



Fulford School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this letter finds you well. It has been wonderful to see the students return from the Christmas break and hear the lovely stories of how they spent their time. It was a pleasure to see them return successfully and engage immediately in school life again. We have a short but busy half term so wanted to highlight some of the key dates in the diary for the coming weeks:

- Year 9 Information Evening: Wednesday 17th January
- Year 11 Parents' Evening: Wednesday 24th January
- Year 9 Parents' Evening: Thursday 1st February (E Half) and Monday 5th February (H half)
- Year 11 Revision Skills Evening: Tuesday 6th February
- School production - Oliver: 7th, 8th and 9th February – tickets will be on sale shortly

The full calendar for this academic year is available on our website: [Calendar - Fulford School](#)

Parent Information Evenings

In my letter last week, I outlined two information evenings I am holding in school to enhance the link between home and school. Thank you to everyone that has signed up and given comments. The evenings will take place Monday 29th and Tuesday 30th January at 6pm. You can sign up for the evening using the link: [Information Evening Booking Form](#)

Leading Parent Partnership Award

As part of the drive to enhance the link between parents and school we are embarking on the 'Leading Parent Partnership Award.' To start the award, staff in school are completing a self-evaluation of our perspective on current provision. To look at this through a parent carer lens, I would like to ask all families to complete this [questionnaire](#) (which should only take 2-3 minutes).

Safeguarding

We are committed to working together to safeguard all children. The safeguarding of our students is central to everything that we do as a school. Should you have a concern about the welfare of a young person, you can access support through our specialist pastoral staff at school. Our aim is to ensure that all necessary support is available to our students and families.

Mrs Tanya Elsworth is the new Designated Safeguarding Lead for the school who works closely with our School Social worker and Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead Miss Jen Tomlinson. Both members of these staff are available via email or through the usual school phone number:

- **Mrs Elsworth** 01904 633300, or elswortht@fulford.york.sch.uk
- **Miss Tomlinson** 01904 633300, or tomlinsonj@fulford.york.sch.uk

3G Artificial Grass Pitch Consultation

Fulford School in partnership with a number of local football clubs, City of York Council and the Football Foundation, are looking to develop a new 3G Artificial Grass Pitch on the school grounds. It is a very exciting prospect and will enhance the facilities for students at school and also for the local community.

I will be sending a letter out about the proposal tomorrow and it will outline the consultation process that will now take place.

Use of School Car Park

There has been an increasing number of parents and carers who are driving into the main car park. This is causing some safety issues at the start and end of the school day. We have a large number of school buses and taxis that need safe access to school and therefore in the interest of safety other vehicles should not use the car park until after 3.30 pm.

If there is a physical need for students or parents to park/drop off on school site, please contact your child's Head of Year. Thank you, in advance, for working with us to create a culture where children's safety is our priority.

Thank you for your continued support. Please do get in touch if there is any aspect of our provision that you would like to discuss: headteacher@fulford.york.sch.uk

Kind regards,



Russell Harris
Headteacher