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School Newsletter 473

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Thursday 27 April 2023

Executive Head's Introduction

Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the many families and students who joined us for the Year 11 Revision Skills Evening yesterday. If you were unable to attend, a copy of the resources available on the evening will be emailed to parents.

Thank you also for the continued support during this week's industrial action, it is very much appreciated. A reminder that school will be open for Year 11, Year 13, vulnerable and EHCP students on Tuesday 2 May.

I would like to thank the Catering Team for organising a special menu to be served on Friday 5 May to celebrate the King's Coronation.

Requests for Absence for Holidays

Requests for Leave of Absence

All requests for leave of absence must be provided to the school at least 14 days before the absence is due.

To request a leave of absence, either email: attendance@ahs.pmat.academy or hand a letter to reception addressed to the Attendance Team.

Please note, we are not allowed to authorise leave of absences during term time, any time taken will be referred to the Local Authority. They can issue a Penalty Notice where parents must pay £60 within 21 days or £120 within 28 days. The payment must be made directly to the Local Authority.

What is a Fixed Penalty Notice?

Education-related penalty notices were introduced by the Anti-Social Behaviour Act 2003, which amended section 444 of the Education Act 1996. This allows Local Authorities the power to issue Fixed Penalty Notices to parents who fail to ensure their child's (of compulsory school age 5- 16) regular attendance at school.

Is my child entitled to time off school for family holidays?

No. Parents/carers do not have the right for their child to have leave of absence for a holiday. The Headteacher has a discretionary power to grant leave under exceptional circumstances, but is under no obligation to do so.

AHS student's work celebrated in a book of prayer and poems for Ukraine

Year 9 student, Sienna Parkins' poem, 'A rose in Winter', is to be included in a book celebrating Ukraine. The book entitled 'Believe in Miracles; A hope for Ukraine' and is a collection of poems and prayers from students in Yorkshire in response to the story of Ukrainian, Julia Pohutsa, who recently shared her story with students during a visit by York Schools Youth Trust (YoYo). The book is being published by YoYo, the Christian organisation where Julia has been working and is being launched during a Ukrainian evening led by Julia at St Mark's Church, Rawcliffe this week. Orders are being taken by YoYo for the book and any proceeds will go towards Ukraine's humanitarian cause. For more information or to purchase a copy contact Tony Bower at: tony@yoyoytrust.org.uk

MFL Stars of the Week

Students were nominated by Language staff to receive an Effort merit, a postcard home and appear on the 'Stars Wall' for all their hard work:

KS3 French - David Gobl, 7Bl
KS3 German - Oscar Duncan, 8ERs
KS3 Spanish - Evie Rycraft, 7Hv
KS4 French - Sara Norman, 10Di
KS4 German - Reuben Stockdale, 10KMd
KS4 Spanish - Kathlen Butler, 11Kx

Food for Thought

The focus this week during Form Tutor Collective Worship has been 'Make a Connection', encouraging us to consider how technology can both enable us to stay connected, but can also be a barrier to true and meaningful interaction as well. The theme for our daily quotes has been on the power of Words:

"Whatever words we utter should be chosen with care for people will hear them and be influenced by them for good or ill."

Buddha, Born Prince Siddhārtha Gautama in 563BC, Founder of the Buddhist religion

To receive the daily Thought for the Day straight to your phone or other electronic device sign up to @AHSChaplaincy on Twitter.

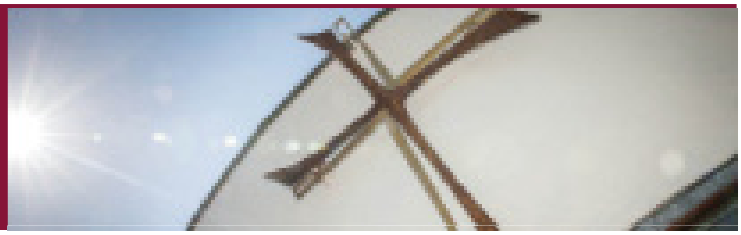
AHS Feedback

We welcome all feedback and thank all parents for their valuable contributions. If you have a query or simply an observation about the school please complete the form online.

