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# THE HUNSLEY WAY

Welcome to the latest edition of The Hunsley Way



## THE ADDAMS FAMILY

Thursday 5 - Friday 6 March

The curtain rose on a delightfully dark and dazzling spectacle as we proudly presented The Addams Family Musical — and what a wonderfully weird triumph it was!

For the very first time, our production took to the stage at Middleton Hall at Hull University, giving our students the exciting opportunity to perform in a professional and prestigious venue. Playing to over a thousand audience members, including a packed-out audience of feeder primary students who proved to be enthusiastic and fantastic spectators, our cast rose to the occasion brilliantly. Their laughter, reactions, and energy added an extra spark to every performance, making the experience even more special for everyone involved. *See full story on page 12.*

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## MESSAGE FROM HEADTEACHER

Last half term was packed full of achievements, events and opportunities, alongside our usual focus on high quality teaching and strong pastoral care. Seeing pupils thrive will always be the highlight in any half term for me – it is the reason I joined the profession. However, I have also enjoyed meeting parents/carers at a number of events including the headteacher's surgery, the SEND parents working group, Steps to Success for Year 11 and the brilliant production of *'The Addams Family'* at Middleton Hall. Thank you to everyone who has shared feedback, supported events and continued to work in partnership with us to help your child/ren flourish.



Congratulations and good luck to the under 16s girls' football team who have made it to the national final for the third time!

Well done also to our Active Travel Ambassadors who secured funding again (£450) to improve active travel at school. I am looking forward to seeing their plans in action.

More recently, a number of students presented to the governing body about their roles as Head Students, Year Captains and East Riding's first Young Mayor. They spoke confidently and passionately about their achievements, aims and motivations and how proud they are to serve the community, and contribute to events across TEAL and the East Riding.

Staff have once again gone above and beyond to support pupils and offered a vast range of opportunities including visits, fixtures, performances, revision sessions, mentoring and clubs. We are fortunate to have such a committed team and I am pleased to share that we have been able to further strengthen the team with strong appointments in English, Maths, Science, Creative Arts and student support. There may be shortages nationally in teacher recruitment, but we are fortunate that we continue to receive a high number of applications when posts are advertised.

Sadly, some of you may also be aware that our school community has once again been coming to terms with the loss of a much-loved colleague this half term. Jayne Kirk worked at South Hunsley for over 20 years in a number of associate roles. Having only retired in October to spend time with family, including her first grandchild. Our school community has been deeply shocked and saddened by

news of her passing. Our thoughts are with all of Jayne's family and friends at this difficult time.



Lastly, I would like to thank the following staff who left us at Easter or just after. Good luck to: Chris Jenkinson (Science), Lizzie Hepburn (Creative Arts), Araminta Robinson (English) and Lauren Brookes (Reception). We wish you well as some of you relocate and/or change professions.

**I hope you had a Happy Easter and enjoy reading this latest edition of our newsletter.**

M Blackledge, Headteacher



Dear South Hunsley Families,

Thank you to everyone that donated to the Christmas reverse advent calendar. We have never received such a phenomenal donation, it filled our stock room and kept us going for months after Christmas. We would like to send a huge thank you from all our volunteers and service users at Hessle and Anlaby Food Bank. Your support meant we could make Christmas, and the months after, a little easier for families who are struggling.

**Thank you!**



## EAST RIDING FOOD POVERTY ALLIANCE

You may remember back in December 2026 we sent donations to the East Riding Food Poverty Alliance and the Anlaby and Hessle branch have been in touch and said that they have never seen such a big donation!

Thank you again to every who participated in our Reverse Advent Calendar.

## PERU FUNDRAISING

### Friday 21 March

Three Year 10 girls are organising a fundraising event of climbing The Three Peaks on Saturday 23 May to raise funds for their upcoming visit to Peru in July 2027, with Operation Wallace.



There are 17 pupils over 3 year groups taking part in this expedition. They will be working on research ships on the Yarapa River Várzea forests; Várzea forests are seasonally flooded forests. They have rich biodiversities with lots of water-dependent mammals, birds and aquatic animals and plants, but these

forests are highly sensitive to climate change. The flooding reduces the amount of dry land by 2% leading to various population levels of species to be affected. After the work Operation Wallacea have done, it is thought there has already been an increase in sightings of giant river otters, pink river dolphins, wading birds and primates around the river.

During their stay in the Amazon they will complete an Amazonian wildlife and conservation course. This will comprise of various different lectures from a range of different people and related activities and discussions, looking at Amazon geography and biodiversity. Furthermore, they will be taught basic Spanish and learn more about the local Cooma community.



Fundraising towards the cost of the trip is also a key aspect and is teaching them the importance of time and money management, as well as coming up with creative ways to raise funds. The whole experience will develop their growth and aid in their future study and careers, not forgetting an opportunity that is once in a lifetime!

**They need to raise £3000, so if you are able please donate - Click [here](#) for their GoFundMe page, and we will follow their progress on their Three Peaks Challenge on Saturday 23 May. Well done Evelyn M, Imogen A and Amy P.**



## YOUTH PARLIAMENT

**Thursday 5 March**

East Riding elections have taken place to elect young people to the UK Youth Parliament and to appoint East Riding's first Young Mayor. 5,423 young people voted on who they would like to represent them as members of the UK Youth Parliament, and Youth Council members voted for the Young Mayor.

Noureen K-A, Year 7, was voted Young Mayor and she will help ensure young people are heard and meaningfully involved in civic and public life.

She is the youngest Young Mayor they've ever had and the first for the East Riding.

