



DRIFFIELD  
SCHOOL  
& SIXTH FORM

# Parent & Carer Bulletin

Thursday 16 March 2023

As we are in the middle of another busy half term, we would like to commend our exam groups on their positive work ethic; they continue to work extremely hard towards their examinations and we are very proud of them. 173 Year 11 students are accessing revision sessions at lunch time and after school.

We would like to thank to Mrs Snowden and Mrs Mills for running the book fair earlier this month. To celebrate World Book Day, Key Stage 3 students were read a story across the day (in addition to our weekly literacy activities, as part of our form programme). We also celebrated National Careers week and were delighted to welcome Kathryn Burn, the founder of Pyjamily and My Christmas Pyjamas, BBC Apprentice Finalist and motivational speaker to school. Kathryn spoke to students from a range of year groups to inspire and motivate them to reach their goals.

## Full School Information

- We have been delighted to share our latest [Cornerstones Newsletter](#) with lots of exciting news about Personal Development at Driffield School and pastoral updates.
- Lots of exciting careers [news](#) is available including updates on National Careers Week and the BBC Bitesize Careers Tour.
- The Driffield School Association are running an Easter Egg Bingo on 23 March at 7 pm. If you are able to donate any Easter themed prizes, please hand these in at the ACE reception by 22 March.

## Year 7 Information

- Details of the Year 7 Curriculum for the spring term have been [shared](#) and if you have any queries, please don't hesitate to contact the school.

## Year 8 Information

- Details of the Year 8 Curriculum for the spring term have been [shared](#) and if you have any queries, please don't hesitate to contact the school.
- Year 8 Design and Technology students have been completing a project on sustainable engineering and students are able to take their car body home once the project is complete. Some students have shown an interest in purchasing the solar powered buggy kit to use at home and full details have been [shared](#).
- HPV [vaccinations](#) will take place for Year 8 students on 30 March 2023. The evidence shows that HPV vaccines help to protect young people from HPV related cancers and if you have any queries, please contact the Hull & East Riding Immunisation Team at: [Immunisations.Eastriding@Intrahealth.co.uk](mailto:Immunisations.Eastriding@Intrahealth.co.uk).

## Year 9 Information

- Details of the Year 9 Curriculum for the spring term have been [shared](#) and if you have any queries, please don't hesitate to contact the school.
- [Prison! Me! No Way!](#) Day will take place for all our Year 9 students on 22 March 2023. This interactive [day](#) involves a range of workshops on cyber safety, making the right choices, ex-offender workshops, county lines, prison life, fire safety and the work of police dogs. If you have any queries in the meantime, please don't hesitate to contact Mrs Wilkinson (Subject Leader for Social Studies) via [office@driffieldschool.org.uk](mailto:office@driffieldschool.org.uk)

## Year 10 Information

- Details of the Year 10 Curriculum for the spring term have been shared and if you have any queries, please don't hesitate to contact the school

## Year 11 Information

- Full details of revision [sessions](#) have been shared and [twilight bus services](#) do run on Mondays and Thursdays. If you have any questions or concerns about transport, please contact the school's reception team in the first instance. We encourage students to attend these sessions that are designed to help understanding of difficult concepts and supplement their revision at home.
- Details of the Year 11 Curriculum for the spring term have been shared and if you have any queries, please don't hesitate to contact the school.
- Progress reports will be emailed out just prior to the Easter break. If you have any concerns or questions about your child's progress, please contact your child's subject teacher.
- The GCSE Drama [Practical Exam](#) will take place on 30 March and this is worth 20% of students' overall GCSE grade. Full details have been shared and if you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact Mr Colley (Head of Drama) via [office@driffieldschool.org.uk](mailto:office@driffieldschool.org.uk)
- Details have been shared for coursework deadlines for GCSE [Design and Technology](#) (deadline for final portfolio 31 March 2023) and CAMNAT [Engineering Design](#) (deadline for final submissions 30 March 2023). All students have the opportunity to attend catch up sessions on Mondays and Thursdays and twilight buses are available if needed. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact Mrs Knight (Subject Leader for Technology) via [office@driffieldschool.org.uk](mailto:office@driffieldschool.org.uk).

## Year 13 Information

- Students have now been provided with their final [progress report](#) of the year and details of [revision sessions](#) have been shared. If you have any concerns regarding your child's progress, please don't hesitate to contact either Mr Andrews (Head of Sixth Form and Assistant Headteacher) or subject teachers directly via [office@driffieldschool.org.uk](mailto:office@driffieldschool.org.uk).
- For those students who have applied for a place at university through UCAS, [details](#) of guidance about the remaining key stages of the application process have been shared.

## Trips and Visits

- The Barcelona Music Tour will be taking place at May half term. The final meeting before travel will take place on 10 May 2023 at 6 pm to confirm final details. If you have any queries in the meantime, please don't hesitate to contact Mr Couper (Subject Leader for Music) via [office@driffieldschool.org.uk](mailto:office@driffieldschool.org.uk).

- A Level [Geography](#) students have had the opportunity to take part in a fieldwork visit to Sheffield on 14 March 2023. This was an enjoyable trip that gave students the opportunity to further study carbon sequestration and look at the 'grey to green project' set up alongside Sheffield University.
- [Details](#) have been shared about the exciting CERN visit for our Sixth Form students which takes place on 11 April and if you have any further questions, please don't hesitate to contact the school.
- We are delighted so many students have signed up for the Duke of Edinburgh award scheme. All students are entitled to a free polo shirt and full details can be accessed via this [link](#) or by contacting the school's reception team.
- We have experienced significantly more interest in the ski trip than the forty available places we had provisionally booked. It is fantastic that so many students are interested in this trip and we are currently in discussions with our tour operator to look at the feasibility and practicality of increasing the number of places, whilst prioritising the enjoyment and safety of our students. We will contact those who have expressed an interest in the trip as soon as we have more information. If you have any questions or queries in the meantime, please do not hesitate to get contact us via [office@driffieldschool.org.uk](mailto:office@driffieldschool.org.uk).

## Other Useful Information

To access our website:

[driffieldschool.net](http://driffieldschool.net)

To purchase school items, including revision guides:

[shop.driffieldschool.net](http://shop.driffieldschool.net)

- If you need a copy of your ParentPay activation code, please contact [finance@driffieldschool.org.uk](mailto:finance@driffieldschool.org.uk).
- The school can be contacted by telephone on 01377 253631 or emailed at [office@driffieldschool.org.uk](mailto:office@driffieldschool.org.uk). If you have changed your contact details or wish to change your consent for photos/videos to be used by the school, please let us know so we can update your details.
- Some individuals in school have a very severe, anaphylactic reaction to trace of nuts. We kindly remind you that students are not to bring any items into school containing nuts. Thank you for your continued support with this.