Social Media

Please follow us on Twitter @AHSYork or Facebook to keep up to date with the latest news and events!

This Week's School News



Upcoming Events

Mon 1 May	May Bank Holiday
Fri 5 May	Y9 Cultural Experience Trips
Mon 8 May	Coronation Bank Holiday
Wed 10 May	Y10 Progress Evening, 3.30-7.30pm
Thu 11 May	Y13 Leavers' Celebration Event
Thu 18 May	Y8 -9 HPV Vaccinations
29 May - 2 Jun	Half Term
Mon 5 Jun	Students return

News from the Music Department

During the Easter break, Eve and Phoebe took part in an amazing end of course concert for the National Children's Orchestra Under 12s section.

Phoebe was joint leader of the orchestra and Eve did a turn as principal cellist

Enormous congratulations also to Phoebe who recently won the School Organists' Association, Young Organists' competition 2023 - Intermediate class. Her playing was described as "a superb, assured performance". Well done Phoebe!

The Retreat Clinic, York

The Retreat, a charity offering mental health and wellbeing services, alongside Autism and ADHD services, are offering free online training in the following areas should parents wish to attend:

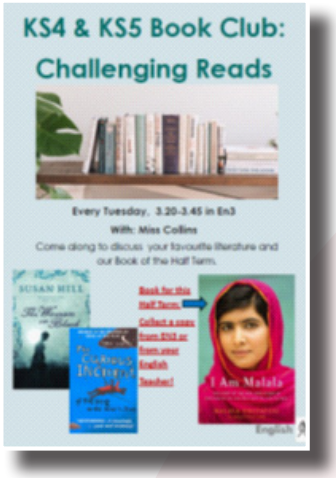
The Retreat Clinics

Five things you need to know about building resilience in young people - Wednesday 17 May, 6.00pm. A one hour workshop for parents/carers as an introduction to understanding resilience and will provide families with a toolkit of strategies to share with child/ren - register here.

Supporting a young person who self harms - Thursday 25 May, 1.00-2.00pm. This is a free workshop aimed at people working with children and young people who self harm - register here.

KS4-KS5 Challenging Reads Book Club

The KS4-KS5 Challenging Reads Book Club will start up again from Tuesday 9 May with Ms Collins taking over from Miss Parsloe. Students are welcome to come along to EN3 from 3.20-3.45pm to chat about their favourite literature and our Book of the Half Term! This half term, we will be looking at Malala Yousafzai's autobiography: "I Am Malala". A copy of the book can be collected from EN3 or English Teachers.



Term Dates 2023-2024

Summer Term 2023

May Bank Holiday	- 1 May 2023
Coronation Bank Holiday	- 8 May 2023
Half Term	- 29 May – 2 Jun 2023 (inclusive)
Term Ends	- 21 Jul 2023

Autumn Term 2023

Staff Training Day	- 4 Sept 2023 (School closed to students)
Students return	- 5 Sept 2023
Staff Training Day	- 11 Oct 2023 (Open Evening - School closed to students)
Half Term	- 30 Oct - 3 Nov 2023 (inclusive)
Term Ends	- 21 Dec 2023
Staff Training Day	- 22 Dec 2023 (School closed to students)

Spring Term 2024

Students return	- 8 Jan 2024
Half Term	- 12-16 Feb 2024 (inclusive)
Term Ends	- 21 Mar 2024
Staff Training Day	- 22 Mar 2024 (School closed to students)

Summer Term 2024

Students return	- 8 Apr 2024
May Bank Holiday	- 6 May 2024
Half Term	- 27-31 May 2024 (inclusive)
Term Ends	- 19 Jul 2024

WOW! word of the week

Fluctuate: verb - rise and fall irregularly in number or amount. "Trade with other countries tends to fluctuate from year to year."

Tweet OF THE WEEK

@AHSDofE -
Even the sign is steep!!!