Noureen is also one of our Year 7 Captains. Noureen will help ensure young people's voices are heard in public life and will attend civic events alongside the chairman, including Armed Forces Day, Yorkshire Day, the Civic Christmas pantomime, and

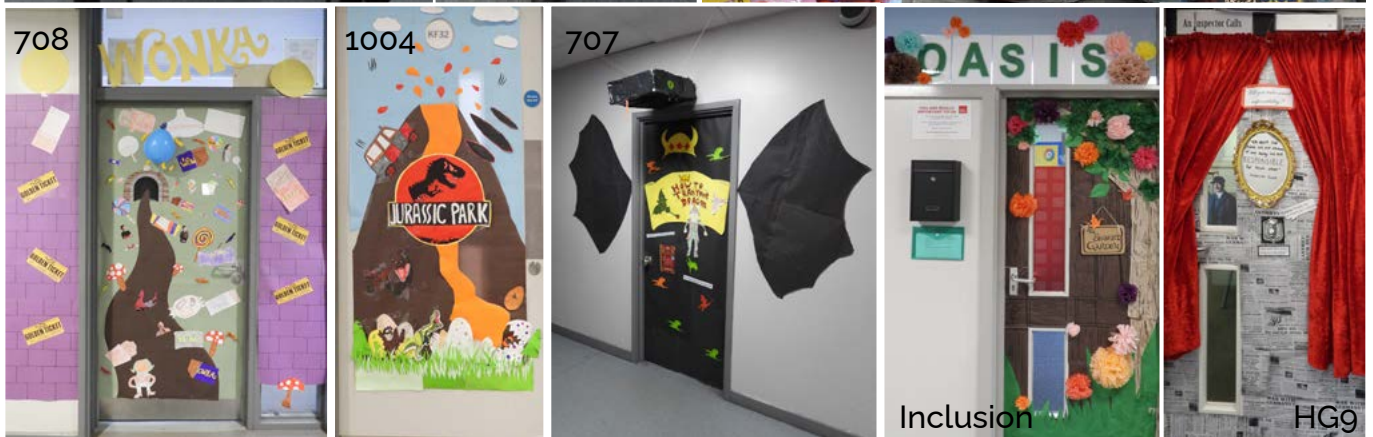
the Chairman's Awards.

The Youth Parliament elections take place every two years, and are organised by Community VISION, with support from East Riding of Yorkshire Council. Click [here](#) to read more.

## NEURODIVERSITY WEEK

**Monday 16 - Friday 20 March**

Mrs Reilly has delivered assemblies to recognise Neurodiversity Celebration Week, educating pupils on neurodiversity, helping pupils celebrate different minds and changing the narrative surrounding neurodiversity to one that offers recognition and positivity, promoting neuroinclusion.



## WORLD BOOK DAY

Thursday 5 March

World Book Day occurs during our school book fair, and as well as being able to spend their vouchers during the book fair, we also gave away books in The Space at lunchtime. Each pupil that received a book was asked to write the name of their favourite book and fictional character on the whiteboard. It was interesting to see what literature our pupils are interested in and I'm sure our librarians will be paying particular interest!

In the run up to World Book Day, the library ran a competition for pupils to design their own book covers. With over 56 entries, the judging was difficult! Congratulations to Year 11 pupils Lexia O and Alfred T, Year 9's Ellie W, and Year 7 pupils Aaraiz M and Fearn C, who received £5 vouchers to spend at the

book fair.

Also, we ran another competition around the school to decorate doors. There were prizes for pupils and also staff members. Over 70 doors were decorated. It was amazing to see such creativity around the school, and it really brightened up

the school corridors. The winners for the forms were 708, 707 and 1004, who received some sweets, and the winners for the staff doors were the Inclusion Team with their The Secret Garden door and HG9 (Mrs Morton) with The Inspector Calls door complete with a working door bell!



## SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

**Wednesday 25 February – Monday 9 March**

What a booktastic Scholastic Book Fair it was! All the Year 7 students got the chance to have a book fair lesson, which involved going along to the library and browsing the wide variety of books available, as well as having the opportunity to use their vouchers to get money off books at the fair.

There is always a good selection of books available from the Hunger Games to Caravel, to Heartstopper, to the Hobbit, to Diary of a Wimpy Kid and everything in between! As well as lots of journals available too from Dragon Journals to Bubble Tea journals, that make perfect diaries or notebooks.

Over the course of the Scholastic Book Fair over 540 students came along to the book fair. We sold over 70 books and made for the school £194 that will be able to buy around 24 brand new books for the school library.

Also during the Scholastic Book Fair, we celebrated World Book Day on the Thursday 5 March and the Library gave out 200 copies of World Book Day Books for Free as a gift from the school to the students.



## ECOHUNSLEY BAKE SALE

**Friday 6 March**

The Eco-Committee organised a bake sale to help raise money for a new bike shed room. We received several donations and managed to raise £81 which is an amazing amount and thank you for your contributions.

## EID MUBARAK

**Friday 20 March**

Eid-Al-Fitr is on the first day after a new crescent moon is seen and also means the end to fasting. The lessons learned about self control, empathy and charity carry on throughout the year whilst we cherish this beautiful celebration of sharing and caring.

To celebrate the end of fasting we had an Eid menu of Chicken Biryani on Wednesday 25 March. We held a bake sale on Thursday 26 March with the proceeds going towards our Year charities.



## EASTER FAIR

Thursday 26 March

On the last day of term we held an Easter Fair which was welcomed greatly by the pupils to have some fun before their Easter break.

With games like Guess the Teacher and Sweet Pong, there was something for everyone. The food stalls did really well with some beautiful bakes. Thank you to everyone for their donations.

