

# Newsletter 16: 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2023

# Working Together to Improve Standards and Share Success

# **News from this Week**

# **Sporting Success**

Our girls' cricket team were chosen to represent Doncaster at a regional event held at the UK Institute of Sport in Sheffield this week. Miss Rusby and the girls had a fantastic day! Some of the highlights were Kaylee F taking a wicket with her first bowl, Freya M leading the girls as a brilliant captain, Tia A catching a blinder and Heidi B excelling as wicket keeper. Well done to all the girls involved who were an absolute credit to the school. Whilst at the UKIS, the group also had a tour of the world class facilities. The girls were definitely inspired! On the coach on the way home they were discussing qualifying again next year to go one step further and win it!



The table tennis team this week were victorious against Hall Cross winning the latest round of games 4-0. Following a fantastic series of results the team have now qualified for finals' day. Well done boys!

#### Year 11 motivational sessions

George Fouche's sessions this week discussed the statement "success is not looking for you". He was working with the groups on self-confidence, both internal and external factors. The students responded well and took great pride in the fact George had a list of names, from teaching staff, of students who had worked harder in their lessons and intervention activities this week. Hopefully, our Year 11 students will take George's words into next week.



# Stunning Art Work!

Year 10 have started a new topic on 'Identity' this week. I wanted to take the opportunity to share some of the fabulous work produced with you. The students have been working with pen cross-hatching – not an easy skill!

Meanwhile, Year 9 have started an 'Illustration' project. Plenty of excited students inspired by the work of Tim Burton this week.



# The Week Ahead ...

# **Personal Development**

Next week sees the second appointment schedule for our Year 11 students to have CIAG with colleagues from Doncaster Chamber. The feedback from the Chamber and our students was that valuable discussions took place around post 16 routes, we hope this continues for the students being seen on Wednesday. A schedule will be displayed in the main canteen on Monday.

EPIC, a team from Doncaster Children's Services, are coming into school on Thursday to deliver presentations to students in Years 7, 8 and 9 about anti-social behaviour, crime and consequence.

#### **Annual Community Engagement Survey**

At Consilium Academies we are deeply committed to serving our communities, this is reflected in an integral part of our mission statement which is, 'a dedication to do all we can for the communities we serve.' On Monday, we launch the Consilium Community Engagement Survey. The purpose of the survey is to allow you to have a voice, allowing you to help guide Consilium Academies into knowing what we should do better, and what should be our priorities for the future. Our Parent community is an important and valuable part of our Consilium family, and so it is vital to us that you should be given the opportunity to tell us your thoughts. The survey should take no longer than ten minutes, and one lucky parent will receive a £100 Amazon gift voucher taking part.

You can complete the survey using the following link: <a href="https://forms.office.com/e/zJy2a7HF7u">https://forms.office.com/e/zJy2a7HF7u</a>. The deadline for completion is Friday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2023. A link will be attached weekly to the newsletter over the next few weeks and for convenience a text message will also be sent.

We look forward to receiving your responses and hearing your thoughts.

# Industrial Action – 1<sup>st</sup> February

As you may be aware, members of the National Education Union (NEU) have voted in favour of industrial action. While we are still waiting for details on what this strike action will look like, I wanted to reassure you that we will do everything we can to make sure we can stay open for pupils who most need it. We are currently hard at work to ensure we can continue to offer the education we pride ourselves upon despite these challenges.

Initial plans indicate the school will remain open to students in Years 11, 10 and 7, as well as for vulnerable students. For those students who do have to remain at home, we will provide online learning through our well-established remote education provision. We will provide more information on what this will look like as soon as we are able.

We understand there will be concerns about the disruption, but I would like to reiterate that we will do everything in our power to ensure your child's education does not suffer as a result of this industrial action. I will be in touch as soon as possible with more information on our plans.

# Year 11 Parents' Evening

Just a reminder Parents Evening will be taking place on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2023.

Kind regards

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