



# THE FULFORD UPDATE

w/c 9th FEBRUARY 2026



## Headteachers Message

As we pass the halfway point of the school year, it's been fantastic to see students working so well and making the most of the many opportunities on offer; I encourage everyone to keep engaging, keep challenging themselves, and continue taking advantage of all that's available.

This week we also look forward to the school show, and I want to offer a huge well done to everyone involved - your hard work and creativity are clear to see; it would be wonderful to have as many people as possible come along to support the performances.

## Spotlight on....

Alongside our school's curriculum and extra-curricular activities, we are keen to provide children and their families with wider opportunities for learning.

In this update I would like to highlight a few of these opportunities:

- ◇ We are looking forwards to welcoming [Professor Avtar Matharu](#) to speak to us about reimagining materials on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> Feb.. This is the latest in our series of community talks where we invite families to join us and learn from experts on a range of important themes.
- ◇ We are building on our partnership with [King's College Cambridge](#), building on our Year 7 residential to include another stay for Year 12 students.  
On the last Friday of half term a colleague from King's will speak to Year 7 students in assembly and then provide workshops for year 11 and 12 students.
- ◇ Around 20 members of the Fulford community have volunteered to visit school and provide talks for our Medical Society and STEM club. Student's are sure to benefit from their generosity, experiences and expertise.

At the end of each Update, we share links to various local opportunities. Please click the links and investigate.

For example there is an interesting talk entitled '[Samurai](#)' that will be delivered by Prof. Oleg Benesh over half term. I know a number of our students are fascinated by Japanese culture and will find this talk interesting!

## Sporting Update



We have had a very successful half term in the PE Department!

Year 7 Boys - Through to County Cup Final

Year 11 Boys - Through to County Cup Quarter Finals

Year 9 Boys - Through to County Cup Semi Finals

U13 Girls - Through to County Cup Semi Finals

U19 Girls - Through to County Cup Final

U16 Girls - Through to County Cup Quarter Finals

U14 Girls - Through to County Cup Quarter Finals

## Assembly Themes

Week commencing	Live Assembly	Streamed Assembly
9th February	Head of Year: Celebration	Deputy Head: Online Safety

## Forthcoming Key Dates

Date	Event	Year Group
Wednesday 11th to Friday 13th February	School Production - Mary Poppins	All Year Groups
Friday 13th February	Students break up for half term - 3.20pm	All Year Groups
Friday 13th to Wednesday 18th February	History trip to Washington	Sixth Form
Monday 23rd February	School re-opens for all students	All Year Groups
Wednesday 25th February	Year 10 Parents Evening	Year 10
Tuesday 3rd March	Sheffield Science Trip	Year 10
w/c 9th March & 16th March	Year 12 Exams	Year 12
Friday 20th March	Comic Relief - Red Nose Day	All Year Groups
w/c 23rd March	Science Week	All Year Groups
Wednesday 25th March	Year 11 Exam Information Evening	Year 11
Thursday 26th March	Students break up for Easter holidays - 3.20pm	All Year Groups
Thursday 26th March	Geography Trip to Iceland	Year 13
Thursday 26th March	History Trip to Normandy	Year 9
Friday 27th March	INSET DAY - School closed to students	All Year Groups
Friday 27th March	Alton Towers Rewards Trip	Year 11
Friday 27th March	Football Trip to Spain	Year 9
Monday 13th April	School re-opens for all students	All Year Groups

## Wider Learning Opportunities

Public lectures at York University	<a href="http://www.york.ac.uk/news-and-events/events/public-lectures/">www.york.ac.uk/news-and-events/events/public-lectures/</a>
From the Sidelines - a variety of resources aimed at helping parents better understand how children learn	<a href="http://www.fromthesidelines.uk/">www.fromthesidelines.uk/</a>
York Philosophical Society	<a href="http://www.ypsyork.org/">www.ypsyork.org/</a>
PiXL - suggested reading canon & supporting materials	<a href="https://fulford.york.sch.uk/resource-centre/">https://fulford.york.sch.uk/resource-centre/</a>
Support services for families, parents and carers	<a href="#">Support Services</a>

## Key Contacts

Department	Email Address	Reason for contact
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Sixth Form	sixthform@fulford.york.sch.uk	For enquiries relating to Sixth Form
Safeguarding	safeguarding@fulford.york.sch.uk	For any safeguarding concerns
Feedback	feedback@fulford.york.sch.uk	Feedback on any aspect of school life
AHT Community	baileys@fulford.york.sch.uk	To contact Mr Bailey
Headteacher	headteacher@fulford.york.sch.uk	To contact Mr Harris

<b>Attendance</b>
<b>26/01/26 to 06/02/26</b>
Year 7 to 11 - 94.2%
Sixth Form - 95.1%

<b>City of York Council</b>
<b>Term Dates</b>
<a href="#">Year 2025 - 26</a>
<a href="#">Year 2026 - 27</a>