**This year we managed to raise a whopping £500 towards our Year Charities. Well done to everyone involved.**



## TEAL TEACHING AND LEARNING CONFERENCE

Friday 27 March

South Hunsley hosted The Education Alliance's fourth Annual Teaching & Learning Conference, which included over 700 staff coming together to develop their practice,

We were excited to welcome Zahara Chowdhury, author of *'Creating Belonging in the Classroom'*, to the event. Zahara spoke with all staff at the start of the day, exploring how important staff are to building a sense of belonging for our pupils. She also lead a session for secondary staff where they started to develop ways of building belonging in their specific roles. Zahara is a prominent education consultant, author, and Equality, Diversity, and Inclusion (EDI) specialist with over a decade of experience across secondary and higher education. She currently serves as the EDI Business Partner at Buckinghamshire New University, where she leads the institution's Equality Strategy and chairs the GuildHE EDI Committee.

Overall, it was jam-packed day, with our TEAL Expo sessions on Talk4Writing for primary teachers and sessions on building belonging, questioning and subject-specific development for the other staff attending. It was a great chance for everyone within the Trust to collaborate and build stronger relationships.

**Thank you to all the staff involved with hosting such a large event and it's continued success.**



## SIXTH FORM SKI RESIDENTIAL ITALY

**Sunday 16 February – Saturday 22 February**

Over the February half-term, a group of our students had the exciting opportunity to go to the beautiful alpine resort of Gressoney-la-Trinité for this year's Sixth Form ski trip. Nestled in the Italian Alps, the resort provided a stunning backdrop for a week filled with challenge, progress, and unforgettable experiences.

From the moment we arrived, students demonstrated a fantastic attitude. Whether they were complete beginners or more experienced skiers, every student approached the slopes with determination, resilience, and a willingness to improve. It was particularly impressive to see how quickly many of our beginners grew in confidence, progressing from tentative first runs to tackling more demanding slopes by the end of the week.

Beyond their achievements on the slopes, what stood out most was the way our students conducted themselves throughout the

trip. They were consistently polite, respectful, and supportive of one another, embodying the values we are so proud to promote as a school. Staff at the resort frequently commented on their excellent behaviour, noting how courteous and well-mannered our group was both on and off the slopes.

Students showed great maturity in managing the demands of the trip, from early mornings to full days of skiing, followed by evening activities. They supported each other, celebrated one another's successes, and demonstrated real perseverance when faced with challenges. Their

positive attitude and team spirit were a pleasure to witness.

The trip was not only an opportunity to develop skiing skills, but also to build independence, confidence, and friendships. Many students stepped outside of their comfort zones and returned with a real sense of achievement.

We would like to commend every student who attended. They were a true credit to themselves, their families, and the school, and represented us with pride at all times.

**We look forward to many more successful trips in the future.**



## VISIT FROM DAVID DAVIES

Friday 20 March

Our Year 12 and Year 13 politics students at South Hunsley had the opportunity to spend an hour with David Davis MP.

During the session, he discussed and debated with students a range of current political issues, sharing his own insights and experiences from a long and varied career. Students were really engaged, asking interesting questions and debating the issues of the day.

It was an informative and thought provoking experience that gave students a real insight into the world of UK politics.

He also held an assembly to our Sixth Formers to which he talked about civic responsibility, the role of a politician and the importance of voting.



## TOM DENNETT AND JACK STABLER MEMORIAL FOOTBALL MATCH

Thursday 28 March

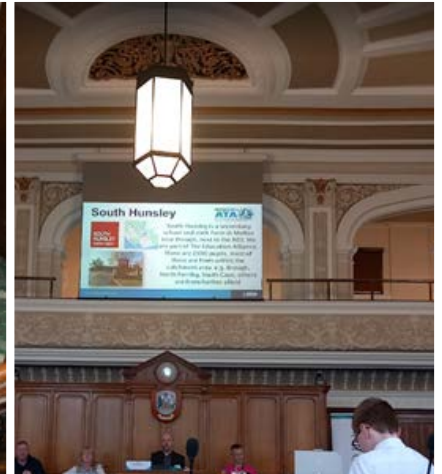
Students and staff recently came together for another memorable evening at the annual Thomas Dennett and Jack Stabler Memorial Match, an event that continues to hold great significance for both schools involved.

In a closely fought and competitive game, the match ended in a 3-2 defeat, but the result was secondary to the spirit of togetherness shown throughout the evening. The fixture once again provided an opportunity for the school communities to reunite and remember Tom and Jack in a meaningful and respectful way.

It was heart-warming to see students, staff, friends and families from both schools sharing the occasion and honouring the memories of Tom and Jack through football.

We would like to thank Driffild for their fantastic hospitality and congratulate them on their well-deserved victory.





## CAMPAIGN JUNCTION AT BEVERLEY COUNTY HALL

Thursday 12 March

EcoHunsley went to Beverley County Hall to represent South Hunsley at Modeshift's Campaign Junction along with 6 other schools. This is where we shared their ideas for how we are going to improve active travel at school. There were three judges from different areas of active travel, who gave great feedback and gave a few hints and tips for other things EcoHunsley could do. The judges were led by Dave, a history comedian. He was hilarious throughout the whole day and made them much calmer. He is the one dressed as a judge holding a banana.

At the start of the year, EcoHunsley sent out a survey to find out pupils' choice of travel. We saw that the use of cars has actually increased by almost 4% and almost 39% of pupils would prefer to travel this way. This is definitely not what we want, so we need to decrease that. A positive from the survey was that cycling has increased by almost 2% and would actually be preferred by 5% more than currently cycle. From this we decided to focus on increasing cycling and decreasing cars this year, and so this is what we shared.

During the presentation we talked about our cycle to school week raffle, the bake sale raising money for a new bike shed roof and our articles in newsletters

about improving active travel. We even took them some cupcakes similar to the ones we had in our bake sale, and they loved that.

We had been pitching to receive £200 and a £50 bonus for the winner of the day.

Unfortunately, we didn't get the extra £50, but it was announced that we would be getting an extra £250 instead. So that is £450 to spend on increasing active travel. From this we are going to run another cycle to school raffle, we will be running Active Travel Summer again, which is where students submit pictures of them sustainably travelling to school.

