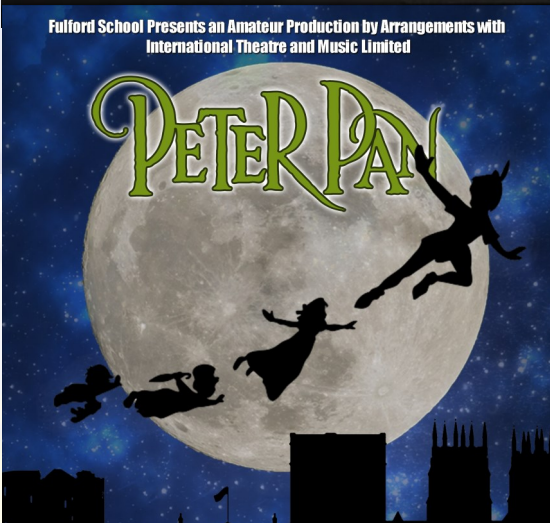


# FULFORD SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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## FULFORD SCHOOL'S PETER PAN

# Headteacher's Welcome

Mr S Lewis



Despite being a short month, February has been packed full of events. As I write this, Y11 are sitting the second set of mock exams and are showing great ambition and resilience. Well done, Y11.

Just before half term, the school put on a fabulous whole school production of 'Peter Pan'. If you were lucky enough to see the show, you would have been overwhelmed by the excellent performances from Peter Pan (Emma Richardson), Wendy (Edie Carter) and Hook (Anna Spencer) as well as the superb delivery by the rest of the cast. The crocodile in particular deserves a mention as it enthralled all. It was also impressive to see the adaptations to the script made by the students, namely the Climate Protesters, who working alongside one of our parents (Dr Narayanaswamy) not only modernised the text and songs by challenging the cultural stereotypes but also made it current and highly entertaining. Also impressive was the orchestra and the back stage crew, without who the show could not have been a success. I would like to thank Mrs Windrum in particular for all her hard work on the show, her direction and vision for the play. In addition, I would like to thank Miss Durham and Mr Mellors for their musical direction and the numerous staff from across the whole school who helped with the set design, costumes and choreography. We are now eagerly anticipating the announcement of the next school performance.

Over half term, led by Ms Booth, and in collaboration with Huntington School, Y12 and 13 History and Politics students visited Washington to broaden their cultural horizons. In addition, Y13 students flew to Krakow as part of their Psychology trip organised by Ms Zeki, visiting Auschwitz, Schindler's museum and meeting a Holocaust survivor. I would like to thank all staff involved for their help in organising the trips and the time they gave up over half term to make these trips happen.

Finally, as we come to the end of the winter season, I would like to highlight that any information on disruption to the school day due to adverse weather will be communicated via text, the school website and Minister FM and Radio York.



# Headteacher's Welcome

Mr S Lewis



We are very proud to announce that Joe Ward (Y12) has been elected as member of the York Youth Council. Below is his article detailing the his new role and how he managed to secure this position.



Hello, my name is Joseph Ward. I am a Fulford student in Y12 and, before half term began, I was lucky enough to be elected to the position of Member of the Youth Parliament for the City of York. This is an exciting role, and deeply valuable to the strength of our local and national democracy. It involves being the local representative and voice, on the national stage, for the youth of our fantastic city.

As an MYP, my job is to lobby for the issues that young people care about; local, national, and even global. My job is to represent the voices of the pupils and students across the city, and make those voices heard, not only in the York Council and local government, but also on the national parliamentary stage in the House of Commons.

To be elected, I had to first apply to become a local Youth Councillor, and then muster up the bravery to put myself forward for the annual MYP elections. I had to give a speech to both local Councillors and Youth Councillors, as to why I thought that they should vote for me.



Now, having won the election, my goal is to work with the Youth Council and local government to make our beautiful city a better place for the young people lucky enough to live here. I want to work with the other MYPs from up and down the country to build a future for the United Kingdom that young people can look forward to. And finally, as an MYP, I want to work with our national government to campaign and lobby for policy that may one day change the world. So, with all this in mind, this is where the work begins.

# Key Stage 3

Mr J Bonsels

February has been a month of opportunities and success for Key Stage 3. The Y7 girls' football team continued their fine form by reaching the fifth round of the PlayStation Cup. They had a superb 1-0 win against South Hunsley School in a thrilling match where the girls demonstrated skill and determination.

Furthermore, a team of four Y8 boys represented the school in the next round of the National Schools Badminton Competition at York Railway Institute. Having qualified as winners of the regional round they competed against schools from North Yorkshire. The competition was tough, especially as most of the other teams had players from Y9 but the Fulford boys played without fear and had a great experience.



Over the last few weeks, many Y7 students have been taking part in the Bikeability scheme to gain their Level 3 qualification. Qualified instructors from the council have led the training designed to allow students to ride their bike safely on the road. In small groups, students—dressed in helmets and high visibility vests—have been manoeuvring the roads and the different hazards. Well done for all students who have put themselves forward for this venture.



