

Headteacher's Introduction

Dear Parent / Carer

We were delighted to welcome prospective new families to our Open Evening last week. Visitors were full of praise for the energy and enthusiasm of staff, the way the ethos of the school is so clearly lived out and above all for the amazing student helpers who were so proud to represent their school as tour guides and subject demonstrators.

This week we have been focusing on our existing students with Information Evenings for Year 7 and Year 11 families, sharing information to enable students to achieve their best in all aspects of school life. For Year 11 parents this included the importance of thorough and early preparation for GCSE exams with well-planned revision.

On Tuesday, students in Year 7-10 had their first Flourish session of the year with bushcraft, Curry Club, Christmas crafts, trail walking, rugby and 'Robot Rampage' amongst other activities fully engaging our students.

Kath Jordan, Headteacher



Well done Belle!

Belle won third in 'Riding and Turnout 13+' category at Pateley Show on Sunday 24th September on her pony named Howgill Beetlejuice!

Thank you

Thank you to parents who have been in touch since the start of term to share their thanks and positive comments about transition support, welcome for new students, Rewards, SEN support and pastoral support. It is always lovely to be able to share positive feedback with the staff team.

Nidd Venture News

NiddVenture students continue to excel in their community work. Some outstanding work experience took place in Yorkshire Born & Bread this week. Students have displayed superb work ethic, determination to do jobs to a high standard and really showed some courage to stand up and serve the general public!

Thank you to The Chandler family of Spar & Yorkshire Born and Bread who continue to so generously support us in providing such valuable work experience opportunities for our students.

Last week also saw the return of Nidd Venture time at Corn Close.

This time our group worked as a team to plant a tree which had been donated in the orchard.

It was amazing to see such determination and willingness to try something new.





Nidderlicious will now be operating a three week rolling menu with the support of the Moorlands Learning Trust Catering Manager, Ms Heather Warwick. Look out for new dishes appearing on our menus. Four weeks in and student feedback has been very positive. Students have commented that dishes such as Hunter's Chicken and even traditional sausage, mash with onion gravy have been 'really nice'! Pizzas, wraps and paninis remain firm favourites alongside our new offer. Staff receive many thank yous. The menu has been created for three weeks and then will change to the next three week menu. All menus meet School Food England Guidelines and allergens are identified. The current menu can be found on the school website – [click here](#).

We have also updated the labelling to our pre-packaged items to ensure compliance with [Natasha's Law](#).

Mr Vass and team have also prepared extra food for rewards such as the Inter-Form winners' breakfast and Pizza Party rewards.

If you would like to contact the Catering Team please contact Mr Vass, Catering Manager at school on 01423 711246.

Fundraising Event

Last week we hosted our coffee and cake event to raise money for Macmillan Cancer Research. Thank you to everyone who contributed to make this possible. An incredible amount of £249 was raised and is on its way to support this amazing charity.

Mrs Eglin



Careers reminder

Please remember to check Classcharts announcements regularly where all post-16 open day, apprenticeship opportunities and future career enrichment opportunities will be displayed.

LOWER URE CONSERVATION TRUST

Nature Conservation Mornings for Young People

at Nosterfield Nature Reserve

Saturdays
10am-1pm

2023
7 October
9 December

2024
10 February
13 April
8 June

luct.org.uk/events-1

- ✓ Make a difference in your local community
- ✓ Practical conservation experience
- ✓ Help save nature
- ✓ Learn new skills
- ✓ D of E volunteering

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facebook.com/nosterfieldnaturereserve

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Please note that important revision and catch-up sessions are already running at lunchtime and after school for a range of subjects for Year 11.

Girlguiding
Nidderdale

Brownies and Guides in Pateley Bridge (Nidderdale units) will reopen on Monday 16th October

Brownies
Girls have nonstop fun, learning and adventure for ages 7 to 14

Guides
Girls laugh, learn and expand their horizons for ages 10 to 18

If you are interested in joining Brownies or Guides we will be pleased to see you at our first meeting.

There are also opportunities to volunteer as a Young Leader (14+) adult helper, occasional or regular, in or out of the unit leader

For more details, please either register your interest on <https://www.girlguiding.org.uk/> or contact the unit on nidderdaleguiding@hotmail.com or contact Anne on 01765 620346

We look forward to hearing from you.

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