

Year 9 **SPRING** Newsletter

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Message from Head of Year!

Another fantastic term with the Year 9's. We have had a busy spring term where students have been selecting their subject choices for next year. We are looking forward to our Reward trip for some excellent effort this year.

A fantastic Aspire day for the Year 9's with lots of different activities and thoughtful discussions for students.

We have had a lovely term where we caught up with many Year 9 parents at the progress evening and Pathway evening. It was lovely to speak to you all and show you some of the fantastic things the students have been up to.

Special events

- ✦ Pathway choices
- ✦ Careers Fair
- ✦ End of Year School Trip



Basketball Challenge Action Shot.



“No Lost Learning, No excuses”



Tutor Messages

MCR

This term has been quite dynamic for eight MCR. The student with the most overall points for behaviour is Carris Clark at 166, followed by Kyer, Strong at 152 and Zara with 150 points.

Well done to these star Pupils.

Attendance has improved this term with the majority of student spending more time at the academy we have also noticed a slight decrease in negative behaviour points which shows an overall increase in students getting it right

On sporting front we have a number of girls and boys involved in the football teams which have experienced several games and relayed some interesting anecdotes during tutor time.

We still have to work at the tutor time challenges as we have yet to win one - much to the chagrin of the form. Here's looking forward to after Easter some can give the other tutor groups a run for their money.

HPH

09/HPH have had a good term with lots of reward points given for students working hard and striving to learn as much as possible in their lessons. Tutor challenges have been fun with our group fighting hard to score the best, but this hasn't always turned out as planned (our Head of Year Miss Dibdin has set some very challenging challenges!) You will soon be picking options for GCSE, so attendance, behaviour and effort are all important to ensure you have the best chance of your first choices. It was great to see so many of you at our Pathways Evening where hopefully you got more information on what the subjects entail, especially the new subjects which you have not studied before. In the meantime, keep working hard during your final term - you are now more than halfway through secondary school but we still have plenty of time to ensure you succeed before leaving!

HHO/TRO

9HHO have seen a good rise in attendance recently, lets keep this up! 95% of our tutor group have also achieved a greater number of positive behaviour points than negatives. We are continuing to do well across the majority of the tutor challenges. Our tutor group are working really well together, with more people taking part in the class discussions during our PSHE sessions. Being part of our tutor group has been such a rewarding experience. It's amazing to see how much we've grown and achieved as a team.

DGR

My tutor has had a good term with attendance. They have managed to get top spot within the year after being bottom for so long. As always, my tutor has been a pleasure to look after, and we have had a great pathways event which it was nice to see so many of you interested in computing.

IWH

This term has been a triumph for attendance as far as 9IWH, well up on previous terms and significantly higher than 90%. Tutor challenges have proved a challenge - but we have enjoyed the Historical photos Challenge. We've also seen a massive drop in the number of negative points being given out which is great news and something we hope to continue after Easter. I have big hopes that we won't be in last place for behaviour in the rewards assembly. Fingers crossed!



The Amazing Year 9 students.



IWH recreating a historical image challenge.



DCR recreating a historical image challenge.



HHO recreating a historical image challenge.



MCR recreating a historical image challenge.



Fantastic Sports Leaders.

This term five of our superb sports leaders had the opportunity to further enhance their leadership skills! We had the honour of welcoming former British tennis pro, Jade Windley, into our academy to work with our students. Jade won 19 titles throughout her prestigious career across both singles and doubles competitions, as well as competing at Wimbledon! Our sessions were all focused on having an Active mind to support mental and physical health.

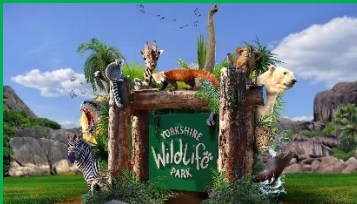
Jade demonstrated some exciting engaging games and techniques to our leaders, who then went on to deliver some of their own creative ideas to 15 of our chosen students.

Jade had nothing but praise for our 5 leaders and cannot wait for her return visit in May to see how much progress we have made! A huge thankyou goes to both Jade and the Youth Sport Trust for giving our students this opportunity. Our students were full of praise for Jade, and we look forward to welcoming her back shortly! ✨

Super Star Year 9's



National Careers Week



Year 9 Reward trip



Super star Footballers make it to the Final.



Fantastic Sports Leaders.

