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Meet our Junior Student Leaders

Dottie, Poppie, Emma, Kadan, James, Finlay, Ben, Lowansa and Russell were all successful with their applications to join this year's Junior Student Leaders' Team.

The JSL team will meet during Flourish lessons and will be working on different projects throughout the year. These will include fundraising, supporting school events and working towards an Eco school award.

They have already set up a Halloween Competition for KS3 students, details are on the fabulous poster they have produced. The JSL have already shown great teamwork in setting this competition, working together and sharing ideas. I am looking forward to working alongside them.

Mrs Parkin

Headteacher's Introduction

Dear Parent / Carer

This week has seen a range of visitors in school helping us to review the quality of our provision for young people and to plan for our next steps. The feedback we received about the commitment and passion of our staff team, the inclusive ethos of our school, the values that underpin our work, the warmth of the welcome they received and the positive attitudes and polite behaviour of our students was overwhelmingly positive.

As a leadership team we have welcomed the opportunity to spend even more time in lessons engaging with young people about the work they are doing in class and reflecting on the strategies that help them to know more and remember more; to be ambitious about their work and show pride in their achievements.

A reminder that school will be closed on Friday 10th as a mark of respect for Mr Connors. Thank you to those young people who have shared their memories of Mr Connors and to parents who have sent messages of sympathy and support. This is very much appreciated by staff and by Mr Connors' family.

Kath Jordan, Headteacher

Reminders

- Friday 10.10.25 school closed all day
- Thursday 16.10.25 Y11
 Parents' Evening book
 appointments on Arbor
- Friday 17.10.25
 'Remembering Mr Connors' events for Y8/9 and Y10/11
- Thursday 23.10.25 PTFA Quiz Night
- Friday 24.10.25 School closed to students for staff training
- Monday 3.11.25 school reopens after half term



Nidderdale High School PTFA invites you to our first In memory of 'Quiz Master' Mr Connors Raffle, refreshments to purchase and the chance to win The Connors Cup! OCTOBER Arrive any time from 6pm Adults £5, Children £2.50 Maximum 6 per team Pay on School Gateway

Fun and Fundraising for Our School Community – inaugural KS3 Colour Run

Our recent KS3 Colour Run was a fantastic success, with students and staff alike getting involved in an afternoon of energy, laughter, and a lot of colour! The event was filled with smiles as participants ran, jogged, and walked their way around the course while being showered in bright powders.

Not only was it great fun, but the Colour Run also raised valuable funds for the PTFA, whose ongoing work plays such an important role in supporting our school community. We are grateful for the enthusiasm of our students and the generosity of families who contributed to the event.

A huge thank you goes to everyone who helped make the day possible—it was a wonderful celebration of teamwork, positivity, and school spirit.

PARENTS, TEACHERS & ERIENDS ASSOCIATION

Our Parent, Teacher & Friends Association restarted last Summer and aims to support students by raising funds, providing resources, and organising events that bring our school community together.

Whether you'd like to help at events, donate, gain sponsorship from local businesses, or connect us with a company that might want to get involved, your support makes a real difference.

To find out more, contact Mr Devanney or Jennie Eyres (jenfer100@hotmail.com), or look out for details of our meetings in the school newsletter and emails.

Everyone's welcome!

Our next event is the Quiz Night – details on the flyer.



School success starts with attendance

Attendance Update

We are really pleased to share that our attendance so far this September is higher than at the same point last year. This is a very positive start to the school year and shows the commitment of our students and families in recognising the importance of being in school every day.

We would like to thank all parents and carers for your continued support in ensuring strong attendance. Regular attendance makes a huge difference to learning, progress and wellbeing, and it is great to see this reflected in our figures so far.

Let's keep working together to maintain this momentum and aim even higher in the weeks ahead.

Charity Fundraising

'One of our lovely science teachers is completing the '62 miles in October' challenge for Diabetes UK.

Years 7/8 students had an assembly from Mrs Hajjawi earlier in the week about her life as a type one diabetic and the challenges it presents. The year 11 students are all currently learning about this in their biology lessons as well. With a few other pupils as members of the diabetic community.

Mrs Hajjawi wanted to raise awareness and funding for the charity. This is her justgiving link, give the story a read and please donate:

https://www.justgiving.com/page/elly-hajjawi-2?utm_medium=FA&utm_source=CL

Outdoor Challenge Days Winners' prize

The winning team from last year's Yr8 Outdoor Challenge Days celebrated their win in good adventurous style this week, with an extra NiddVenture day as their prize. They chose to spend it Ghyll Scrambling, with some higher water levels than we've seen for a while making it an exciting trip! Well done to all for embracing another challenge and working so well together.









