

## Horsforth School

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Dear Parent/Carer,

As I reflect on this half term I am incredibly proud of the efforts our students and staff have made in all areas. We have had some exceptional sporting successes, incredible effort in class and the way our students have approached their exams has been commendable. I look forward to another highly successful final half term of the year.

### Fundraising Event

During the month of June, Horsforth School is launching a big fundraising event called 'Challenge 30'. We had a democratic voting process in school to nominate a whole school charity, and we are pleased to inform you that we will be raising money for Candlelighters. Candlelighters is 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 this year. Our ambitious target is to try and raise £10,000 as a school.

To raise money, staff and students will be completing challenges based around the number 30. Mrs Marsh and Miss Lewis are running 10k a day for 30 days, Mrs Myers is making 30 meals for people in need, Miss Hill is doing 100 sit ups a day for 30 days, Mrs Stokes is cycling 10k a day for 30 days and there are many more! We have already had lots of ideas from students too. Well done to Maia in Year 10 who won the logo competition; check out the Challenge 30 logo below.

There will be a central JustGiving page where you can sponsor your child or members of staff and this will be shared after half term. Please look out for regular updates on our social media pages.



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Link to the Just Giving page: <https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/candlelighters-horsforth-school>

If you would like to send us photos or videos of your child taking part in Challenge 30 please send them to [Marketing@horsforthschool.org](mailto:Marketing@horsforthschool.org) and we will post them on our social media.

### **Year 11 Football Fun**

Making the most of the weather, our Year 11 students have organised a football match during lunch. They decorated their own shirts and Mrs Rowett was the referee.



### **Cadets Success**

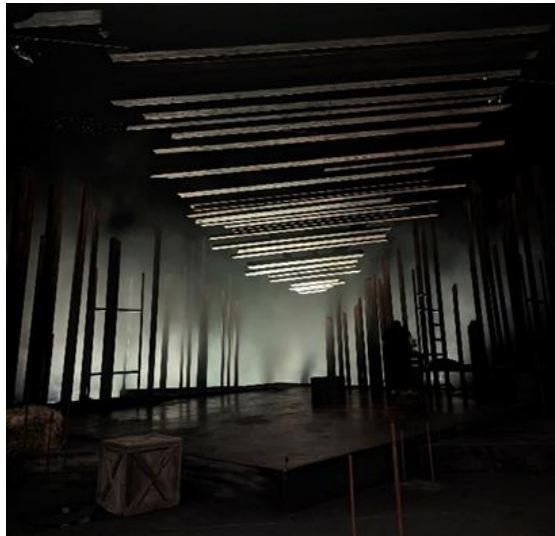
Isaac in Year 9 and Elena in Year 10 completed the Cadet version of the "World's toughest patrol test" this weekend with 6 other Cadets from Gateways School and got a Bronze medal. They patrolled approximately 30 km of harsh Welsh countryside over 12 hours carrying out 10 checkpoint challenges along the way. Out of 70,000 cadets in the UK, only around 140 were selected to take part putting them in the top 1% of Cadets.



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## Of Mice and Men Trip

After studying 'Of Mice and Men' in Year 9, a fantastic opportunity to watch a recent stage adaptation of the text has been offered to Year 10 students at West Yorkshire Playhouse. John Steinbeck's classic novel is more than 80 years old, but with themes of economic migration, racism, prejudice and exclusion it remains a parable for our times.



## Dancing Success

At the weekend Lilia and Matilda competed in the regional qualifier for classical (old style ballroom) and modern sequence dancing. Both girls qualified for the national finals taking place in Blackpool later in the year and Matilda won both her competitions becoming regional champion in both classical and modern.



## Year 11 Exam Timetable 2023 on Instagram

A quick and easy way to access the exam and revision timetable is via Horsforth School Instagram highlights - <https://www.instagram.com/horsforthschool/>

## Sports Fixtures

### Year 8 Cup Cricket Team

The Year 8 Cricket team beat Abbey Grange 106-1 with 7 overs to spare in the English Schools Cricket Cup. Oli retired on 50 Runs with Alfie bowled out on 42. Amazing opening partnership.

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### Year 8 League Cup Champions

It was a big night on Wednesday night for the Year 8 football champions in the Leeds Cup final! Winning 2-1 against a very good Morley Side. They played their hearts out against a quality side. Kupa, Jake and Leo were phenomenal throughout. Supporters represented us brilliantly too and were respectful throughout.

With lots of quality on show, the boys showed great resilience and determination to claim the victory. From Sam as Goalkeeper to Jake upfront, all the team this year have been fabulous.

All season the team has shown great ability and attitude, winning every game they have played and only conceding two goals all season...wow! Mr Maxwell and Mr Jacques are overwhelmed and so pleased for the team, they are truly a credit to the year group and the school.



### Leeds Schools Netball League Winners

Some of our Year 8 and 9 girls have all represented the school exceptionally well to win their netball leagues (1<sup>ST</sup> out of 9 teams). Gold medal position!

Miss Lancaster and Miss Schofield are extremely proud of the netball success we have achieved this year with just two staff members taking both home and away fixtures for all our age groups – the students have really done us proud and made the slog worth it. Great to see them with their medals.



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## ***Sixth Form at Horsforth News***

### Class of 2023

Today we had our Leavers Assembly for our fantastic Year 13 students (Class of 2023) who are on stand down after half term. We are sad to be saying goodbye but we are so proud of them and know they will do incredibly well in the future. Our assembly is a celebration of two years of hard work and success; where we get to say well done, good luck and we will miss you. We wish them well in their exams and every success in the future.

### Year 13 Exam Timetable 2023 on Instagram

A quick and easy way to access the exam and revision timetable is via Sixth Form at Horsforth Instagram highlights - [https://www.instagram.com/sixthform\\_athorsforth/](https://www.instagram.com/sixthform_athorsforth/)

### Golf Success

Niall in Year 12 has been asked to play in the Yorkshire Team Scratch Championships with Ollie and Thomas who are both currently full time golfers until they go to college in the USA in September.

This would be an excellent event to play in and is a practice round on 27th June and overnight stay, followed by overnight stay and competition on the 28th.

### Find Out What Goes on at the Sixth Form at Horsforth

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As we move into half term I hope our Year 11 and 13's manage to squeeze some rest in between revising, that the warm weather holds for us all and you have a wonderful, restful break.

Thank you, as always, for your support.

Yours faithfully

Dr P Bell  
Headteacher

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