

Dear Parent / Carer

One area of focus for us this year has been 'rising to the challenge' and resilience. Over the past couple of months Nidderdale High School students have really demonstrated these qualities brilliantly. As a staff team, we have been really impressed with the way students in all year groups have risen to the challenge of moving around the exam hall respectfully. It is really quite difficult to get anywhere downstairs without passing the exam hall and students' efforts to keep quiet have been very much appreciated. On several occasions the whole school exited the building in complete silence as exams went beyond the end of the school day.

This week students in all year groups have shown resilience in maintaining their focus in very hot classrooms and some year groups have also risen to the challenge of completing exams in this heat.

This week students in Year 9 and Year 10 have been rising to new challenges as they have completed taster days for their new courses. One group starting the new outdoor learning course and the other group starting their GCSE Art at Number 6. We are enormously proud of our partnership with nva, which enables our young people to work directly with local crafts professionals. Please follow the link in the article below to watch a short film about Number 6 and watch out for more details of the exhibition of our students' work at Bradford Industrial Museum 'Gallery in the Mill'.

Kath Jordan
Headteacher

Nva No. 6 Workshops, King Street, Pateley

Number 6 Studio Gallery provides classes, workshops and exhibitions of visual art serving both the local community and professional artists. No.6 was opened in 2005 by the charity 'nidderdale_visual arts' and is run entirely by volunteers. Year 11 students past and present have attended to access GCSE Art courses with excellent results.

View Paul Harris' interesting new short film about No 6 featuring some of our students via our twitter feed (@NidderdaleS) or click <https://vimeo.com/276927241>

Photography competition – adults and students

Nidderdale Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) is running this exciting competition in conjunction with Visit Harrogate. Nidderdale AONB is a very special place – it is the perfect place for any photographer whether professional or amateur.

Entry is free and each person can submit up to five photographs of anything you like as long as they are within the AONB. There are two age categories (adults and under 16s) and there will be prizes in each category. The closing date for entries is 31 August 2018.

For full details of the competition, terms and conditions and to enter please visit the Visit Harrogate website at <https://www.visitharrogate.co.uk/information/competitions/photo-competition>

Forthcoming events

- 2 July – Number 6 Taster day
- 3 July – Sports Day
- 4 July Showcase of Drama and Music 6pm
- 5 July – Y6 Induction Day
- 6 July – School closed to students (Red Kite Day 5)
- 9 July – Y9 Trip to Romeo and Juliet, York
- 9 July – Number 6 Course, Taster Day
- 10 July – Y 7 Trip to Midsummer Night's Dream, York
- 11 July – Year 11 Prom
- 12 July – Y6 Induction Day 2 and Parents' Evening 6pm
- 13 July – Y10 Achievement Assembly
- 16 July – Y10 Work Experience week
- 20 July – Achievement Assemblies Y7,8,9
- 20 July – School closes for summer break 3.15 p.m.

'Team Nidderdale' Race for Life Club

Please sponsor us by donating to Cancer Research UK using the link below. We will run in the event on 15th July.

<https://fundraise.cancerresearchuk.org/team/team-nidderdale-1>



Drama and Music Showcase – 4th July 6pm



The drama group are working hard to present a performance of One Thousand and One Nights to an audience on 4th July. Tickets available from Reception from Monday.

Some of our musical students will also be performing accompanied by Mrs Smyth.

Try something new – softball cricket age 11+ for women and girls

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Year 6 Transition – 5th July

We look forward to Year 6's first full Transition Day on 5th July - a welcoming programme has been created and pupils will spend their day getting to know staff, their peers and the school.

Aiming Higher

Year 9 students will enjoy a second visit to university next week - our 6th this year for a taster session on Pathways to studying Law. Students will also have a tour of the university and a chance to find out about university life at University of York.

Maths Challenge

Last week, 8 students from St Cuthbert's and Coppice Primary schools visited to spend the afternoon using maths to answer some important questions. The activities were based on the work carried out by the WaterAid charity and were organised by a group of helpful Year 9 mathematicians. The visiting students worked out how much water they use in a day. By timing themselves carrying buckets of water, they then calculated how long it would take them if they had to walk 3km each way to collect their water. Finally, the students looked at how probability could be used to find a good fund-raising activity to help the charity. Thanks to the Year 9 students for their help.

Pop-Up Rose Theatre Trip

Thank you to our Year 7 and 9 students who have booked their place on our trips to Midsummer Night's Dream and Romeo and Juliet at the Pop-up Rose Theatre in York. The school have secured excellent seats for these two events and we look forward to also experiencing the Elizabethan entertainment in the theatre grounds!



T20 Cricket Trip – 13th July

There are only three spaces left on the T20 Cricket trip to Durham on 13th July. The full cost is £10 per ticket. Please see Mr Coad to reserve a place.



Nidderlicious American Themed Day – 4th July



Hot meal deals @£2.50 w/c 2nd July:

- Monday:** Chicken Pie and Vegetables, Choc Chip Rock Bun
Tuesday: Lamb and Tomato Pasta Bake, Melon slice
Wednesday: American Theme Day Burger in a Bun, Apple pie & Ice cream
Thursday: Homemade Pizza, Flapjack
Friday: School closed to students

The full menu is always available on the school website.

Senior Student Applications

Recruitment for the Senior Students 2018/19 is now underway. Students have been informed of the criteria and deadlines.

Key qualities:

- Proud to represent Nidderdale High School
- Committed and Motivated
- A team Player
- Well organised and enthusiastic

Senior Student Focus:

Fundraising: supporting charities
Academic: Student Voice, NICE days, Eco Schools, work with specific AoL
Pastoral: Corridor prefects, bus monitors, anti-bullying ambassadors

Next steps: Completed application forms to Mrs Ashton KS4 Learning Manager by 6th July and interviews with Headteacher w/c 9th July.