**Keep an eye out for this, and some will go towards the funding for the bike shed roof.**

Some thoughts from the pupils at Campaign Junction:

*"It was nerve wracking at first but fantastic at the end" – Fatima Y*

*"The day was fun and educational and really helpful to the schools" – Noureen K-A*

*"Campaign Junctions was fun, interesting and nerve racking. I was very happy to go and represent our school" – Elliot G*

*"I was shocked that we are getting £450 from the ATA meeting!" – Daniel W*

*"I had a lovely time and learnt lots of new skills" – Harriet S*

*"I really enjoyed the biscuits and getting to answer questions" – Lauren F*

*"I really liked it and at least we won some money for our campaign" – Prim T*

*"It was fun" – Thomas L-W*

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## UPDATE

We have had a busy term in careers supporting Year 11/10 and Sixth form students with 1:1 support. We have offered a bespoke CV and apprenticeship event for Year 11. We were delighted to invite HBTC apprenticeships over lunch for a drop session to learn more about apprenticeships on offer in our local area. For those who have missed this, you can find out more about what they offer [here](#).

We also took a group of Year 10 and 11 who have an interest in creative writing and the gaming industry to the University of Hull for a two day event, where they met with industry experts and university lecturers on how to develop their creative writing skills and adapt them to different types of storytelling in the gaming world. This was enjoyed by all and has raised aspirations by inspiring our pupils in a growing industry.

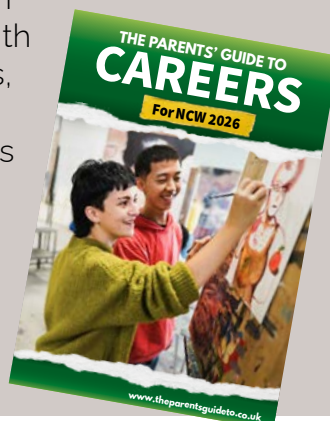
The careers team were busy at the GCSE success evening in March, where we are able to support our pupils and their families with key information about post 16 choices. May we remind all Year 11 students about the support that is offered on Unifrog for CV, interview tips and subject guides.

**Should need further support please ask the careers team for support.**

## NATIONAL CAREERS WEEK

**Monday 2 - Friday 7 March**

During this week, there were assemblies all week and a talk from Caroline from Bishop Burton. NCW offer a free guide to parents that covers the main routes after GCSE and Sixth Form, with a particular focus on apprenticeships, alongside guidance on work experience and why developing skills and character matters for young people. It's designed to help parents make sense of the different options available and support confident, informed conversations at home. Click [here](#) to download the guide





## THE ADDAMS FAMILY PRODUCTION

Thursday 5 - Friday 6 March

*...continued from front cover.*

With over 80 pupils involved from Years 7 through 10, this was truly a whole-school effort, packed with talent, teamwork, and just the right amount of delightful darkness.

The cast brought the beloved Addams family to life with energy, confidence, and impeccable comedic timing. Gomez was charmingly dramatic, Morticia as elegantly eerie as ever, and Wednesday delivered deadpan lines that had the audience laughing.

The ensemble cast, ancestors, and dancers filled the stage with movement and character, proving that when it comes to talent, "the family that slays



together, stays together." Whether it was the haunting harmonies or the perfectly timed jokes, every moment showed just how much dedication and rehearsal had gone into the production.

Behind the scenes, students worked tirelessly on lighting, sound, and set design. Their creativity transformed Middleton Hall into a spooky yet spectacular setting worthy of the Addams name.

The audience response was overwhelmingly positive, with laughter, applause, and even a few gasps. What has made this production truly special, was not just the polished performances, but the spirit behind it. Pupils from different year groups came together, supported one another, and created something unforgettable to make memories that will last longer than the final curtain call.

We could not be prouder of every single student

involved. Their commitment, enthusiasm, and courage to step onto such a big stage made this production a resounding success.



Bravo to our incredible cast and crew for a performance that was equal parts spooky, kooky, and spectacular. Thanks also go to all the staff involved in creating such a professional production, your dedication is much appreciated.

**We can't wait to see what you do next—though you've certainly set the bar (and possibly raised the dead) with this one!**



## YEAR 11 SKI RESIDENTIAL - STUBAI GLACIER, AUSTRIA

Friday 13 February – Saturday 21 February

Our recent Year 11 ski trip to Austria was truly unforgettable. The conditions were exceptional, with incredible snow and near-constant snowfall throughout the week, creating perfect skiing conditions for everyone. We visited two different resorts, once called Zauchensee and the other called Altenmarkt. It was great to visit two different places. Both were fantastic. The hotel was truly remarkable with an indoor football pitch, games room, gym, swimming pool, TV lounge etc. Students were never bored!

The students were fantastic, showing great enthusiasm, resilience, and teamwork. Their progress was remarkable—by the end of the second day, everyone was confidently skiing on the mountain. We were impressed by the number of fast and advanced skiers who really pushed themselves to improve.

Off the slopes, the fun continued with a brilliant range of après-ski activities, including the ever-popular Lucky Flitzer, a lively big quiz, and a much-enjoyed

pizza night. These moments helped create a wonderful atmosphere and brought everyone closer together.

Most importantly, the trip was filled with unforgettable

experiences and lasting memories for all involved. A huge well done to all students for making it such a successful and enjoyable trip.



**“Once you learn to read, you will be forever free.”**  
- FREDERICK DOUGLASS

Our reading culture is an important element of our offer as a school, and we are keen to support you when it comes to your child reading at home.

As the summer term begins, we hope this section of the newsletter will provide you and your child with a selection of books to choose from to help inspire their reading.

If your child is preparing for exams, they will no doubt be spending time revising and preparing for these. Part of this revision will involve reading – but immersing ourselves in the world of a book is also a way to reduce stress and improve mental wellbeing so reading for pleasure may still be beneficial to fit in around their studies.

