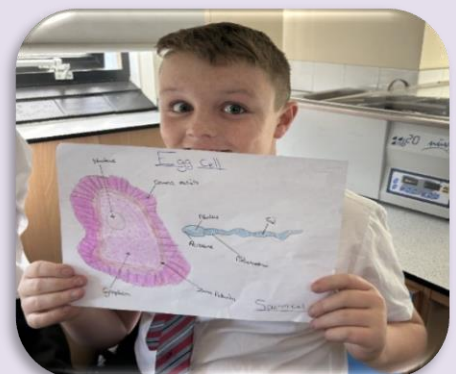


Year 7 Biology – Cell Models

Year 7 have been looking at animal and plant cells in science lessons. They were challenged to make a model of their favourite cell. The standard of work was extremely high, and this is only a small selection of the amazing work produced. Thankfully there were a lot of models made from cake and it was kindly shared amongst the class. It was fantastic to see Year 7 displaying many of the Nidderdale values, taking pride in their work, being ambitious and being kind to one another.

Mrs Carpenter



Headteacher's Introduction

Dear Parent / Carer

On Thursday we held the first of this year's face to face Parents' Evenings to discuss progress, attainment and next steps. We were delighted that 80% of Year 11 parents were able to attend appointments with subject teachers to discuss individual targets for improvement and pick up useful revision information. This group of young people are really well supported by parents and school working in partnership to reach ambitious targets.

This week Mr Devaney has met with all year groups to explain the way our behaviour system will work on Arbor. Next week, parents will receive a letter, our revised behaviour policy and information about accessing the Arbor Parent Portal so that we are ready to make the move to Arbor for behaviour, attendance and homework from Monday 4th November.

This week's newsletter contains a lot of cake as we have been celebrating the creativity different year groups and subjects have shown in their independent learning projects. No matter what materials students have used to create their biological cells and Shakespearean theatres, it is great to see well researched, ambitious designs being displayed with pride and shared with kindness!

Feedback from our recent Open Evening for Year 6 families included 'a great place to grow and succeed' with 'staff who are passionate and informative about their subject' and 'wonderful, confident students'. We couldn't agree more!

Kath Jordan, Headteacher

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

ATTEND TODAY, ACHIEVE TOMORROW



Every day 
COUNTS!

School success starts
with attendance

The Importance of School Attendance: Striving for 95%

At Nidderdale High School, we believe that regular school attendance is the foundation of academic success. Currently, our school's attendance rate is 91.3%, but we know that we can do better. That's why we're setting a goal of reaching 95% attendance, and we need your help to get there.

Why 95%?

Research shows that students with attendance above 95% are significantly more likely to achieve better grades and develop the resilience and responsibility needed to thrive in the future. Missing just one or two days every few weeks may not seem like much, but it adds up over time. At 91.3%, students are missing nearly three weeks of school a year. That's three weeks of lost learning, missed opportunities, and disrupted progress.

The Impact of Missing School

- **Falling Behind:** Even small gaps in attendance can leave students struggling to catch up.
- **Social Effects:** Consistent attendance helps students build positive friendships and a sense of belonging. When students miss school, they can feel out of the loop and disconnected from their peers.
- **Long-Term Outcomes:** Students who regularly attend school are more likely to develop the work habits that lead to future success, whether in further education, apprenticeships, or the workforce.

How You Can Help

Parents and carers play a crucial role in supporting good attendance. Here's how you can help us reach our 95% goal:

- **Establish a Routine:** Set clear expectations for bedtime and morning routines to ensure your child is ready and on time for school each day.
- **Keep in Touch:** If your child is unwell or there's a reason they can't attend, please inform us as soon as possible. We're here to support you.
- **Be Engaged:** Encourage your child to talk about their school day and stay positive about their education.

Together, we can ensure every student at Nidderdale High School gets the most out of their education, giving them the best chance of success now and in the future. Let's work together to reach 95%.

Mr Devanney, Deputy Headteacher



Year 8 NiddVenture

Year 8 boys ended their NiddVenture course with a very exciting beck scrambling trip. It was a fine way to celebrate all that they've achieved in their 6 sessions and an excellent display of teamwork, resilience & enthusiasm.

Miss Tuffs

Inter Schools Cross country Cup – 15th October 2024

Our Cross Country team performed very well in the Inter Schools Cross Country Cup at Aireville Park in Skipton. A great deal of effort was seen from everyone & plenty of strong, resilient, well-paced running. More importantly, they were absolutely the standout school in terms of their team spirit and support for each other, which is equally as important as winning! Thank you all for being such a kind & caring team to be around and for competing with enjoyment and true sportsmanship. An absolute pleasure taking you out!

Miss Tuffs



Shakespeare's Globe Theatre

Over the last few weeks, one of our Year 7 classes has been learning about Shakespeare's Globe Theatre. For their extended homework task, students were tasked with researching the theatre and creating a 3D image or a poster about it.

Some students chose to make spectacular cake versions of the Globe. Other students made a 3D printed version, models using cardboard or paper, and one student made a clay model with lifelike plastered walls.

The end results were fantastic and they are now on display in Room 10. That is, apart from the cakes, which were eagerly consumed on the day!

Well done Year 7.

Mrs Blunstone



Year 9 English creative project

Year 9 have been completing a creative project based on key moments they have read so far in 'Of Mice and Men'. Jonny took great pride in making the farm and the bunkhouse out of cake, having previously baked Shakespeare's Globe Theatre and a Gothic graveyard! The class loved sharing this delicious treat at the end of the lesson.

Thanks Jonny!

Mr Wolfram



Nidderdale High School Design Department are excited to invite you to a viewing of our talented Art, DT and Photography students' work.

We would be delighted to have family and friends join us on:

Thursday 24th October.

Private view (invite only) 5pm-5:30pm

Wider community 5:30pm-7pm

We hope you can join us to celebrate our students' creativity!

Everyone welcome.



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