Message from Head of Year 8

We hope that everyone has had a restful Easter and are ready for what is sure to be another busy but productive term at school – our final term of year 8! We cannot believe how quickly the year has gone so far.

Thank you to all the students and parents who have supported us in ensuring that the first two weeks of this final term have been successful. We ask that all our students look smart in their uniform and have all the equipment they need ready for each day ahead. This includes two pens, a pencil, calculator, reading book, ruler and any FT or PE kit they may need. We are pleased to say that the vast majority of our year group are now sorted with this and have these routines well embedded already. If you have any questions or concerns about this and would like further support, please do get in touch with us.

Year 8 is all about 'opportunities' and so what better time than now when we embark on our final term of year 8 to reflect on all those that year 8 have had access to this year and think ahead to the upcoming events we have.

Letters will have gone home with your child this week about our extra reward treat. This has been many months in the making and was slightly delayed due to an extraordinarily busy Spring term but we are pleased to announce that this will be taking place on Thursday 25th May from 5.00-6.30pm in the school sports hall. This will include a disco and pizza tea as well as refreshments. We are really excited to be able to offer this extra reward for our year group and feel it is only possible as a result of the hard work and good behaviour that our students demonstrate on a daily basis. Students will need to make their own way to and from the event. We look forward to seeing each of our students there!

Later in the year, we also have a trip to Flamingoland to look forward to as well as some of our year group going on the Languages trips in the final week of school. Sports Day is also fast approaching. Like last year, we ask that every student take part in an activity or event which, at this school, range from traditional Sports Day events like running races and javelin but also some whole team sports such as rounders and cricket to ensure everyone has the opportunity to be involved. This is always a good day to be had where students are able to win some points for their houses but also work together as a team and have fun with other students in their year group. Now, we just need to hope for some lovely, sunny weather to go along with it!

With a new summer term, the clubs and activities rota has changed. We encourage your child to look at this list regularly (a copy can be found on the school website) in order to take advantage of the wealth of opportunities our students are lucky enough to have access to.

Now that we are into summer term, we are expecting (or maybe just hoping!) the weather will heat up and so we advise students to carry a water bottle or two with them at all times. As you know, year 8 have lunchtime then go into period 4, PM registration and period 5 so they need to be well organised and fill up their water bottles at breaks and lunchtimes to ensure they have sufficient water to last through the day.

We ask that students bring their school jumper with them each day and wear this in assembly – this is part of our standard uniform checks each week – however, they do not necessarily need to wear this during lessons as the weather starts to warm up.

Along with all of the exciting extra-curricular opportunities year 8 have coming up this term, students will also be consolidating the learning they have done throughout the year in an 'Assessment week' held in the final week of this half-term. Like the year 7 Assessment Week last year, this is nothing for students to worry about: they will be spoken to by Mr Williams in assembly and told what to expect and their lesson teachers will be completing revision with them in the lessons leading up to the final week of half term. Students will also receive a booklet filled with any content or information that may be relevant to their end-of-year assessments in each subject. If students miss their assessment, they do not need to worry; an opportunity to catch up will be organised for them in school. Along with this, we will also be discussing wellbeing and revision strategies which will prepare them for their GCSE years ahead.

All-in-all, we have lots to look forward to and hope that our students maintain the high standards of good behaviour, excellent effort and general kindness around school in order to make the most of it. As always, if you have any queries or concerns, please do get in touch with Head of Year Miss Chambers (jchambers@ahs.pmat.academy) or Assistant Heads of Year Miss Waines (lwaines@ahs.pmat.academy) or Mrs Reeder (hreeder@ahs.pmat.academy).

