



Newsletter 01: 17th September 2022

Working Together to Improve Standards and Share Success

News from this Week

A great first week back!

We have had a very settled and productive first week back in school. Our staff and students have returned refreshed and enthused; there has been a lovely atmosphere in the building and some great learning taking place. Thank you to our parents/carers. Nearly 90% of families attended enrolment day, which has definitely contributed to the positive start. Students look extremely smart and are equipped ready to learn. Just a reminder that should the weather change next week, hoodies are not allowed in school. Students can wear a waterproof coat. Planners have now arrived. These will be distributed to students on Tuesday and must be brought to school each day. Rewards are collated in the planner. Failure to bring the planner will result in the loss of social time.

Attendance Update

You are aware from enrolment day of the link between good attendance and academic success. We know from our data that students with attendance of 95% or above make progress above the national average. Each week we will be sharing attendance figures with you.

Date w/c	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11	Overall Weekly	Cumulative Yearly
05.09.22	98.4	96.3	90.4	96.6	91.3	94.3	94.3
12.09.22	94.8	94	89.5	90	92.3	92.3	92.9

There are many students who are still in our '100 club'. Weekly rewards will be chosen from the 100 club at random each week, with the reward progressively increasing with each half term that passes. Students also receive weekly points for attendance that contribute towards their participation in the Inflatables Day in October. Students must meet two criteria to be involved:

- Positive net BFL score (positive points must outweigh negative points).
- Attendance for the first half term of 95% or above.

Thank you to parents/carers that are working pro-actively with us.

Extra-Curricular Activities

It has been great to see so many students enjoying enrichment activities this week. It is our goal to ensure every student attends at least one extra-curricular activity to enrich their school curriculum. Early indications suggest well over 50% of our cohort have attended at least one activity this week. It was particularly nice on Friday evening to see staff and students playing badminton together. If your child has not attended a club at either lunchtime or after school this week, then please encourage them to do so. Activities available are detailed in the enrolment booklet or available on the school website.

Just a reminder for Year 11 parents/carers, other than Tuesday (staff training) there are GCSE support sessions every night. We have seen approximately 75% of the year group this week. Thank you for your support – we know good revision habits make a difference.

Student leadership forms will be distributed next week to apply for the **school council**. Please encourage your child to apply if you think this is a role they would enjoy. We will be announcing our new head students in due course.

Upcoming Events

Monday 19th September – Bank Holiday

In light of the passing of Her Majesty the Queen, as a mark of respect, school will be closed to both staff and students on Monday. We wish to convey our deepest sympathy and heartfelt condolences to the Royal Family.

Tuesday 20th September - Working Together Coffee Morning

Our Coffee mornings this year provide an opportunity for parents/carers to meet with the leadership team should they wish to find out a little more about the school. We start on Tuesday with Miss Hanquinioux, Deputy Headteacher, who will be discussing, and open to questions regarding the KS3 (Year 7, 8 and 9) curriculum journey. This is a drop-in session between 9-10am. If you wish to join us, simply meet in reception at 9am.

Wednesday 21st September - Year 11 Working Together Evening

Our Year 11 Study Skills Evening takes place on Wednesday 21st September, 5:30 – 7:00pm. Year 11 have made a fantastic start to the year; we are thrilled with the maturity they are displaying. This evening will help parents/carers understand the journey, how you can support over the next 12 months, give practical revision strategies, and although we are still awaiting confirmation, hopefully an opportunity for you to speak to some post-16 providers that have accepted our invitation to join us for the evening. Activities will be on a carousel to ensure we maximise learning for all. This event was incredibly successful last year, so we hope to see as many families as possible.

Thursday 22 September - School Photographs

The school photographer will be in school to take photographs of all students on Thursday. Students will be provided with a sample of the photograph and a QR code should you wish to purchase the photographs.

Community Collaboration

The School Nursing Service number has recently changed to a single point of contact. For all queries parents/carers now need to contact the number as shown on the attached poster.

NHS
Rotherham Doncaster
and South Humber
NHS Foundation Trust

School Nursing Service
SINGLE POINT OF CONTACT

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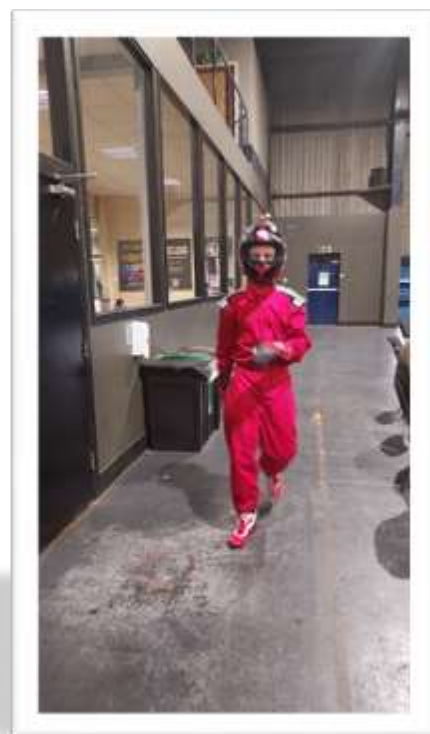
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Sharing the Success of our Students Displaying our Values Beyond School



Well done,
Charlie!



Charlie R, in Year 10, has qualified for British Indoor Karting Championships) through a series of timed laps across the summer.

Many people tried to qualify at this local track and Charlie secured his place. The event took place at Charlie's local track at Team Sport in Leeds. It was a practice session with two teams of 12 on track, group A and group B. Group A was the 12 fastest competitors from the times set in summer. Group B were the slower half of the remaining 12 competitors. In the group B practice session, Charlie placed 3rd and then in group B qualifying Charlie placed 1st. This led to the final qualifying race ...

It didn't start very well as Charlie had a massive crash at the start resulting in him being sent sideways and rolling out of the kart. His Mum understandably rushed across the track extremely concerned. Organisers were going to pull him out of the race, but despite having a bad neck and a leg which was bleeding Charlie was determined to continue. He fought his way up the field and finished 5th, which secured him a spot in the Regional Finals to be held in Coventry on Saturday 15th October. Only 6 of the 24 were able to qualify and Charlie was one of them. A great show of resilience and ambition from Charlie. Well done Charlie, we are proud of you!

We love hearing about what our students are enjoying and thriving in beyond the school gates. Should you wish to share any success stories, please contact Mrs Robbins.

Have a restful and enjoyable weekend. We look forward to seeing all students bright and early on Tuesday morning.

Kind regards

Claire Robbins
Executive Headteacher