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Driffield,
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20 November 2017

Dear Parents/Carers

Re: Head's Round Up

Another busy two weeks have flown by and we have a lot to celebrate. Over the past two weeks we have seen Lucy Welburn presenting to the Rotary Club at their leadership experience week. Miss Stanesby attended the British Nutrition Foundation Day at the Royal College of Physicians to celebrate Hannah Edeson receiving the BNF Drummond Education Award. She was awarded this for achieving the highest mark in the country for her A Level Food technology. We have also hosted the Duke of Edinburgh award presentation evening. Many congratulations to Lydia Buckton, Lucinda Collinge, Matthew Galtry, Charlotte Hall, Jacob Kunz, Lucy Morley, Chloe Rhodes, Kayleigh Simpson, Jack Thompson, Finnlan Warren-Lambert, Oliver Witheford, Rebecca Wood, Georgia Woolhouse for receiving the Bronze awards; John Jacques for receiving the Silver awards and finally Alistair Jacques for receiving the Gold award. This is a tremendous achievement and demonstrates what fantastic students we have to work with on a daily basis.

Uniform

Following a successful meeting with a local provider of our uniform, I am pleased to confirm that the final preparations are taking shape and the proposed uniform sample will be available on display at the Ace reception from Monday 11 December. We welcome feedback from parents, students and staff, so please do let us know what your thoughts are on the new uniform. Please pop in when you visit the school and complete a feedback sheet.

SIMS parent app

Following the trial of the SIMS parent app, we are now ready to distribute to all parents. We are starting with Year 7 on Monday 20 November 2017. As you know, we do need to hold an email address for you in order for you to access this app, so please provide us with an up to date email address if you haven't already. For the remainder of the students, we will roll it out before Christmas and we will continue to communicate with you at each update.

Vaccinations

This is a reminder that the vaccinations for Year 8 and Year 9 students will take place on the following dates:

Y9 girls' and boys' school leaver booster and Men ACWY vaccinations will be held on Monday 27 November and Wednesday 29th November 2017.

Y8 girls HPV vaccination will take place on Tuesday 10 April 2018 and for Y9 girls HPV vaccinations on Thursday 12 April 2018.

Consent forms for parents have been issued and if you haven't yet completed the consent form, please contact Mrs Green in Health point as a matter of urgency, to ensure your child's vaccination can go ahead.



Prison me no way (PMNW)

On Thursday 30 November 2017 we held the annual crime and safety awareness day delivered by the PMNW Day trust to all Year 9 students.

This year, the students will be taking part in various workshops which include, social network safety, bus wise and ex-offender workshops. The day involves lots of role play and interactivity, such as life size prison cells and a mock up street scene. This is always an enjoyable and very informative day based around the theme of students making the 'right choices' in life.

If you would like to know more about the work of the Prison Me No Way Trust, then please visit the website www.pmnw.co.uk for more information.

Food bank

Fawcett house are holding a charitable event through the period of advent. We are supporting the Driffield food bank, an independent food bank organised by the Driffield Churches Together Group. Each week, they support local families who are in hardship, and are struggling to put food on their tables.

Each pupil in Fawcett will be asked to bring in a donation to the food bank collection during advent. A list of the types of food required is listed below:

Milk (UHT or powdered), sugar (500g), fruit juice (carton), soup, pasta sauces, sponge pudding (tinned), tomatoes (tinned), cereals, rice pudding (tinned), tea bags/instant coffee, instant mash potato, rice/pasta, tinned meat/fish, tinned fruit, jam, biscuits or snack bars, nappies, baby food and other household essentials. Also, non-perishable Christmas items; e.g. Christmas pudding/cake. Please no fresh produce.

We hope that you are able to support us in our charitable efforts and that all pupils in Fawcett house will take pride in supporting a very much needed local charity.

Year 11 Mocks

Year 11 have started well in the new academic year and together we are working hard to prepare the students for their exams next summer. We have a full timetable planned for mock exams starting on Monday 27 November which will run for 10 days. Many different interventions are taking place across the school and the students will receive their exam timetables shortly. We hope the students are busy revising and feeling confident for these exams, however if any student feels they require support, please do not hesitate to contact your Head of House.

The Driffield School Association Craft fair

The largest craft fair in the East Riding with 80 stalls will be taking place on Sunday 26 November from 10.00am to 3.30pm at Driffield School. The admission cost is £1 entry fee, concessions 75p, children under 11 gain free entry. Refreshments are available throughout the day. We look forward to seeing you there.

Driffield Christmas Lights

Driffield School is proud to support the local community in the annual event of switching the Christmas lights on, Members of the senior leadership team will be present on the evening of Friday 1 December 2017 at 7pm and we hope to see many familiar faces from the school celebrating with the festive spirit.

Y8 RAF STEM day

The highly successful STEM Roadshow, which is delivered on behalf of the Royal Air Force, is coming to Driffield School on Wednesday 29 November 2017. This initiative was launched in 2015 and the Roadshow was devised in response to the Government's acknowledgement that there is already a shortfall of 'home grown' scientists and engineers to meet the needs of the country.

'Fun with Flight' is a 50-minute jet fuelled presentation exploring the physics of flying. Students will discover how the physics they study in the classroom is an integral part of the work that engineers undertake in the RAF and other engineering organisations.

Using exciting demonstrations, we invite students to take part in some jaw dropping experiments. Drones, balloons, airships and even jet engines are explored in a way that will literally make their hair stand on end. They will also learn about the microlight world altitude record and the physics behind the RAF's success.

