

Head of School Introduction



Dear Parent / Carer

The last of our formal NICE days for this academic year on Friday 27th April may have been our busiest yet with students engaged in a whole range of activities from the GCSE River Study to Army and RAF Careers sessions, mindfulness & resilience and autism awareness to the whole year group trip to Bradford's Science and Media Museum for Year 8.

With sessions delivered by a wide range of guests as well as our own staff, we continue to explore themes relating to diversity & equality, careers & the environment in our NICE days.

Thank you to Mrs Cawley Johnson for leading the organisation of NICE days this year and for inviting so many inspirational and interesting speakers into school.

Kath Jordan, Head of School

Wheels and Weaving

Year 11 students Alex Smith, Adam Brown, Leon Milner, Bradley Ramsden, Ellie Wain, Lukas Haneskog, Callum Shuttleworth and Dan Swires have had opportunity to exhibit their creative talent at the Wheels and Weaving Exhibition at No. 6 Studio Gallery in Pateley Bridge this week.

Students, parents and staff attended the Preview Evening on Tuesday 24th April. A variety of metal work, ceramics and prints made by the students for their AQA GCSE Art, Craft and Design qualification were on display in No. 6 Studio Gallery all week.

We are proud of the talent and dedication our students have shown during this project and would like to congratulate them on their achievements. Thank you to Bidy and her team at No.6, Nidderdale Visual Arts and Upper Nidderdale Landscape Partnership - funded by the Heritage Lottery Fund for another successful year in partnership with Nidderdale High School.



Forthcoming events

30 April – Full Govs meeting 6pm
3-6 May – Tour de Yorkshire
7 May – May Bank Holiday School closed
8 May – Y11 Amended timetable begins
9 May – 3.15 p.m. PTFA meeting
11 May – Year 5 – 8 Bingo 6pm
14 May – 15 June GCSE Examinations
14 May – Full Govs meeting 6pm
28 May – 1 June – Bank holiday/half term

KS3 Reports KS3 Reports have been sent by email. Any queries about this please contact Mrs Murgatoryd.

Growing Up in North Yorkshire survey

Nidderdale High School took part in the Growing Up in North Yorkshire Survey in 2016. Year 8 and Year 10 students will be participating again in this year's survey by filling in questionnaires.

The survey has been commissioned by the North Yorkshire Children and Young People's Service (CYPS) to collect reliable information about young people's learning and wellbeing.

The survey is optional and parents can opt their child out if necessary. If any parents would like to look at the type of questions being asked, a copy of the questionnaire is available in Reception.

New Cycling Club

Mr Coad runs a new cycling club after school on Mondays. This week saw the students setting up their own Cyclo-Cross course and getting timed riding it. What a great way of challenging and improve cycling skills whilst having fun. We would like other students to join us every Monday straight after school until 4:45pm (just bring your bike and helmet).



GoWise Online

Sarah Lynch from [Go Wise Online](#) gave a presentation regarding social media safety and awareness to Year 8 students on 25th April.

A further presentation was held for parents on 26th April. Sarah informed parents they do not have to be technical with media and computers to support their children online. Having an understanding of the digital world and the possible risks children may face will help to keep your child safe online. The presentation covered:

- a. Social Media
- b. Maintaining Social Media decorum
- c. How to manage digital devices and social media security controls
- d. How your child's Digital Footprint may affect their future opportunities
- e. Parental Controls from the internet to gaming
- f. Who are their friends online?
- g. Online Bullying and the law
- h. Web browsing safely
- i. Child friendly search engines
- j. Sexting and nude selfies
- k. Grooming Online
- l. Help available.

Nidd Junior Triathlon



Nearly 100 children took part in the third annual junior triathlon staged at the school and leisure centre last weekend. Organised to raise funds for Pateley Bridge Cricket Club, the race has a unique format to enable younger children to take part, with no time taken for changing from one event to the next. Instead children aged from seven to 16 swim for four minutes, cycle for 10 minutes and run for five minutes, with points given for each performance leading to an overall winner in each group. Many Nidderdale High School pupils participated, with Thomas Howard in Year 7 coming second in the 9-11 age category. Well done Thomas!

Student news

Calvin is pictured on location in East London filming recently for 'Good Dog' where he plays the part of Desmond, a menace. Despite early starts and cold weather, Calvin really enjoyed his experience filming. 'Good Dog' is a multicultural, urban play that will be touring in 2019.



Congratulations to Isaac Light who was successful at the North Yorkshire U13 cricket trial and has been selected for the team.

Message from Mr Coad: There are still 8 spare tickets for the Yorkshire Vikings T20 cricket match against Durham Jets at Emirates Riverside Stadium in Durham on Friday 13th July. The trip costs £10 (covers transport and ticket). Please contact the school office if your child wishes to attend. (Year 6 and above.)

Nidderlicious

The full menu showing all options for next week is on the school website or [click here](#). Our next theme is National Vegetarian Week 14th – 20th May. We will be encouraging students to try something different.

We have welcomed Mrs Hinds and Mrs Hastings to our team.

PTFA News

Don't forget to reserve your tickets for Years 5 to 8 family bingo on 11th May. See more information on the flyer – [click here](#).