## STUDENT OF THE MONTH

**Lily Morton:** "Superb effort in Spanish"

**Gabriel Suthers:** "For helpful and considerate behaviour"

# Key Stage 4

Mr M Carson

February has been a brilliant month for KS4 students at Fulford School. Mr Harris delivered rewards assemblies, and the atmosphere in them was electric as the students found out who was nominated for the various awards and who won the prizes. You could hear a pin drop as Mr Harris read the names out!

Rewarding positive contributions is important to our values and there are many ways we do this. Nominations for student of the month keep rolling in from all members of staff, with 173 nominations in February! Furthermore, ClassCharts is straining under the pressure of the positive comments and with lots of nominations for the HEART awards. Well done KS4.

Y11 are working really hard at the moment, keeping positive and being resilient during their second set of mock exams. They are putting into practice skills learnt in February on the study skills day when they focussed on revision skills, healthy eating, stress management, preparing for GCSEs. On this day they even got the chance to meet the school's exam invigilators! These sessions were followed by their final Progress Reviews, where they had the chance to sit with parents and carers to discuss with their form tutors the final run up to their GCSE exams. In the evening a large number of parents attended the work shop on study skills.



Both Y9 and 10 received their mid-year reports and took part in the consultation on uniform. It's been brilliant to see and hear students so passionate about the future of their school.

## STUDENT OF THE MONTH

**James Cook** "Contribution to the Geography Quiz Team " Miss Brady

**Olivia Hunt** "Excellent work on your Lady Macbeth monologue and duologue for your exam" Miss Greene

# Key Stage 5

Mrs K Jenner

Our Y12 students have had a very productive time over recent weeks. They continue to use Unifrog, our brilliant new careers and progression resource. They have also all had Progress Review meetings with their Form Tutors or members of the sixth form leadership team, reflecting upon their reports, celebrating the positive and setting SMART targets in areas they need to develop. Both Y12 and 13 are now stepping up their revision for the final exams, with only 10 school weeks to go for Y13!

Our students continue to do their bit for the whole school community. Many of them are Literacy and Numeracy Leaders, supporting our lower school students to develop confidence in these areas. They are also helping in lower school classes across the curriculum, providing invaluable support to the learning in lessons. The literacy leaders are currently organising events for World Book Day next week.

Students have also had many chances to broaden their horizons. Y12 and 13 went on a joint Politics and History trip to Washington DC with Huntington School. They had four full days, visiting Capitol, The Supreme Court, the Archives, the Library of Congress, Arlington Cemetery, and the Smithsonian museums—as well as seeing Georgetown University and experiencing a football game in the new XFL, only the 2<sup>nd</sup> game played by DC Defenders in this new League.



In addition, twenty Y13 students also enjoyed five beautiful sunny days in Krakow, Poland. The trip took students to the UNESCO old Jewish quarter and the ghetto from WWII as well as a visit to Oscar Schindler's factory, taking a sneak peek at some of the film sets used in the film of the same name. Students also visited Auschwitz Birkenau and meet a survivor from the Holocaust. The students and teachers found this a deeply moving experience – as one student said “it puts your own stuff into perspective”.



# House Update

Miss F Chapman

Mr S Lacy

Mr S Copeland

Mr P Gatenby



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Many forms have had 100% attendance this month and there have been joint winners each week. Well done to everyone in making form attendance a success. We have so many fabulous students across all four Houses who are working well and gaining large amounts of positive Class Charts Awards. Well done to the top ten for the last half-term:

**Apollo:** Kinder-Palmer Riley, Murray Matthew, Jeffery Elsie, Zhao Selina, Van Kalsbeek-Baxter Eva, Naish Joe, Hudson Evie, Kent Francesca, Harris Ellie, Gallagher Ben

**Artemis:** Hunter Beth, Wright Oliver, Mawer Amber, Shaw Kiri, Taylor Ella, Jackson Oliver, Wells Erin, Hind Thomas, Pipes Joshua, Lees Emma, Block Emily, Ungar Reka

**Athena:** Hutchinson Chloe, Webster-Barker Evan, Rowson Ellie, Aldakheel Hanouf, Holmes Fin, Roper Ben, Bassi Alex, Reep Jack, Copeland Jack, Stonehouse Lana, Ludlow Niamh

**Atlas:** Hobson Emily, Hunt Emma, Price Billy, Taylor Daisy, Oh Kevin, Shaw Ruby, Gilmore Emma, Welsh Hester, Clark Georgia, Dwyer Isobel

## KEY DATES

Key Stage 3	Key Stage 4	Key Stage 5
29th Feb: U13 netball	28th Feb: Y9 reports	6th March: Y13 reports
7th March: U12 netball	24th Feb– 3rd March: Y11 mocks	17th March: Y12 parents' evening
26th March: Y7H parents' evening	4th March: Y10 parents' evening	27th March: Y13 Geog field trip
30th March: Y7E parents' evening	9th March: Y9 Progress Review	
	12th and 13th March: Y11 Geog field trip	
General		
9th March: Y9 Progress Review (school closes at 1.10pm)		
24th March: Training afternoon (school closes at 1.10pm)		

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