Support and protection for children/young people (0-18 years)

Following feedback from parents regarding what support is available internally and externally for students, we have provided a detailed explanation of all support methods to assist with the understanding of what each key role consists of.

Pastoral Team Driffield School

House Tutors

House Tutor, a non-teaching member of staff who leads pastoral support for all of the students in their house.

Heads of House

House Tutors are supported by a Head of House who is a member of the teaching staff and monitors academic progress of the students. If you have any issues or pastoral concerns such as bullying, this is the person you should contact.

Designated Safeguarding Lead /Safeguarding Officer

The Designated Safeguarding Officer are the first point of contact for all staff and parents to go to for advice if they are concerned about a child. The Safeguarding Officer will offer guidance and support to refer into external services to support the child and their family. All the external services that can be accessed are listed below.

Emotional Literacy Support Assistant

ELSA supports Social skills, emotions, bereavement, social stories and therapeutic stories, anger management, self-esteem, counselling skills such as solution focused and friendship. In Driffield School we have two members of staff who are trained in ELSA.

All the above please contact the House team directly or 01377 253631 EX 212

External Agencies

Early Help & Safeguarding Hub (EHaSH)

If you are worried about a child / young person or think they might be at risk of harm, abuse or neglect you can contact EHaSH to discuss and receive advice. The team can be contacted on: 01482 395500

Children Centre (0-9)

Sure start children's centres are designed as a 'one-stop shop' to provide opportunities for local families with children under eight to find support and advice, share new play and learning experiences together, relax and unwind and meet new friends. Please view the website link <http://www2.eastriding.gov.uk/living/children-and-families/find-a-sure-start-childrens-centre>

FISH

The friendly, helpful FISH team operates a helpline offering free, impartial information for young people, parents and carers and professionals who have a role in supporting families. FISH is a 'one-stop-shop' where you can get information on activities, childcare, free early education including the 30 hours extended entitlement, money matters and all other services available for families. FISH also have a family service directory which provides information on: emotional health and wellbeing, childcare, education, health, money, parent/carer support, safety and parent and toddler groups. The team can be contacted on: 01482 396469

SENDIASS

The special educational needs and disabilities information advice and support service provide information, advice and support to parents and carers of children and young people with special educational needs or disabilities. The service provided is impartial and confidential. SENDIASS provide information on: SEN support in the early years, schools and further education providers, assessments and education, health and care (EHC) plans, health and social care law, choosing a school/post 16 education, preparing for adulthood, personal budgets, disability living allowance and grant giving organisations, local parent carer support groups, social and leisure opportunities for children and young people with SEND, resolving disagreements, mediation and appeals and more. The team can be contacted on: 01482 396469

Educational Psychology

The Education inclusion services works with schools, early year's settings, alternative learning settings, post-school settings and other agencies. They apply their knowledge of psychology to improve the learning and wellbeing of children & young people. Please contact Miss Burgess on 01377 253631 Ext 212.

CAMHs

CAMHS stands for child and adolescent mental health services. CAMHS are the NHS services that assesses and treat young people with emotional, behavioural or mental health difficulties. CAMHS support covers depression, problems with food, self-harm, abuse, violence or anger, bipolar, schizophrenia and anxiety, to name but a few. The team can be contacted on: 01482 303810

MIND

MIND use evidence based therapeutic interventions to support children and young people to develop coping strategies and address emotional issues. The counselling referrals for 10-18 year olds are through CAMHS. The team can be contacted on: 01482 303810

CAMHS Specialist Eating Disorder Service

The CAMHS specialist eating disorder service is for young people under the age of 18, where there are concerns about a possible eating disorder. Young people with eating disorders anorexia nervosa, bulimia nervosa or other specified feeding or eating disorders (OFSEDS). The team can be contacted on: 01482 303810

SMASH

Social mediation and self-help, or SMASH for short, take referrals from schools to work with groups of young people on a restorative and peer to peer support basis. Feedback from the schools and families has been extremely positive and report that the young people's confidence and self- esteem have improved having been part of the programme. Please contact Miss Burgess on 01377 253631 Ext 212

Prevention and Education Team (PET)

The prevention and education team support young people with more complex problems. The team supports young people with poor emotional health where there is some impact on the child/young person's ability to function in daily life. The team are trained in using a CBT approach and will soon be trained to use teen star with each young person they see. The team can be contacted on: 01482 395500

Youth family Support (YFS)

Youth and Family Support (YFS) provide help and advice for young people and their families who are experiencing problems or require support with: emotional health, mental health, wellbeing, behaviour and aggression, drugs or alcohol, family relationships, school attendance, bereavement and separation. The team can be contacted on: 01482 395500

Young Carers

A young carer is someone under 18 who helps look after someone in their family, or a friend, who is ill, disabled or misuses drugs or alcohol. Carers trust helps young carers to cope with their caring role through specialised services. The team can be contacted on: 01482 395500

Please call Miss Burgess (Safeguarding Officer) for any further advice on 01377 253631 Ex212.

I will write to you again in two weeks with more updates from around the school.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D Pickering', written in a cursive style.

D Pickering
Head of School



THE DRIFFIELD SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

INVITES YOU TO VISIT THE 25th ANNUAL

CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR



THE LARGEST CRAFT FAIR IN THE EAST RIDING
WITH 80 STALLS

1000s of possible Christmas present ideas

SUNDAY 26TH NOVEMBER

DRIFFIELD SCHOOL

10.00_{AM} - 3.30_{PM}

ADMISSION £1 CONCESSIONS 75p
(ACCOMPANIED CHILDREN UNDER 11 FREE)

ALL ENTRY JUST 50p AFTER 2PM

Refreshments all day, Ample parking