## THIS HALF TERM'S RECOMMENDED READING

### DYSLEXIA FRIENDLY



**Game Over**  
by Serena Patel

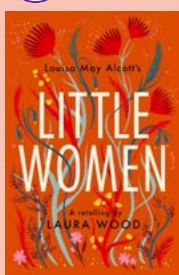


Can you be true to yourself without losing your friends along the way? Jay is excited about a game-design project being worked on by the Computing Club at school. He wants to join in, but there's a big problem. Jay's friends think

Computing is only for nerds and they want him to join a new football team with them. Both activities happen at the same time, so Jay has to choose. Can he find the courage to tell his friends how he really feels, and if he does, will it mean their friendship is over...?



**Little Women a retelling of Louise May Alcott's novel**



by Laura Wood

Little Women, the charming story of the brave and resilient March sisters, has been adored by generations of readers who have identified with the struggles of kind and pretty Meg; gentle, delicate Beth;

precocious, artistic Amy; and of course wild, tomboyish Jo, determined to forge her own path and become a writer. Follow the girls as they come of age during the American Civil War and fall in love with the story all over again in this retelling by award-winning writer Laura Wood.

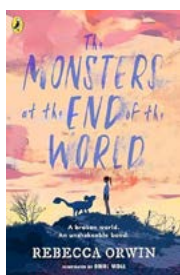


**New You Forever**  
by Steve Cole



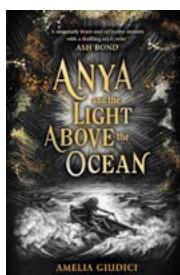
The year is 2070, and the New You Foundation claim to have found the ultimate answer to the climate crisis. They want human beings to transform themselves into Pleekas – perfect artificial replicas.

Pleekas can go on for ever but won't create waste or use the Earth's resources. Too good to be true? When a chance meeting leads young journalist Anders Jones to the sinister truth, he must risk everything to expose New You – if it's not already too late.



**The Monsters at the End of the World**  
by Rebecca Orwin

All her life, Sunny has known three truths about the creatures that prowl the seas off her tiny coastal town. They are dangerous. They are violent. They are monsters. But when a chance encounter leads to an unexpected connection, Sunny discovers just how wrong she has been. The monster she meets – Mo – is intelligent, gentle, and searching for his lost brother. Sunny desperately wants to help, and to keep her new friend a secret. But other people are keeping secrets too. And as hunger grips the town, new truths will emerge about the real monsters in Seawaren...



**Anya and the Light Above the Ocean**  
by Amelia Giudici

When her mum disappears, Anya sets out to find her in the middle of a storm. Taking a boat out to sea, she encounters a strange window of light hovering above the waves. Transfixed, she reaches out to touch it. She then wakes in her boat, the sea now eerily silent. With her mum still missing, Anya is packed off to stay with an odd, unwelcoming couple. Trapped under their watchful gaze, she uncovers a shocking secret that changes everything she thought she knew. Anya must now battle to find the truth: about her mum, about the Light, and about herself.



**Impossible Creatures**  
by Katherine Rundell

Christopher is stunned when he discovers a Way-Between from our world to the Archipelago: a cluster of magical islands where all the creatures of myth still live and breed and thrive in their thousands. There he meets Mal: a girl from the islands, who is in possession of a flying coat and a baby griffin, and who is being pursued by a killer. Together they embark on an urgent quest to discover why the creatures are suddenly perishing, voyaging across the wild splendour of the Archipelago, where sphinxes hold secrets and centaurs do murder, in a bid to save both the islands and the world beyond them from a rising evil - before it's too late.



### The Girl Who Raced the World

by Nat Harrison

It is 1872 and, when Maggie Appleton's beloved mother dies, she is left with nothing but a letter for a mysterious stranger called Passepartout. With nowhere else to turn, Maggie seeks out Passepartout and, in doing so, is drawn into an adventure beyond her wildest dreams. Together with Passepartout's employer, the enigmatic Mr Phileas Fogg, Maggie journeys to Italy, India, Hong Kong, Japan and America, in a daring race against time to win the wager Mr Fogg has accepted. But with a bank robber on the loose, an angry Inspector on their tail and unread secrets in her mother's letter, Maggie soon discovers that there is much more at stake than keeping on schedule to win the bet. Who can she really trust - and will she ever find out where she truly belongs?

## LIBRARY OPENING TIMES:

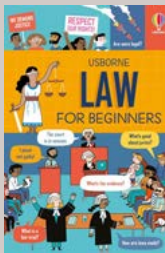
8.30am-5.00pm Monday - Thursday  
8.30am-4.30pm Friday  
1.00pm-1.15pm Closed for lunch

To attract more people to the library during lunchtime, the librarians have created a programme of events to have on a Friday lunchtime, to sit and eat lunch whilst watching or listening to concerts.

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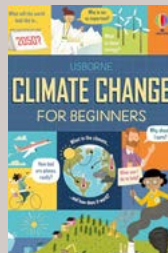
17th April - Coldplay at Jingle Bell Ball  
24th April - Dakhabrakha (Ukraine)  
1st May - Radio 1 Ibiza Prom - Pete Tong & Heritage Orchestra  
8th May - Buon Vista Social Club  
11th May - MON - Spotlight on O - Cirque Du Soleil  
22nd May - Femi Kuti & Positive Force  
5th June - Elgar Cello Concerto - David Owen & London Symphony Orchestra  
12th June - Afro Celt Sound System @estival LIVE  
19th June - Sarah Brightman - Symphony Live in Vienna  
26th June - Kae Tempest - Echoes with Jehnny Beth - ARTE Concert  
3rd July - KIMMO POHJONEN - UNIKO (Tallinn 2021)  
10th July - The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of The Ring, Prague Film Orchestra  
17th July - Taylor Swift • The 1989 World Tour Live

## NON-FICTION



### Law for Beginners

An entertaining and thought-provoking guide to what laws are, who makes them and how people enforce them. It covers crime and punishment as well as social and citizenship issues such as politics and international law, using a mixture of debates, cartoon strips and clear diagrams.



