

October 2021

# Headteacher's Round Up

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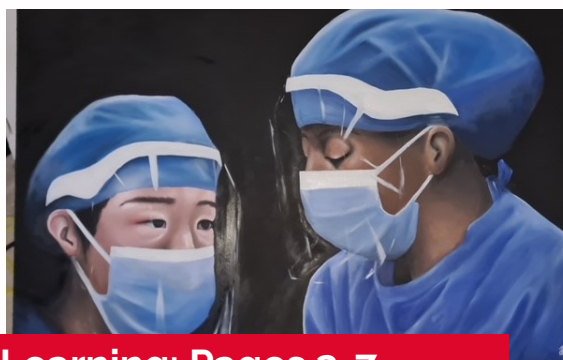
Autumn Newsletter for Hunsley Students and Parents



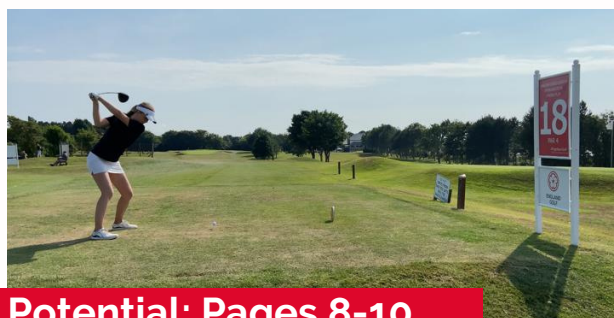
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# Introduction from our Headteacher

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Dear Parent and Carers,

I hope you and your family are well and continue to stay safe.

As we approach the end of the first half of the Autumn Term I am delighted to share with you a number of achievements and updates from across our school.

Firstly, can I take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support during what has been a very busy, and for those students and families who have had to isolate, a challenging term. The positive feedback and support you have given have made such a difference to our return and I am grateful to you all. In building on this further I would ask for your support with the following after the half term break:

## **Start to the Day**

Thank you for your support so far in ensuring your child arrives at school in time for the start of period 1 at 8.40am. It has been great to see so many more students coming through our gates by 8.30am with many walking or cycling to school. As the winter weather approaches please do continue to drop your child off by 8.30am each day so they are on our school grounds ready for a prompt start to the day at 8.40am. For those of you with children who cycle to school, please check they have fully functioning lights along with their helmet. I would also recommend that they wear some form of high viz or reflective jacket or tabard to ensure that they are fully visible and safe when cycling to and from school.

## **Uniform**

I continue to be pleased with the overall standard of uniform shown by our students this term. I have today reminded students about a couple of aspects of our policy and the expectations we have with regards to these.

Firstly, school sweatshirts or blazers displaying the school logo are a required item and we expect all students to wear one of these each day.

Secondly, trainer socks have never been part of our school uniform. Ankle socks are required as part of the uniform and we do expect students to wear trousers that are below their ankle. I have also reminded students that we will sanction those who chose not to follow our uniform expectations and I am grateful for your continued support with this. Please see a further link to our uniform expectations below which I hope is helpful: <https://southhunsley.org.uk/files/uploads/2021/03/student-uniform-policy-v2.3-FINAL8475.pdf>

Can I finally wish you and your family an enjoyable and safe break and I look forward to welcoming you and your children back to school after half term.



# Former student creates a masterpiece in recognition of the NHS

To recognise the exceptional work and dedication by NHS workers during the pandemic, former student Jack C has created a piece of artwork to symbolise and commemorate their work and the challenging period of the past year.

Having always had an interest in art from a young age, Jack continued to pursue his creative passion whilst attending our school and sixth form. During this time, he expanded his artistic skills as well as the types of medium he was using which has led to him now specialising in the use of oil in his paintings.

For this recent project, Jack challenged himself to expand the scale of the painting, taking him a total of nine weeks to complete. Jack was inspired by the characteristics shown by our NHS workers of perseverance, resilience and solidarity, allowing him to understand the significance that these elements bring to the characters in the painting.

Jack told us, "My teachers gave me feedback throughout the process, challenging me to sharpen the details of my painting and provided me with all the resources necessary to complete the piece."

