

Head's Introduction

Dear Parent / Carer

It is Open Evening season again and we were delighted to welcome so many visitors to school last night to showcase what Nidderdale High School has to offer. As ever so many of our current students were keen to be part of the evening, giving guided tours, answering questions and demonstrating a range of activities across all subjects to give a flavour of the fantastic education we offer.

Joe Webb and Hannah Reinsch, our Head Boy and Head Girl had their first formal opportunity to represent the school by talking about what Nidderdale means to them. I think it is fair to say that, alongside Carmen Ronda Perez (Year 7) and Matthew Edwards (Year 8), their speeches were the highlight of the evening for many existing and prospective members of Team Nidderdale.

Whilst we are always looking forward to welcoming new students, we have also made time to focus in on our existing students. By the end of today, Mrs Ashton and I will have held individual meetings with every student in Year 11 to reflect on their Year 10 experience and to plan together for a successful final year. We have been so impressed by students' ability to reflect on and articulate their successes, areas for development and plans for the future.

Kath Jordan, Headteacher



Brilliant Because..

From time to time we ask students to reflect on what's brilliant about being part of Team Nidderdale. This is what Year 7 and 8 have to say about the school and about each other:

- Nidderdale High School you are brilliant because you are teaching us to be better people.
- Nidderdale High School you are brilliant because all the teachers are kind and make lessons fun. Everybody makes you feel welcome.
- Nidderdale High School you are brilliant because you have the best lessons, there are friendly staff and students and you make people happy.
- You are brilliant because you always have a smile on your face. You are a great friend.
- You are brilliant because you work hard and always outstanding in class. You are a valuable member of Team Nidd.
- You are brilliant because you're polite caring and kind to other people. You set a great example and help anyone without being asked.

Forthcoming events

- 24 September – School Closed – Nidderdale Show
- 28 September – MacMillan Coffee Morning in school 9.30 – 10.30 a.m.
- 10 October – Open Morning 9.15 a.m. (by appointment for Y6 families)
- 11 October – Y7 Pastoral Evening

Student Achievement



Page was the winner of the 'Peter Hall Cup' for the points series at a Showjumping Competition that runs over 4 months. Well done!

Trip out – LE

On Tuesday 11th September Mrs Eglin accompanied a group of students who are studying GCSE in Art, Craft and Design at NO6 Gallery in Pateley Bridge to Cliffe Castle in Keighley.

This visit allowed them to gain inspiration and ideas from exhibits there. Their tutors, Bidy Noakes and Michelle Pilkington from Number 6 arranged a workshop for them to attend. The students were invited to guild with leaf gold. This was a fabulous opportunity for our students and at the end of the year their work will be on display for us to view at a Number 6 exhibition.



New whole school extra-curricular timetable

[Click here](#) to see the latest extra curricular timetable. See the wide range of opportunities on offer.

New PE extra curricular timetable

[Click here](#) to see the latest extra curricular PE timetable – try to get involved in something new and different.

Library News

Thursday 13th September was Roald Dahl Day. To celebrate the birthdate of one of our favourite authors, 9 golden tickets were hidden around the school. Once found, they could be taken to the Library and exchanged for Wonka bars! In spite of Miss Lester's best efforts to find fiendishly cunning hiding places for the tickets, all 9 were quickly found by sharp eyed students.

Our winners were Emma Hardcastle & Ella Dunn (Y7), Amy Grainger (Y8), Joshua Bailey (Y8), Freyja Thompson (Y7), Nadine Peel (Y8), Jake Gray (Y9), Nathan Ross (Y11), Milly Hobson (Y8) and Reuben Thompson (Y9). Well done to all!



Nidderlicious Hot meal deals @£2.50 w/c 24 Sept:

Monday: Nidderdale Show.
Tuesday: Pork & Apple burger in a bun, Carrot cake
Wednesday: French themed day: Coq au Vin and Tarte Tatin.
Thursday: Homemade Pizza, Choc Crispie
Friday: Chicken Tikka Masala, fruit muffin

The full menu is always available on the school website and [here](#).

Next themed day is Italian day on 9th October.



PTFA News

The PTA will be holding an Annual General Meeting soon – watch out for the date and join us.

We were successful in raising £350 for funds at the Triathlon café. The next PTFA event is to run the Cyclocross café on 28 October. Please note in your diary to bake or help on the day if you can.

MacMillan Coffee Morning – 28 September

Just a reminder we are holding a coffee morning on Friday 28th to raise funds for MacMillan. If you would like to attend, the event will be open from 9.30 to 10.30 for visitors.