School Menu w/c 1 May

Wednesday

Mains
Roast Pork
Shepherdess Pie (V)

On the side
Roast potatoes
Yorkshire Pudding

Vegetable
Selection of Seasonal Vegetables served each day

Snack option
Baked jacket potato and filling
Homemade sandwiches

Family Favourites
Apple Pie & Cream
"A selection of: Traybake/muffin, Cookies, Yogurt and Fruit"

Thursday

Mains
Chicken Burger in a Bun
Cheese & Onion Bake

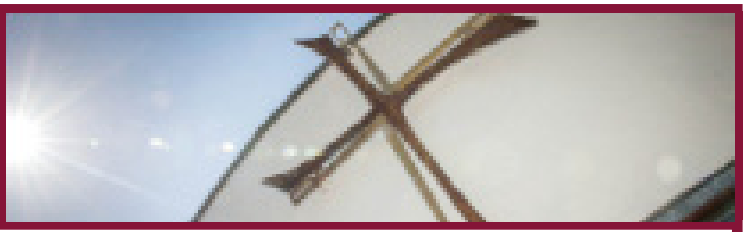
On the side
Mixed Leaves
Sliced Tomato & Cucumber

Vegetable
Selection of Seasonal Vegetables served each day

Snack option
Baked jacket potato and filling
Homemade sandwiches

Family Favourites
Jam & Coconut Sponge with Custard
"A selection of: Traybake/muffin, Cookies, Yogurt and Fruit"

This Week's Sixth Form News



Messages from Mr MacFarlane, Head of Year 13 and Mr Charlton, Head of Year 12

Duke of Edinburgh

Sixth Form Students took part in the Duke of Edinburgh Award last week showing brilliant strength, resilience and camaraderie. These students represent the best of making the most of opportunities and rising to the occasion. Very well done to all.

Sixth Form Football Fixture

A special shout out to the Year 12/13 Boys' Football Team for being at the top of the league for such a long time, but now last week falling short in the Quarter-Finals of the North Yorkshire Schools Cup. A tough trip away at QE ended in defeat sadly, but the boys should be incredibly proud of themselves, with particular credit going to Asa Dunn and Ben Hawksworth.

Year 13 A Level Mock Results

For those students who may be disappointed in their reports regarding meeting future Post-18 plans and meeting potential, we will be arranging parental meetings to discuss support plans in the lead up to stand-down.

REMINDER Year 13 Leavers' Key Dates

- Leavers' Celebration Service - Thursday 11 May, 6.30-7.30pm, in the Main Hall
- A Level Stand-down - Friday 12 May
- Prom - Friday 23 June, Hilton, York

Year 13 Support

Please continue to support us in encouraging students to attend P6 in the final weeks to stand-down.

Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday	
Lunch	P6	Lunch	P6	Lunch	P6	Lunch	P6	Lunch	P6
Health and Social Care L32 - Coursework Hga	Psychology Y13 SF Workroom De		Textiles TE4 Hv	Politics drop-in L32 Hga	Sport PE1 Gs	Health and Social Care L32 - Coursework Hga	Chemistry Yr 13 L25/L18 Os/Ha	Politics drop-in L32 Hga / Smf	Health and Social Care L32 Hga
Drama and Theatre Studies EN11 ABt	Health and Social Care L32 Hga	History Hi5 Kx	Maths/Further Maths Ma1 Bl/BKi/Dd	History (Tudors) Hi2 Bs		Physics Year 12 Sc8 Wb	Chemistry Yr 12 L25/Sc1 Os/NTh	Geography Geography office 1:1 tuition	Travel and Tourism Year 12 L34
Music L40 ZBl		Health and Social Care L32 - Coursework Hga	Art Ar1 Hf			Music L40 ZBl	Applied Psychology Yr 13 Kke		
	Business SF Library Cn		A-Level Psychology Y12 L17 Edn			Y13 English Language EN6 Hm/Ed NEA	Protective Services L34 Ewt and Kt		
	Biology Sc4 Da, Es, Lv, Wa		History Hi5 Kx				RE Yr13 RE6		
	History Coursework Support Hi2		Music L40 ZBl				Applied Law L32 Sl		
	Physics Year 13 Sc8 Wb		IT IT3 Sre/Ap				Politics L32 Hga / Smf		
			Computer Science IT3 SRe/Ap				Applied Psychology Y12 L17 Edn		
			Geography Gg3 PL/Ry				Sociology Yr 13 L9 - Jjy / Yg		