### Climate Crisis for Beginners

The climate crisis is real. It is already changing the world around us. This book uses simple language and vivid illustrations to explain complex questions clearly. How does the climate work? What are we doing to change it? What can we do differently to avoid the worst outcomes? Why do we all find change so hard? The climate crisis is a troubling and sensitive topic, especially for children, so the book includes vital tips on how to set realistic goals and not get overwhelmed by bad news.



### Staying Safe Online

The internet is full of amazing possibilities but, just like the real world, there are a lot of potential dangers and difficulties too. You need to know what to watch out for and how to protect yourself. Whether you're worried about oversharing on social media or coming across dangerous people, this guide gives you tips and tools to take control and stay safe online.

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## SUGGESTIONS

We are always looking to enhance our offering. If you have any suggestions for any books that you would like the library to get, or if you have any ideas of what to show on a Friday lunchtime, please speak to a member of staff in the library or email [library@southhunsley.org.uk](mailto:library@southhunsley.org.uk).



## NATIONAL CONNECTIONS

### Wednesday 25 March

On Wednesday, 13 Year 10 students performed the new play 'Ride or Die' by Florence Espeut-Nickless at York Theatre Royal, as part of the annual National Connections project. This is the 11th year we have participated in the event, each time taking our interpretation of a brand new British play. This year, the cast was directed by Jacob R. The students had the opportunity to work with professional theatre directors, education liaison staff and technical staff to transfer their production from KDS to the studio space at the theatre in addition to participating in a very creative workshop!

## CURRICULUM OVERVIEW

### Termly Update

All parents/carers should have received a Curriculum Overview for their child, showcasing the various topics that they will be learning in each subject. Please click on the links below to access the documents per year group.

[Year 7](#)
[Year 8](#)
[Year 9](#)
[Year 10](#)
[Year 11](#)


## GCSE SET FOR SUCCESS EVENING

### Wednesday 25 February

To help our Year 11 pupils prepare for exams, we held an evening specifically aimed at parents supporting their child through the revision and exam preparation.

There were short talks from our Directors for English, Maths and Science on preparing for GCSEs, along with a workshop on how to revise and the resources available to support revision.

There were also stands from Mind, the Director of SEND and the Careers Team to offer advice and support.

The evening was well attended and well received by parents. If you were unable to attend this click [here](#) to view the slides, or visit our exams section of the [website](#) for helpful information and resources.

## CURRICULUM SPOTLIGHT: SEND

**At South Hunsley School, we believe that every student deserves the opportunity to thrive, feel valued, and achieve their full potential. Our Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) provision is at the heart of this commitment, ensuring that learners are supported in a way that recognises their individual strengths, challenges, and aspirations.**

Our SEND team work closely with students, families, and colleagues to create a supportive environment. Whether a student needs help with communication, learning, emotional wellbeing, or physical access, we tailor our support to meet their specific needs, where required. This includes in-class support, small group interventions, or personalised learning strategies that help students build confidence and independence.

One of the key strengths of SEND at South Hunsley is the strong sense of community. Students are encouraged to celebrate differences and support one another, creating a culture where inclusion is not just policy, but something lived every day. Peer support, positive relationships, and understanding from staff all contribute to a safe and welcoming space for everyone. This week, Mrs Reilly has delivered assemblies to recognise Neurodiversity Celebration Week, educating pupils on neurodiversity, helping pupils celebrate different minds and changing the narrative surrounding neurodiversity to one that offers recognition and positivity, promoting neuroinclusion. We also recognise the importance of student voice.

Learners with SEND are encouraged to share their experiences and take an active role in shaping their own support. This empowers them to develop self-advocacy skills that will benefit them far beyond school. Their voice is captured on their One Page Profile as well as through relational practice.

The SEND team, along with Ms Blackledge, meet with parents of SEND students to discuss, agenda raised by parents/carers and the school, amongst other things transition, trips and fixtures and all things SEND!. We'd like to thank everyone for their contributions as the meetings fly by and the feedback and ideas are shaping our practice.

Our work with SEND students doesn't stop in the classroom. We aim to provide equal access to extracurricular activities, trips, and wider school life, ensuring that every student can participate fully and build positive memories and inform futures.

Behind the scenes, we're preparing for the transition process to welcome our new Year 7 pupils in September. The SEND team met with the feeder primaries recently to discuss plans for transition days and the transfer of information. Also, Mrs Leslie and Mrs Reilly

have begun visiting the primary schools to work alongside our SEND students in the classroom, getting to know each of them. Elloughton were the first to welcome us and we've more visits planned in the coming weeks.

The SEND team are currently taking part in the Core Needs Neurodiversity pilot scheme that allows us to work alongside a member of the neurodiversity team (the wonderful Sarah), in school, and gain advice as well as review provision for pupils. This has been a great source of support for both parents, pupils and colleagues in meeting the need of our pupils who are querying whether they may need to be assessed for neurodiversity. We're hoping the pilot will receive continued funding and become part of our SEND offer.

As we continue to evolve our SEND provision, and begin the final phase of our Humber building development, we remain focused on one simple goal: making sure that every student at South Hunsley feels seen, supported, and successful. Pupils and parents will assist us in shaping the future development of SEND provision here at South Hunsley and we're starting with the 'New Nest' shortly after Easter. Exciting times!

## SOUTH HUNSLEY SPORTING SUCCESS

It has been another fantastic term for sport at South Hunsley, with students achieving success at local, regional, and national level. The effort, teamwork, and determination shown across all year groups has been outstanding.

