your presence was very much appreciated by all and allowed more children to benefit from an opportunity they otherwise wouldn't have had!

### **Unlocking Autism Support for Parents**

Did you know that North Yorkshire Council offer free support sessions for parents with a child who has autism?

The 2 day programme includes 5 sessions covering Understanding Autism, Behaviour, Communication, Sensory differences and Resilience, providing practical tools and strategies to support children and young people.

Children do not need to have a diagnosis of autism in order for parents to attend.

### Programme

Day 1: 05/02/2025 | 09:45 - 15:45

Title: Unlocking Autism for Parents & Carers - Day 1

Venue:The Golden Lion - 114, High Street, Northallerton, NORTH YORKSHIRE,

United Kingdom, DL7 8PP - Please report to reception upon arrival

Trainer: Ellie Richards, C and I Specialist Teacher Day 2: 06/02/2025 | 09:45 - 15:45

Title: Unlocking Autism for Parents & Carers - Day 2

Venue: The Golden Lion - 114, High Street, Northallerton, NORTH YORKSHIRE,

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Trainer: Alison Smith, C&I Specialist Teacher

Parents can book themselves onto the course online using the following website:

https://nyes.info/Event/234730

# 11-18s Nidderdale Youth Council



We're a group of passionate young people, working together outside of school to make positive change in Pateley Bridge and Nidderdale, that benefit the whole community!

# **Meetings online!**

Alternate Mondays
6-7pm online

Get involved! Text Chloe on 07973762347 or email chloe.thwaites@northyorks.gov.uk

\* A message from Parent Carer Voice, N Yorks

I'd love you to join me on Tues 3rd Dec at 10.30am to 12.30pm for Christmas wreath making!

Tea, coffee, cake, refreshments ~ on us!

Materials provided.

No cost to you, in partnership with NYC.

At: Ripon Community House

Please email me (Mel) ~ <u>pporipon.pcv@gmail.com</u> / reply to this email to say 'yes' and I'll confirm your booking.

This will be an opportunity to chat and share info on all things SEND and more. An informal morning with a lovely creative and festive vibe.



Hope to see you there!

Mel Hordley - <u>pporipon.pcv@gmail.com</u> Parent Participation Officer - Ripon