Sixth Form Rewards

Year 12	Year 13
Sebi Ackerley	Daisy Hardy

Careers Corner

Spotlight on supported internships*

A webinar for parents and carers of young people preparing for adult life, Thursday 18 May, 10.30am-12.00pm (via Teams)

Find out about supported internships and how they can benefit your child. The online event is particularly designed for parents, carers and representatives from Parent Carer Forums. During the webinar, we'll hear personal experiences from past supported interns and employers, and see how they benefited from the internship. We'll also hear from a government representative explaining how the government supports more young people with SEND into work.

To book a place please go to the booking form here and for further information here.

*Supported internships are study programmes for young people, aged 16-24, who have an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) and want to move into employment, but need some extra support. They provide work experience for young people with disabilities to gain skills and develop in confidence. In brief, supported internships give young people an opportunity to take their first steps into the world of employment, build skills in the workplace, gain qualifications, and use these to potentially get a paid job.

Year 10 Work Experience, 15-19 May

There are now just 2 full weeks before Year 10 students start their Work Experience. If your child is still to find a placement or upload their found placement to Grofar, may we please ask that you strongly encourage them to do so. Thank you.

PLEASE SHARE: If you would like to share students' achievements and vents in the community, please email jsissons@ahs.pmat.academy. It's always nice to celebrate our school community.

VACANCIES

Archbishop Holgate's School

Cleaning Assistant

(Temporary for 6 months)
Required as soon as possible
Part Time (25 hpw, Mon-Fri 3.00-8.00pm) Full Year
£10.50 per hour

Teacher of English

Required for September 2023
Mainscale to UPS
Closing date: Tuesday 5 May, 8.00am

Teacher of Art

(Temporary, 1 year, maternity cover)
Required for September 2023
Mainscale to UPS
Closing date: Tuesday 5 May, 8.00am

For more information visit:
www.archbishopholgates.academy/staff/vacancies

Pathfinder MAT is an equal opportunities employer, committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children.
Enhanced DBS check will be required.
As part of our due diligence process, an online search will be carried out on all shortlisted candidates.

OUR SCHOOLS ARE RECRUITING

Job	Cleaning Assistant	Job	Estates & Facilities Apprentice
School	Archbishop Holgate's School	School	Pathfinder Multi Academy Trust
Details	£10.50 per hour. Temporary for 6 months. Part time: 25 hours per week, Full Year Hours of work: Monday-Friday, 3.00-8.00pm	Details	Apprentice National Minimum Wage Level 3 Apprenticeship Training Course - Facilities Management Supervisor
Closes	N/A	Closes	N/A
Job	Cook (External Vacancy)	Job	Administrative Assistant
School	Rufforth Primary School	School	Hempland Primary School
Details	Hutchison Catering Term time only, £10.88 per hour 10.5 hours per week – Wednesday & Friday 08:30 to 13:45 Please contact – Susie Arnold 07500 958950 or email susie@hutchisoncatering.co.uk	Details	Grade 4 Level 1: £21,120 per annum (£8,812 pro rata) Part Time: 18 hours per week (Term time only)
Closes	N/A	Closes	Thursday 27 April at midnight

Physical Education Department

"Equipping students with the knowledge, skills and motivation to live active, healthy lives."

Newsletter

Extra -Curricular PE

Please see our new extra-curricular programme for this half term. Remember that our clubs are a relaxed environment with a focus on participation and enjoyment, students don't have to be selected in teams. Fixtures are also back on, so if students would like to be part of a team, they will need to attend training to be eligible for selection.

School PE Kit

If any student has borrowed school PE kit, please can it be returned to a member of the PE department. School PE kit is usually labelled "AHS". If you have any unwanted school PE kit, we would be extremely grateful for any donations.

Google Classroom

On Google Classroom students can access general PE information, their Programme of Study, the Extra-Curricular Programme, Community Links and a curriculum map outlining what students study each year.