### Cross Country Success

Congratulations to Grace B (Year 9) and Zak BW (Year 11), who represented Humberside at the English Schools Cross Country Championships at Sefton Park, Liverpool on 14th March. Competing at this level is a huge achievement, and both performed brilliantly.

Zak has also qualified for the British Championships in London 2026 — an exceptional accomplishment.



### National Champions – Squash

Our squash team have made history this term by becoming National Squash Plate Winners. This is a fantastic achievement and highlights the growing strength of squash at South Hunsley. The team demonstrated resilience, skill, and teamwork throughout the competition.

### Futsal Champions

A brilliant performance from our futsal teams:

- U13 Girls were crowned Humberside Champions, winning all 6 games and conceding just one goal all day.
- Year 8 boys also won their Humberside Finals, remaining unbeaten and showing great consistency throughout.

### Football Success

It has been a hugely successful term for football across all year groups:

U16 Girls have reached the National Final and showed incredible resilience in their semi-final, coming back from 3–1 down to win 5–3. This is the third time this age group has reached the national finals — a fantastic achievement.

- U16 Girls also reached the National Cup semi-final.
- Year 9 boys beat Wolfreton 5–3 in the East Riding Cup.
- Year 8 boys progressed in the East Riding Cup with a 3–2 win.
- Year 7A won 2–1 after extra time to reach the semi-finals.

- Year 7B beat Hessle 1–0 and also secured a 4–0 win away at Humberston Academy.
- U12 Girls won in the Humberside Cup in tough weather conditions.
- U13 Girls represented Hull City in the EFL Utilita Cup Northern Finals, progressing to the knockout stages after strong performances.



### Netball Success

It has been an exceptional term for netball, with all teams progressing to the Humberside Finals after winning their end-of-season tournaments:

- Year 7 team finished 1st in their tournament, showing great attacking play and teamwork.
- Year 8 team remained unbeaten at their tournament at Driffild, with excellent performances across all areas of the court.

- Year 9 team finished top of the league for East Riding through to the Humber finals.
- Several students were recognised by opposition teams and coaches for their performances, highlighting the strength and depth across all squads.



## INTERFORM - YEARS 7, 8, 9 & 10

Monday 17 March - Friday 21 March

### Indoor Cricket

Our indoor cricket teams have continued to improve, with strong performances across all year groups. Students demonstrated excellent teamwork and tactical awareness throughout the term.

- The U13 boys won the East Riding Finals at Nuffield, winning all their games throughout the day

### Football Scholarship Success

A special congratulations to Isaac S (Year 11), who has earned a football scholarship with Lincoln City FC starting in September — a fantastic achievement and well deserved.

Overall, it has been a term full of success, progress, and memorable moments across all sports. We look forward to another exciting term ahead. Well done to all students involved! And thank you to all our PE staff for your commitment to the fixtures.

Our annual Winter Interform sporting competition took place in both the football and benchball competitions. All students worked together to earn the title of the best group in their year. Throughout the week, students displayed an outstanding attitude, whether participating as players or in coaching roles.

The results for the competitions are as follows:

	Year 7		Year 8		Year 9		Year 10	
	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls
1st	12	12	7	8	3	11	12	9
2nd	1	5	3	7	12	1	2	11
3rd	9	7	11	3	2	7	10	12

	Indus		Pegasus		Hercules
	Draco		Orion		Vela

We now look forward to the Year 11 Interform competition on Friday 24 April. We also look forward to the Summer Interform competitions, where students will compete in either softball or rounders. Stay tuned for more updates on the upcoming events!





## ABBIE C

Thursday 5 -  
Saturday 7 February

Year 9 pupil, Abbie competed in International Ice Talent Trophy Hasselt 2026. Abbie had the opportunity to compete against 23 participants representing several countries, including Belgium, Lithuania, Germany, France, the Netherlands, the UK, and Finland. We are very proud to share that she secured 7th place in this highly competitive field.

**Well done Abbie,  
amazing results on an  
International level.**



## EDEN F

Friday 6 March

Year 9 pupil Eden competed in Crufts at Birmingham's NEC. She has been working really hard to train her dog and qualified her over the summer and was recruited by a senior Kennel Club judge to be on a special team for displays and demos at the big shows and to train Eden to judge. She is also using this as her skill for the DofE Bronze Award.



## AMIRA R

Thursday 5 March

Amira in Year 7 competed in the British Ice Skating Synchronized Skating National Cup on Thursday 19 February at the Motorpoint Arena in Nottingham and Team Presto won!

Amria also competed in the British Ice Skating Singles Event on Thursday 5 March where she smashed her previous scores finishing 12th in Beginner Girls (11&12) and gained a new personal best!

**Congratulations Amira,  
wishing you every luck in  
future competitions.**



## FLORENCE W

Year 7 pupil Florence had an amazing year becoming champion for Fulbeck's Sprint Series Mini Max 950 Winter Warmer 2025 and Fulbeck's Sprint Series Mini Max 950 2025 for kart racing. The presentation in February celebrated all the winners of the season.

**This is an amazing  
achievement Florence**



## THE ADDAMS FAMILY REVIEW *by Georgina H*

When hearing the term musical, concepts of joy, laughter and community tend to flood your mind. However, what if there was a hidden wave of darkness, cruelty and sinister humour ready to wash away the theatre that you are used to and frankly bored of? Welcome to *The Addams Family*!

At South Hunsley, we pride ourselves in celebrating the arts. For this year's musical, we upgraded our usual school hall to the theatre of Middleton Hall. Our performance of *The Addams Family* combined the feelgood nature of theatre with unconventional characters to create a hugely successful night of entertainment. The staggered seating and professional lighting allowed the audience to fully immerse themselves in the story of an unorthodox family who find love, care and wholesomeness amidst their peculiar fondness for the strange and abnormal. These complex relationships were portrayed perfectly by our pupils, who embodied their roles with passion and precision that professionals would envy. Whilst the storyline, songs and characters were the building blocks of this extraordinary musical, its greatness and theatrical success was truly cemented through the immense talent of those who brought this performance to life.