Mr Williman congratulated Jack on his achievement, "Jack has demonstrated exceptional levels of commitment and dedications towards his work. His piece shows a true reflection of the NHS workers and we are delighted to display this in our Sixth Form Learning Resource Centre."

Well done Jack, keep up the fantastic work and good luck with your studies at York University.



# Year 13 students participate in a Geography Symposium



Congratulations to Year 13 students, Will T, Holly A, Grace M, Beth D and Jennifer C who recently participated in the international symposium on 'Estuaries and Coastal Seas in the Anthropocene' online with students from Germany and Japan.

Each member of the group produced individual speeches for the event which involved a large amount of research and hard work. Geography teacher Miss Conway said "The students were a real credit to themselves and the school and they should be very proud of themselves.

Well done to all students involved, you have demonstrated excellent teamwork, commitment and dedication to your subject. Congratulations, keep up the great work.



# Year 13 student participates in virtual work experience

We are delighted to share the success of Year 13 student, Sameed S, who gained a place on two work experience programmes.

During the past year, Sameed has taken time to explore potential work experience in the areas of engineering and computer science. Despite the challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic he successfully gained a place on two virtual programmes, one with Siemens and the other with Drax.

These placements gave Sameed the opportunity to develop a range of skills and knowledge within the fields of computer science and engineering. These are areas that Sameed is interested in exploring as a future career as he builds on his A level studies in Computer Science, Maths, Further Maths and Physics.



During the Siemens programme, Sameed worked with other participants to design and produce a hairdryer presenting his ideas to colleagues at Siemens. Whilst at Drax, Sameed took part in a range of virtual tasks focussing on data collection and processing. Reflecting on these experiences Sameed explained how much he enjoyed them whilst developing a wider range of skills including problem solving, communication and teamwork.

Mr Williman congratulated Sameed on his achievement "We are proud of Sameed's hard work and determination in gaining a place on these work experience placements. He has shown true dedication and commitment towards this work as well as to his studies and we wish him well with his future aspirations."

Congratulations Sameed, keep up the great work.

# Year 10 and Year 8 students work towards gaining their pilots licence

We are delighted to share the news that Year 10 and Year 8 students, Finnley S and Oscar M, are both involved in flying lessons and working towards obtaining their pilots license. Both students have always had an interest in flying and have begun taking lessons in order to achieve their goal of gaining a pilot's licence.

Year 10 student, Finnley S, has always had a passion for flying and particularly holds an interest in aviation photography. Continuing his love for aircraft, Finnley decided he wanted to challenge himself and began flying lessons at a local flying club, where he recently took part in his first solo take-off and landing. In supporting his career aspiration as a pilot, Finnley recently joined the RAF as a cadet. This will give him further experiences, skills and knowledge that will prepare him well for a future career in the RAF or aviation industry.

Year 8 student, Oscar M, is also working towards the same goal and has recently started flying lessons at Lincoln Ground Airfield. Oscar also has a strong interest in aircraft and flying, and recently flew at 2000 feet during one of his first flying lessons. Oscar is also joining the RAF cadets in November to gain further aviation experience and opportunities.

Mr Williman said, "We are proud of both student's commitment and determination to achieve their pilots licence at such a young age. Their recent successes are to be commended and we look forward to supporting both students with their flying ambitions in the future."

Congratulations Finnley and Oscar, we wish you both the best of luck and look forward to hearing about your future flying successes.



# Careers Provision 2021 - 2022

Our careers guidance and support for students begins from their very earliest days at South Hunsley.

A full guide to our careers (CEIAG) programme is available on the Careers pages of our school website: <https://southhunsley.org.uk/parent-information/careers-guidance-parents/>

However, we did want to share a brief overview of our provision for students in Years 7 – 11:

Year	Provision
Year 7	Careers guidance in Community and Personal Studies lessons in Spring Term. Start Profile ( <a href="https://careers.startprofile.com/">https://careers.startprofile.com/</a> ) launch in Personal Development week.
Year 8	Careers guidance in Community and Personal Studies lessons in Spring Term. Start Profile ( <a href="https://careers.startprofile.com/">https://careers.startprofile.com/</a> ) launch in Personal Development week.
Year 9	Careers guidance in Tutor Time during Autumn term to support Options Process. Careers embedded in Community and Personal Studies lessons – using Start Profile and focus on the local labour market. Key Stage 4 Curriculum Launch, Options and Careers Event in January.
Year 10	Careers guidance in Tutor Time during Spring and Summer terms. Year 10 students are enrolled on our SHS – Year 10 Careers MS Teams page, sharing podcasts, virtual work experiences and other careers information from employers and external organisations. Proposed virtual work experience through Teams.
Year 11	Year 11 progression interview with a member of the leadership team in Autumn Term, with follow-up support including one to one careers appointments where needed. Careers guidance in Tutor Time during Spring and Summer terms. Year 11 students are enrolled on our SHS – Year 10 Careers MS Teams page, sharing podcasts, virtual work experiences and other careers information from employers and external organisations. Careers Events in January.



# Year 8 student is awarded bronze and 10th place at the Yorkshire Gymnastics Challenge Cup

Congratulations to Millie H who gained a bronze medal in her gymnastic floor routine and successfully secured 10th place at the Yorkshire Gymnastics Challenge Cup.

Millie has been a gymnast since the age of five having always had a passion for the sport. She currently trains 16 hours a week at her local gym club, dedicating her time after school and weekends to build her strength and technique.

Due to the pandemic, all gym clubs were closed and Millie had to find alternative ways to maintain her strength and flexibility without the use of gymnastic equipment. Millie explained it was extremely challenging maintaining this at home and this affected her confidence when performing in competitions.

As restrictions lifted, Millie returned to face-to-face training and was selected to compete in the Yorkshire Gymnastics Challenge Cup. Due to Millie's hard work, resilience and drive, she obtained a bronze medal in her gymnastics floor routine with an overall 10th place in the competition. Mr Williman congratulated Millie on her success, "Millie has shown great determination and perseverance during what has been an extremely challenging year. She is to be commended for having done so and for gaining this award."

We are proud of Millie's hard work and achievements so far. Her success in maintaining her skills is down to the hard work and dedication she has shown. Well done Millie, we wish you the best of luck in your future competitions.





# Year 10 student successfully secures a place in England Golf Coaching Squad

We are delighted to announce that Year 10 student, Grace L, has recently been selected for the England U16 and U18 Regional Golf Coaching Squad.

Grace has been playing golf since the age of nine and is currently a member of Hessle Golf Club and Ganton Golf Club, playing off a handicap of 5.5. Grace has always had a passion for golf and over the past three years has been playing for the Yorkshire Coaching Squad.

In recent weeks, Grace attended the England U16 and U18 regional coaching assessment day. Following an intensive selection process, Grace successfully secured a place in the squad, allowing her to participate in a variety of individual and team coaching days.

Mr Williman congratulated Grace, "We are very proud of Grace's fantastic sporting achievement. She has demonstrated true dedication, hard work and commitment and we look forward to supporting her future aspirations"

Congratulations Grace on your recent selection. We wish you the best of luck and look forward to hearing about your future successes with the squad.



# Year 10 student is selected to attend the England Swimming National Development Programme

We are delighted to share the sporting success of Year 10 student, Joshua M, who has been selected to attend Phase 1 of the Swim England National Development Programme for 2021-2022.

Joshua has been swimming since the age of 3 and has continued his commitment to the sport throughout his time at South Hunsley School.

Joshua currently trains 8-9 times per week at Kingston Upon Hull Swimming Club and regularly competes in competitions and galas.

After recently swimming in the Kingston Regional Qualifiers, Joshua swam at the Yorkshire swimming Championships in Leeds and gained a silver medal and a bronze medal, receiving 8 top 10 places. Joshua is now currently working towards the North East Swimming competition which will take place at the end of October.

Mr Williman congratulated Joshua "We are very proud of Joshua's fantastic sporting achievement. He has shown great dedication and commitment towards his sport and the training needed to be successful. We look forward to supporting him and his swimming aspirations in the future."

Congratulations Joshua, we wish you the best of luck and look forward to hearing about your future sporting successes.



