

Horsforth School

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Dear Parent/Carer,

Thank you to so many of you for coming back into school for our information and parents' evenings. We really want to restart the in person contact again, communication is much better in person, but will be taking your voice on this at the end of the year to see how things have gone.

SEND (special educational needs and disabilities) Parent/Carer Drop In

Linked to improving communication we really want to be able to support our students who need it the most even better.

Our SEND team in school work to support the education of students who need additional help and support in line with their needs in order to make progress.

Whether your child is currently on the SEND register or you are questioning whether they have a potential SEND and there is something you wish to discuss or ask for advice on, we would like to give you the opportunity to do so on a drop in basis.

We hope this will give parents and carers an opportunity to speak to one of the team who can discuss possible support options with you in a timely manner.

This is new so please do bear with us. In order for us to plan for the event, please can you email sendadmin@horsforthschool.org if you wish to attend.

Some of our team will be available between 3 and 5pm on **25th January** in the library.

Please be aware that if we have a high volume of parents and carers wanting to attend we may have to offer an alternative date in addition to this. We will notify you if this is the case.

Vacancies

Two very exciting opportunities have arisen for a HR Officer and a General Kitchen Assistant to join Horsforth School.

If you are interested in these roles please click on this link <https://www.horsforthschool.org/vacancies/> or call 0113 2265454 for further details.

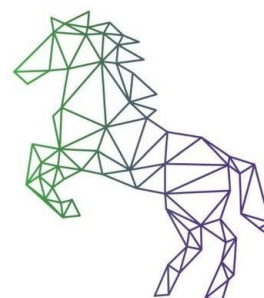
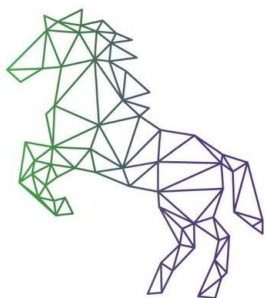
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Sixth Form at Horsforth Open Evening

We are excited to host our second open evening in our brand new Sixth Form building on Thursday 19th January at 5:30pm. Students and parents of Year 11 students who didn't get the opportunity to see this new facility in November are very welcome to join us. You can also share this with friends and family in other schools who are thinking about their options for Sixth Form in September 2023. Please register below: <https://forms.gle/ka4aqJvBHAzEwtge7>

Student Parliament Lunch Time Celebration

Mr Wilson was pleased to host a celebration lunch today in our conference room for our young parliamentarians who have recently been elected to the School's Parliament. Each member of parliament will sit on a panel looking at either respect and wellbeing; participation and aspiration or resilience and responsibility. We feel passionately that students in our school have a voice and are extremely proud of these young people who will give their time to participate in important discussions about Horsforth School, they will support each other and school staff in improving the school and will act as role models for their peers. This is a fantastic opportunity for these students to take a leadership role in student life.



Sports Fixtures

Girl's netball

Year 8 A vs PHGS won 7-5. Player of the match - Lily

Year 7 B vs PHGS won 4-3. Players of the match - Holly and Alice

Year 7 A vs PHGS lost 3-11. Player of the match - Amber

Girl's football

Year 7 vs Allerton Grange won 4-0

Year 7 vs Prince Henry's won 2-0

Year 7 vs Morley won 3-0

Year 7 vs Allerton High won 1-0

Boy's football

Our Year 8 boys beat Ralph Thoresby 4-0 in the 4th Round of the Yorkshire Cup. Despite the conditions, the boy's resilience & determination was fantastic. Player of the Match: Joshua.

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Year 9 lost to Roundhay in the Leeds Schools Cup 3rd round 1-2.

Year 10 lost to Ilkley 2-3 in the Leeds North-West league.

Sixth Form at Horsforth News

Camps International

Our Sixth Form students have been given the chance to go to Peru over the summer holidays. Students will get to experience authentic culture and environmental diversity in Camps International's unique network of permanent camps – built and staffed by local people and based right in the heart of amazing communities.

Debating Club

This week in Sixth Form Debating Club students debated if the moon landings were a conspiracy. Students argued using a variety of knowledge from the cold war and the space race and argued their points valiantly.

Ultimately there was only one team that could win and team 'no' to the conspiracy argued effectively by using an incredible knowledge of professors at the time and 1960's film reel quality to win!

Both sides did themselves proud and the students are improving every week, particularly in the examples and evidence they are bringing into their debates. Well done all!

The first two weeks have gone smoothly and the first term of our new buildings has led to very few teething problems, it's been great to see how the new facilities have been treated and how we have such a lovely atmosphere in the new Sixth Form common room. I hope to be able to invite you all to the new buildings later in the year.

Thank you, as always, for your support.

Yours faithfully

Dr P Bell
Headteacher

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