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Dear Parent/Carer,

Challenge 30 is in full flow with staff taking on challenges that range from going to the gym to move 30,000kg of weight a week to reading a poem every day! It's great to hear about so many students taking part and I would like to thank all the Horsforth businesses who are supporting with prizes, donations and displaying the posters. It's all going to support Candlelighters and just a reminder if you'd like us to feature photos of your child taking part in Challenge 30 on social media or in this letter please email them to marketing@horsforthschool.org.

Challenge 30

We are nearing the end of our first week of Challenge 30 and it's been fantastic to see and hear about so many students and staff getting involved in activities to challenge themselves. A reminder that all money raised goes to Candlelighters, who are a local charity, based in Leeds, who aim to bring light and hope to families with a child going through cancer treatment, so we are thrilled to be able to support them again this year.

We have set our fundraising target at an ambitious £12,000 this year, to beat our £11,262 that we raised last year. We have been in touch with local businesses in Horsforth and lots of them are getting involved this year to support our fundraising initiative, either by donating to our JustGiving page or donating prizes for our parent/staff raffle which will be launched shortly! The businesses that are kindly supporting us are:

- Zero Muda
- Il Forno
- Honey Pottery
- Slow Rise Bakery
- Manning Stainton
- Hunters
- Hardisty
- Martin and Co
- Konak Meze
- Card Factory
- Mortons of Horsforth
- Woodlawn
- Ideas

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- Napoli
- Morrisons
- Once Upon A Vine

Look out for supporters signs in their windows!

There will be additional events taking place on each Friday in June as part of our Fundraising Fridays; tonight is the staff quiz and next Friday there will be an ice-lolly and cake stall taking place on sports day.

Please keep an eye out for our regular social media updates and if you would like to support us reaching our fundraising goal, please visit our JustGiving page:

<https://www.justgiving.com/page/horsforthschool-1715690788953?newPage=true>



As usual, the link to the Podcast version is here:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1JO2mfKquWpB9eLTr7tE4QIRpt0fQsZfe/view?usp=sharing>

2024-2025 Term Dates

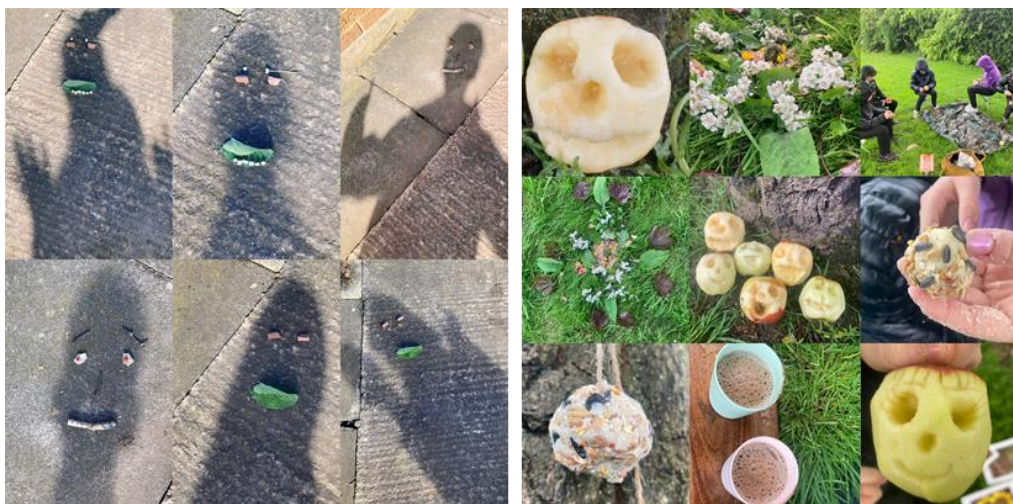
Please see below a link to the 2024-2025 term dates: <https://www.horsforthschool.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/06/Horsforth-School-Term-Dates-2024-25.pdf>

Outdoor Wellbeing

During their Outdoor Wellbeing sessions last half-term, students created shadow portraits, carved apple heads and modelled clay creatures. They made land art, bird feeders and explored mindful photography and nature journalling, as well as sound mapping, mindful scavenger hunts and drawing techniques such as

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scrafitto. They also learnt how to build, light and maintain a mini fire to toast marshmallows and make s'mores. Thank you to Miss Brotherton for organising the sessions!



Raising Awareness of Disabilities Through Art Work

Some of our students took part in a 'Raising Awareness of Disabilities Through Art Work' project in the summer term. Their work has been on display in the Merrion Centre and has formed part of a larger piece of artwork.



Year 11 World Languages Kahoot

Last half-term some of our Year 11 students took part in a 30-question World Languages Kahoot competition. Winners, Tobin and Aseel took home the giant bar of Cadbury's chocolate!

School Dinner Menu

Please click on the link below to view the food on offer for the coming week.

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1kr3tdnKUhOBtjmdyT_hrguBMzeoFcgxcAokkRYSIGvc/edit?usp=sharing

1. Please note menus may be subject to change due to product availability.
2. Please note some of the products we serve may contain peanuts, tree nuts, soy, milk, eggs and wheat. While we take steps to minimise the risk of cross-contamination, we cannot guarantee that any of our products are safe to consume for people with peanut, tree nut, soy, milk, egg or wheat allergies.

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3. Please note we will make every reasonable effort to ensure that the information provided is accurate; however, due to the very nature of food production there can be variations in each meal. As a school we are not able to provide 100% accurate information on the food we serve.

Come and Work at our School

[Take a look at our Vacancies webpage](#) to view the current roles we are recruiting. We are currently looking for a **SEND Learning Support Assistant**. You can always call the school for a chat about any of the jobs on offer on 0113 2265454. Please share with anyone you think might like to join our team.

Fixtures

Last night Year 11 had their final game and sadly lost on penalties after a feisty game against Bruntcliffe. The under 14's pitch did not suit our passing game and sadly played into our opponents hands. We went 1-0 down after a questionable offside decision, but Tom brought it back with a decisive header to make it 1-1. The second half saw a similar narrative as Bruntcliffe scored a well taken goal, only for Alec to pop up to send us to penalties. Sadly, our final game did not produce another penalty shootout win and Bruntcliffe won the game on penalties.

From Year 9 all the way to Year 11, the boys have been an absolute credit to themselves and the school. From winning the Leeds Cup in Year 9, to making the last 16 of the National Cup and to winning the Leeds League final this year, the boys have been phenomenal throughout. Highlights stretch from 5 out of 6 penalty shootout wins, to away day mini bus journeys, to McDonalds and Fish and Chips victory meals, to sensational goals, to "Oli at the back, Emre in attack", it has been quite the journey!

Good luck to all the boys and I hope they have a fantastic summer watching England win the Euros! Mr Davis says it has been an absolute pleasure to coach them throughout the last 3 years.



As the weather gets hotter we will be monitoring the temperature and call a 'jumpers off day' if it's too hot. Students will be informed in the morning if this is the case but must still bring their jumpers to school. Thank you for your support.

Yours faithfully,

Dr P Bell
Headteacher

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