Boxing Academy

We have a new Boxing Club for all year groups on Tuesdays after school in the Studio from 3.15-4.15pm each week until the end of the term. Students will need their AHS Indoor PE kit and a drink. The club is free of charge and is subsidised by the school.

The club is run by Paul Cashmore, a former AHS student and Met Police Officer, who now works on Channel 4s "The Hunted" as a Hunter. Paul set up a boxing academy in London alongside his TV work and has brought his academy to York.

The boxing club's aim is to inspire and promote health and fitness, increase confidence inclusive of all genders and abilities in a disciplined yet fun and safe environment. It is non-contact, if talent is identified they may be referred to a local boxing clubs.

Illness & Injury in PE Lessons

In PE we endeavour to provide every student with an enjoyable experience by which they progress and achieve their full potential. In doing so our school policy for illness and injury is stated below and in line with Ofsted guidance. This policy ensures that no student is missing out on vital information and is progressing through the lessons and scheme of work with their peers. They may not be able to take part fully, but they will still have a valued role within the lesson.

In the unlikely event that a student is unable to take part fully in PE lessons due to injury or illness then a signed parental note needs to be presented to their teacher at the start of the lesson. Please state the nature of their injury in your note so that the member of staff teaching your child can use their discretion as to how much the student can continue to be involved.

Despite being unable to take part fully, they may take on an officiating or coaching role or still be able to take part in moderate exercise. For example, if a student has hurt their hand and the planned lesson is football, the student can still take part at a moderate level. If the student is unwell, again the member of staff would use their discretion to decide how appropriate the lesson plan is for the student and decide on an appropriate role for the student.

On receiving the note, we expect that all students whatever the injury or illness still get changed for PE (If they are excused from swimming, they need to bring shorts and t-shirt). This is to ensure that they can, whatever the weather or activity, continue to participate in the role they are given. If a student arrives without sufficient kit they will receive an 'E' code as stated in the school policy. If they forget all their kit they will receive a detention and, in both instances, they will be expected to wear the school's spare kit.

This policy ensures that all students are involved in the learning process and that the student will be appropriately dressed for being outside in all weather, with their teacher (there is no alternative supervision for the students so they must remain with their allocated teacher at all times). Please be advised that girls will not be excused from PE (except for swimming lessons) suffering from period pains. Medical evidence suggests that exercise eases these symptoms.

Thank you for your continued support

MONDAY

LUNCHTIME (12.15-12.50pm)
- Y8 /10 Tennis (Tennis Courts)

AFTER SCHOOL (3.15-4.00pm)
- All years Girls' Cricket (Back Field)
- Y7 Tennis (Tennis Courts)
- Y8/9 Cricket (Back Field)

TUESDAY

LUNCHTIME (1.15-1.50pm)
- Y11 GCSE PE Badminton (Sports Hall)

AFTER SCHOOL (3.15-4.00pm)
- All years Rounders (Back Field)
- Y10 Fitness (Fitness Suite)
- Y7 Cricket (Back Field)
- Y13 BTEC Sport P6 (IT5)
- All years Boxing Academy (Studio)

WEDNESDAY

LUNCHTIME (12.15-12.50pm)
- Y8/10/SF Detentions (PE1)

AFTER SCHOOL (3.15-4.00pm)
- Y8/9/10 Tennis (Tennis Courts)
- Y11 GCSE PE Badminton (Sports Hall)

THURSDAY

LUNCHTIME (1.15-1.50pm)
- Y7/9/11 Detentions (PE1)

AFTER SCHOOL (3.15-4.00pm)
- Y8/9 Fitness (Fitness Suite)
- Y10 Cricket (Back Field)
- All years Athletics (Back Field)

FRIDAY

AFTER SCHOOL (3.15-4.00)
- All years Cricket (Sports Hall/Back Field)

AFTER SCHOOL (3.15-4.15)
- Y7 Rookie Lifeguard - invite only (Swimming Pool)

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