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### The Royal Agricultural Benevolent Institution

Sally Conner, North East Regional Manager of the RABI charity came to meet students this week to raise awareness of the RABI and thank us for the charity work and fundraising we have completed - £568 raised so far.

RABI want everyone in the farming community to know that they are here to help. Further information can be found on the RABI website:

How we help - Support for Farming People - RABI

Any students from our farming community needing advice or support please see Mrs Ashton in KS4 Pastoral Office.

### Headteacher's Introduction

Dear Parent / Carer

So far, the Summer Term has shown many signs of a return to 'pre-Covid business as usual'. We have been able to hold far more assemblies and have been able to invite visitors in to speak with our students. Sally Conner from RABI delivered an assembly to Year 9 students and met with some of our Year 10 students to thank the school for our fundraising efforts.

We have also welcomed PCSO Phil Wright into school to talk with all of our students about the hugely important topics of exploitation, cyber bullying and vaping. The information Phil has shared with our community is so important in helping our young people to keep themselves and others safe. His visit has generated lots of really important and helpful discussion. Parents and Carers, please read the additional information from PCSO Wright which is attached with this newsletter so that you feel more informed about how to keep those in your care safe.

Our Year 11 students are also experiencing the full 'business as usual' experience as GCSE and BTEC exams return this year. Students have shown determination and focus as this has started with GCSE French and German speaking exams and the BTEC exam sessions. The full programme of written exams begins on Monday 16th May. Thank you to all staff providing additional study and revision opportunities and very best wishes to students in their final preparations.

As well as the return to exams, Year 11 do also have the return of Prom to look forward to. Their fund raising efforts to provide some little extras for the Ripley Castle event were well boosted by the return of the staff vs students netball and football including a special guest appearance from Mr Hawkins!

Kath Jordan, Headteacher



### **NiddVenture**

There is a huge amount of positive Niddventure news to report from the last fortnight...

Firstly, before Easter we said farewell to Ken Hainsworth who has very kindly & voluntarily helped me coach Wednesday after school badminton club. The students who regularly attend the club have massively benefited from his expertise, patience and enthusiasm for coaching young people. Ken was especially impressed with the girls who have attended this club every single week since September. They have made great progress and I know Ken would be keen to see them join the local team next season. Thank you Ken from us all and we really hope you can join us again when we resume badminton club in the winter months.

We have run two more succesful maths days in Fishpond Wood based on bearings and use of a compass to follow a set course, started working with an extremely enthusiastic group of Yr 4 & 5s from Glasshouses Primary School and an equally enthusiastic group of Yr 8 girls for Flourish. The respect, motivation & kindness these girls showed on their first Outdoor Adventure Flourish should mean we can have some great adventures in our future sessions.

Yr 10 Outdoor Education are continuing to develop their climbing skills and we introduced the use of rock climbing shoes in our last session. Tyler Smith deserves a special mention for his determination to succeed and huge improvement in climbing skill as a result of his continual positive attitude & focus.

Finally, a big thank you to Lucy Ward from Yr 11 for brightening the day of so many elderly people by bringing your precious puppy on our prescription delivery rounds!





Miss Tuffs



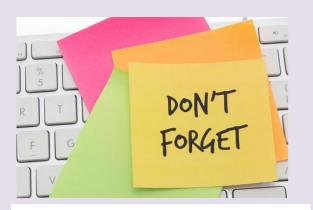
### **Sporting Success**

Congratulations to Herbie Gaston and Harrogate Raptors, the overall winners of the Rugby Youth Festival 2022.

Games were played at Lisbon University Stadium on Saturday 9th April and Sunday 10th April.

They faced Cwmbran in the final match and were the winners. Final score was Harrogate 12 – Cwmbran 7.





# **Term Time Reminders**

30 May to 3 June – Half Term Break including Queen's Platinum Bank Holiday

1 July – School closed to students – Staff Red Kite Training Day

22 July **2.15 p.m.** School closes for Summer break.

Year 11 Prom Plans are underway for Year 11's Prom event.

Searching for a Prom dress? Try Ripon Revivals, New and Pre Loved Clothing and Accessories / Pre-loved Boutique @ 6 Kirkgate, Ripon, HG4 1PA.

## Staff v Students Sports Fundraiser

The annual staff v student football and netball fundraiser returned last week after a two year absence. £65 was raised. The staff were victorious in the netball winning 12-3. The football ended 7-7 after a late student charge and a catalogue of staff errors.

We look forward to next year's staff v student fundraiser with our current year 10 students and we look forward to competing with them in ultimate frisbee too!

Well done to all staff and students who took part.

Mr Barrass



### Nidderlicious News

Regrettably, owing to rising costs in provisions and supplies, we have now had to raise the cost of the meal deal from £2.50 (held at this price for several years) to £2.75.

Next week's menu is available on the school website or <u>click here</u> to view.

**Mrs Naylor** 

