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Dear Parent/Carer

Round Up

After a strong start to the Spring Term, I am delighted to share with you a number of updates and student achievements from across our school.

Christmas Craft Fair

On Friday 20 December, we held our annual Christmas craft fair with students and staff from across the school getting involved. Stalls run by the Student Union as well as Year 12 students raised an impressive total of £224.29 for our chosen house charities including Kilifi Schools Education Fund, Yorkshire Air Ambulance, Teenage Cancer Trust, Swanland Education Africa Trust and Downright Special. Thank you to all the students and staff who took part.

Vermont Ski Trip 2020

The start of the New Year saw a group of Sixth Form students head to Vermont, USA for one of our annual Ski Trips. On Wednesday 1st January, students travelled from Heathrow to Boston, followed by a coach journey to Vermont. They were able to enjoy a total of 5 days on the slopes learning new skills and taking part in activities such as tubing. Evenings were filled with a range of different activities including swimming, movies, games, quizzes and pizza. On the final day of the trip students travelled to New York where they spent the day sightseeing and shopping before heading back to



Newark Airport for the overnight flight back to Heathrow, arriving home on Wednesday 8th January.

Mr Duerden, who led the trip, said "The students represented themselves and the school in a brilliant manner. They developed and progressed their skiing skills throughout the week whilst also enjoying the evening activities that were planned for them. Each student that attended the trip was a delight to take to America and they certainly impressed many people whilst there."

Hull Daily Mail Sporting Champions Awards

On Wednesday 22 January, Hull Daily Mail held their annual Sporting Champions Awards. We were delighted to have been nominated in a number of categories including Outstanding Sports School, Sporting Inspiration of the Year, Junior Girl of the Year and Sports Team of the Year. Our PE department attended the evening along with former South Hunsley teacher, Mr Binks, who was nominated Sporting Inspiration of the Year and still comes into school each week to teach sport. They were also joined by students Fran H and Fay T who were both nominated for the Junior Girl of the Year award. A brilliant night was had by all, especially our U16 Netball Team who came home with the trophy for Sports Team of the Year. A well-deserved award that is a true testament to the dedication and success the team has demonstrated over the past year.



High School Musical

Tickets are now on sale for our next whole school production of High School Musical. Performances will take place on Thursday 30 January, Friday 31 January and Saturday 1 February at 7pm and tickets can be purchased from the finance office for £6 or £4 for concessions.



Languages

Students in Year 9 have been learning about the benefits of learning languages. A recent study by the Higher Education Policy Institute suggested that whilst 79% of students in France and 90% of students in Germany are able to read and write in more than one language, only 32% of students in the UK can do so. In an increasingly global economy, this gap can put our young people at a disadvantage. Our Year 9 students have been finding out how the study of languages can increase their awareness of other cultures, help their competitiveness in the employment market, increase their learning and thinking skills and help their understanding of GCSE English language. As a school we are very fortunate to be able to offer students the opportunity to study French, German and Spanish as GCSE options and we know from speaking with many students and parents at our recent Careers Evening that it will continue to be a popular options choice.

Musical Success

In December, Year 9 student Chloe W passed her grade 3 Violin exam. Well done Chloe.

Sporting achievements

Once again, we have a number of achievements to share with you from both school sporting fixtures and students personal achievements, congratulations to all those mentioned below.

<u>Tennis</u>

Year 12 student Jess D has been playing Tennis since the age of 4 and has been ranked 5th in the country at U16 and 20th at U18. She is currently playing in British Tour Events across the UK the latest of which was in Stirling this week. Not only is it an outstanding achievement to get to this level but also shows a great amount of commitment and determination.

Football

- 1. Our U12 Girls Football Team won their match against Cleethorpes 5-1 in the National Cup.
- 2. Our U13 Girls Football Team are now through to the last 16 in the National Cup after beating McMillan Academy. They also won their match against Wales High School 9-0 as part of the Sisters in Sport Cup.
- 3. The U15 East Riding Boys Team beat Darlington taking them through to the last 16 nationally. There were a total of 7 South Hunsley students in the team, including Harry M who scored a hat trick.

- 4. Our Year 9 Boys Foodball Team won their match against Keppier Academy 7-2 taking them through to the semi-finals of the National Cup.
- 5. A number of our Football Teams played matches against Wolfreton last week. Our U12 Girls, U13 Girls and U15 Boys all won their matches against Wolfreton's teams in the Humberside Cup.
- 6. Our Year 9 Boys Football Team won their match against Leicester, taking them through to the last 8 of the National Cup.

<u>Netball</u>

Year 11 student Lydia H has been playing Netball since the age of 6 and now spends 5 nights a week training in the sport. Whilst playing in one of Leeds Rhinos U19s session Lydia was spotted by an England Scout and was invited to trials for the England U17 Netball squad on Sunday 19 January. Not only was Lydia the only player chosen from Yorkshire, but if successful she will get to tour Europe playing a sport she loves.

Cricket

Our U15 Boys Cricket Team won their match against Wolfreton and are now through to the East Yorkshire Finals.

Yorkshire Wolds Teacher Training Event

On Thursday 30 January 55 students from South Hunsley, Driffield, Wyke, Wilberforce, Beverley, Selby and Wolfreton 6th Form will be attending our Teaching Employer Led Programme Masterclass to develop the skills needed to be great teachers in the future. The programme aims to support young people's passion for teaching and help them to understand the potential routes into teaching in the future. The students will engage in three masterclasses, observe lessons and collaborate with teachers in Kenya to build creative resources and enhance CPD in a school which currently has no training in terms of resource creation. The students will be given the opportunity to attend talks, engage in project work and lessons and listen to career workshops with professionals right across our trust schools. We are delighted to have created this unique programme to support and encourage applications into teaching in the future across a range of providers in the area.

We are also delighted to have received government funding to deliver 10 paid internships for those students in their second year of their degree at university who are seriously considering teaching Maths and/or Physics at secondary school level. Those students who wish to explore this opportunity or want to develop a greater understanding of the profession are encouraged to register their interest at this stage. Interns will be paid £1200 for their 4-week internship in June 2020.

Please email <u>sarah.barley@theeducationalliance.org.uk</u> if you would like to find out about our Teaching Employer Led Programme for Y12/13 students or know someone who may be in their second year of a degree and wants to teach Maths or Physics in the future.

Pupil Success Stories

If your child has achieved anything outstanding outside school, we would love to hear from you so that we can recognise and share their success. Please email <u>marketing@southhunsley.org.uk</u>

Dates for your Diary

Thursday 30 January 2020	Whole School Production starts
Week Commencing 2 February 2020	HPV Vaccinations
Wednesday 5 February 2020	HE+ Event
Thursday 6 February 2020	Personal Development Day
Thursday 6 February 2020	Year 11 School and Group Photos
Friday 14 February 2020	School Closes for Half Term
Monday 24 February 2020	School re-opens after Half Term
Thursday 27 February 2020	Year 10 A-K Progress Evening
Wednesday 4 March 2020	Year 10 L-Z Progress Evening
Wednesday 11 March 2020	Year 13 Progress Evening
Monday 23 March 2020	Personal Development Day

Can I thank you for your continued support and look forward to sharing further student and school successes later in the term.

Yours sincerely

Richard Williman Head of School