Everyone knows there are three ingredients to a musical: acting, singing and dancing. Without one, the performance is incomplete. *The Addams Family* did not lack in any

area whatsoever. Instead, it took each element and transformed them into thrilling entertainment. The dancer's synchronised choreography created an almost hypnotising atmosphere on stage— one that glued audience members to their seats whilst simultaneously making them want to join in! Elegance replaced the fun tone when three dancers joined the stage in an emotional number to perform graceful, contemporary and acro sequences.



The main cast then undertook the most daunting task: conveying the storyline through song. Our Wednesday Addams, Alice Beineke, Lucas Beineke and Morticia Addams sang their solos with beautiful vocals layered with emotional tones, which expressed their characters' complex personalities and character arches. Gomez Addams and Uncle Fester also performed

their solos with perfected vocals, elevated by their humorous and charismatic tones!

The final aspect, acting, is arguably the most important. Pugsley Addams and Grandma displayed accents so convincing that no one could prove they were not their real voices. Lurch and Mal Beineke's expressive stares and glares allowed the audience to almost read their minds! Jokes were delivered with their full potential through the mannerisms, prop use and direct address of characters such as Gomez, Morticia and Uncle Fester. For a few hours, the stage no longer belonged to South Hunsley students, but instead to their alter egos of the Addams and Beineke families.

**Overall, *The Addams Family* ticked every box of a model musical, and we are so proud of everyone that was involved. Talent, confidence and passion radiated throughout the auditorium and all the hard work, without question, paid off. For now, we have to say goodbye to *The Addams Family*, but we are ready with open arms to welcome all future performances, characters and potential!**

2026

# UPCOMING EVENTS



## Calendar

Click to view our school calendar.



## Food Menus

Click to view our food menus for the upcoming term.

## APRIL

### MONDAY 13 APRIL

School reopens

### THURSDAY 23 APRIL

Year 12 Progress Evening

### FRIDAY 24 APRIL

Year 11 Interform

### FRIDAY 24 - SUNDAY 26 APRIL

DofE Practice Expedition

### WEDNESDAY 29 APRIL

Year 6 Out of Catchment  
Evening

### THURSDAY 30 APRIL

Primaries Spring Music  
Festival

## MAY

### MONDAY 4 MAY

Bank Holiday - school closed

### THURSDAY 7 MAY

Year 8 (A) Progress Evening

### WEDNESDAY 13 MAY

Year 8 (B) Progress Evening

### WEDNESDAY 20 MAY

Year 12 UCAS DAY

### FRIDAY 22 - WEDNESDAY 27 MAY

Glan-Llyn Wales  
Activity Residential

### SATURDAY 23 - THURSDAY 28 MAY

Year 10 MFL Barcelona Visit

### MONDAY 25 MAY

Half term starts  
- school closed

## JUNE

### MONDAY 1 JUNE

School reopens

### TUESDAY 2 - WEDNESDAY 3 JUNE

Sixth Form Hull University Visit

### WEDNESDAY 3 JUNE

Summer Showcase

### TUESDAY 9 - THURSDAY 11 JUNE

DofE Year 12 Gold  
Practice Expedition

### WEDNESDAY 10 - THURSDAY 11 JUNE

London West End Visit

### WEDNESDAY 11 JUNE

Year 11 Leavers Assembly

### FRIDAY 12 - MONDAY 15 JUNE

Battlefields Visit

### TUESDAY 23 - WEDNESDAY 24 JUNE

Rewards Trips

### MONDAY 22 JUNE

Sports Awards

### MONDAY 22 - WEDNESDAY 24 JUNE

Year 12 Biology Field Trip

### THURSDAY 25 JUNE

Year 6 Induction Day One  
and Induction Evening

### FRIDAY 26 JUNE

Year 6 Induction Day Two  
Sixth Form Prom

### MONDAY 29 JUNE - WEDNESDAY 1 JULY

Sixth Form Induction Lessons

### MONDAY 29 JUNE - FRIDAY 10 JULY

Ribblesdale Residential

# Finding the Ashes for the Ruth Strauss Foundation



Having successfully completed last year's 'Six 6s Challenge' former Headteacher Mr Williman, aka the 'Running Cricketer' is back in his pads 'Finding the Ashes for the RSF' Starting this month with the London marathon he will be visiting a number of Ashes test venues this summer and running various half marathons before heading to Australia for the Sydney marathon as he attempts to find the elusive Ashes ahead of Australia's return to these shores in 2027. To follow his journey and support his fundraising follow the QR code or link below:

*About*  
**WE'RE HERE FOR FAMILIES**  
 In early 2018, Ruth Strauss, the late wife of Sir Andrew Strauss, the former England cricket captain, was diagnosed with an incurable lung cancer that affects non-smokers. Ruth died on 29 December 2018; she was 46 years old and mother to two children, then aged 10 and 13.  
**IN HER MEMORY, SIR ANDREW HAS LAUNCHED THE RUTH STRAUSS FOUNDATION TO:**

- Provide emotional support for families to prepare for the death of a parent
- Raise awareness of the need for more research & collaboration in the fight against non-smoking lung cancers.



[The Running Cricketer - JustGiving](#)

<p><b>46,300</b> children are affected by the death of a parent each year in the UK <small>via Child Bereavement Network</small></p>	<p><b>26,900</b> parents with dependent children die each year in the UK <small>via Child Bereavement Network</small></p>	<p><b>127</b> children on average are facing the death of a parent each day <small>via Child Bereavement Network</small></p>
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