# Message from our Chair of Governors, Mr Justin Fielder

A vacancy has arisen for a parent governor to join our Local Governing Body. Governors have a number of duties and responsibilities relating to the governance of the academy, including contribution to the Trust ethos of the school, acting as a critical friend to the Headteacher and senior leadership team for all aspects of the academy's performance and supporting the Headteacher in the development of the academy. Governors generally meet four times per year, with additional opportunities to support the school through pre-arranged governor visits, governor panels and ad hoc task groups.

If you would like to contribute to the development of students at South Hunsley School and Sixth Form or wish to find out more information about the role of parent governor, please email your expression of interest to:

**[governance@theeducationalliance.org.uk](mailto:governance@theeducationalliance.org.uk)**  
no later than 5 November 2021.



# Year 13 student is appointed as Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant Cadet for the East Riding of Yorkshire

We are delighted to share the good news that Year 13 student, Phoebe B, has been appointed as Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant Cadet for the East Riding of Yorkshire.

Phoebe joined the cadets when she was 12 years old and since then has developed a passion for aviation and aircraft. Whilst studying A levels in Maths, Geography and Economics in our sixth form, Phoebe has experienced a wide variety of opportunities that have shaped her future career path with the RAF and herself as an individual. This includes; camp trips to active air bases across the country, meeting fellow cadets from different bases and completing the Duke of Edinburgh Award in bronze, silver, and gold. Phoebe's achievements and experiences have led her to her dream future career, as she hopes to join the RAF as an Air Traffic Controller and become a leader within the organisation to future cadets.

In recognition of Phoebe's ambition and dedication to the organisation, Phoebe was appointed as Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant Cadet by the RFCA for Yorkshire and the Humber. This appointment is one of the highest honours a cadet can receive.

Mr Williman congratulated Phoebe on her achievement "We are proud of Phoebe's highly prized achievement within the cadets. She has demonstrated high levels of commitment and we look forward to continue supporting her as Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant Cadet for the region".

Well done Phoebe on your appointment; we wish you the best of luck as you begin your duties as an ambassador for East Riding of Yorkshire.



# Year 8 student is selected to attend the 2023 World Scout Jamboree

We are pleased to share the news that Year 8 student, Ruby J, has been selected to represent the Humberside region in the 2023 World Scout Jamboree in South Korea.

Ruby has been a member of the Scouts for nearly 3 years during which time she has participated in a wide range of activities from pioneering to first aid. These opportunities have allowed her to further develop her ability to communicate and lead others as well as co-ordinate and organise events and activities.

Out of 40 members in her local troop, Ruby and another scout were selected to attend the 2023 World Jamboree. Here they will join over a thousand scout members from across the world, providing a great opportunity to meet with other young people involved in the scouting movement. In order to attend the trip, Ruby must organise various fundraising events such as bag packing and community work. As Ruby is a patrol leader, she is already working with her troop to plan and organise various fundraising events.

Mr Williman congratulated Ruby on her achievement "Ruby has shown great commitment and dedication towards the Scouts alongside her studies and we are very proud for her invitation to attend the World Scout Jamboree. This opportunity is thoroughly well-deserved and we wish her the best of luck with her fundraising over the coming year."

Congratulations Ruby on your achievement, keep up the great work and good luck with your future fundraising activities.



# South Hunsley facilitates for CRY

## Heart Screenings

As part of our ongoing community work and with the lifting of restrictions we were delighted to once again host a weekend of heart screening by the charity CRY (Cardiac Risk in the Young).

South Hunsley have always had a strong link with the Jamie Loncaster Memorial Fund and work closely with founders Jenny and Graham Loncaster who work extremely hard in raising awareness of Cardiac Risk in the Young.

One of their main missions is to organise and provide heart screening's through the charity CRY (Cardiac Risk in the Young) in order to help identify and diagnose any cardiac abnormalities in young people aged 14-35. This weekend South Hunsley facilitated the screening of 160 young people with a number being referred for further investigation.

We are thrilled to have seen so many people attend the CRY heart screening sessions and would like to say a special thank you to Graham and Jenny Loncaster who have worked tirelessly in supporting this fantastic service and providing many young people with the opportunity to be checked for heart abnormalities.

The CRY Team will be returning during Easter 2022 to conduct more heart screenings and will be in contact with further information nearer the time.

