

Horsforth School

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Dear Parent/Carer,

I would like to thank all the wonderful students who helped us last night at Open Evening. It's always great to be able to see prospective parents and give a flavour of what happens at Horsforth School and the fact that our students can give their views and let parents know what it's like on a daily basis is really helpful.













Parent Voice

Thank you to everyone who has completed the parent voice, for it to be really useful we are aiming for a 50% response rate so if you could spare the time I would greatly appreciate it. (<u>Parent Voice</u> link). This will close next week.

Extra-Curricular Offer

Please find the Extra-Curricular Programme for 2023-24 here. This will be updated regularly as activities are added/deleted so please check it frequently for up to date information on which clubs and activities are on offer for each year group (please see the correct year group tab at the bottom of the document). For information about specific activities, please contact the lead teacher identified on the document.

Resources to Support Parents with CENTURY TECH

CENTURY TECH is a tried and tested intervention tool where learners can complete mini-lessons or Nuggets. Learners can choose which nuggets they want to complete, complete nuggets set by teachers, or allow CENTURY to suggest the best nuggets for them based on their strengths and weaknesses.

Lots of homework is set on Century Tech. Here is a parent's guide on how to best support your child: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yn0TdhcaLbY

Christmas Card Competition

It's that time of year again to think about our school Christmas card for 2023 so we are excited to announce that we are launching the annual Christmas Card Competition!

We encourage all students to get involved and send us their entries. These can be drawings, paintings, photography etc. Be as creative as you like. Please see below last year's winner.

Please send any entries to marketing@horsforthschool.org, or alternatively drop them off in reception. The deadline for entries is Monday 6th November. We will choose a winner on Friday 10th November and a prize will be awarded to the winning student. Good luck!



Sports Fixtures

Year 8 Cup Fixture

The Year 8 Boys were victorious over a very physical and aggressive Dixons Chapeltown Team on Monday. Winning 5-0, Mylo scoring 2, Oliver scoring I, Lucas scoring I and Jacob scoring I. The boys showed great strength in retaining the ball and should have scored a lot more. Some excellent performances with Player of the Match going to Alfie who played some wonderful football in midfield and

controlled the game throughout.

Terrific effort from all those who participated. Fantastic tactics and management from Mr Maxwell too!

Cross Country Scores from Middleton on Saturday (position):

Under 13 Boys: Alfie - 2, Tim - 7, James - 8, Rhys - 18, Alex - 31, Jake - 42, Alfie - 44

Under 13 Girls:

Danielle - 16

Under 15 Girls:

Daphne - 5, Rebecca - 21

Monday Football:

Girls U16 league:

Horsforth 0 - 2 llkley: Player of the Match was Abi in Year 10

Horsforth I - 0 Carr Manor: Player of the Match was Lowri in Year II

Horsforth 0 - 0 Cardinal Heenan: Player of the Match was Abbie in Year II

Horsforth I - 0 Ralph Thoresby: Player of the Match was Eliora in Year 10

Tuesday Netball:

Horsforth 24 - 9 Gateways. Player of the Match - Emily.

Our Year 12 and 13 Golf academy students also supported a primary school's event at Cookridge Golf Club on Monday for their enrichment.

Sixth Form at Horsforth News

Sixth Form at Horsforth Open Evening

We are pleased to let you know our first sixth form open evening for this year will take place on Thursday I6th November. All the information about the evening is here, you also need to register for a free ticket via the link on this page. (Please note: Current Year II Horsforth School students should register too.)

We look forward to seeing you on the night.

Sixth Form Head Students

Last week our Sixth Form students delivered their manifestos as they looked to become Head Students of the Sixth Form at Horsforth. We are very pleased to announce that Tiff and Arian in Year 13 have been successfully elected as our new Head Students. Congratulations both!

We are also thrilled to share that Aya in Year 13 has been appointed as our Sixth Form Diversity and Inclusion Lead.

Thank you to everyone who voted and took part!

'Opportunity and achievement for all'

Leeds Climate Conference

Mrs Thomas and some of our Year 13 students attended the Leeds Climate Conference last week. There was a strong panel of speakers including Ed Milliband (Shadow Secretary of State for Climate Change and Net Zero), Katie White OBE (Climate Campaigner and Executive Director Advocacy and Campaign at WWF), Professor Leigh Hoath (Deputy Dean, School of Education at Leeds Trinity University and co-chair of CAPE – Climate Adapted Pathways for Education) and Katie Clegg (Director of Sustainability at Leeds Trinity University). The students enjoyed listening to how climate change may be tackled and meeting the panel members at the end of the conference.



Senior Maths Challenge

Congratulations to all 54 students from Year 12 and 13 who took part in this year's national Senior Maths Challenge this week. The paper was as difficult as ever, but Mr Harrisson was impressed by our students' perseverance in working until the very end of the time available. The results will be known soon and Mr Harrisson is confident that lots of Gold, Silver and Bronze certificates will be awarded.

Thank you, as always, for your support,

Yours faithfully

Dr P Bell Headteacher