

# THE COACHING CHRONICLE

WETHERBY HIGH SCHOOL



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**On Friday 31st January, a group of Year 8,9 and 10 students were invited to attend the Leeds Learning Alliance to discuss and share ideas about the things they believe should be improved or changed within Leeds.**



They were able to witness a panel of five, one of which was Year 10 student **TM-W** proudly representing Wetherby High School, to give a final speech about their main concerns and appreciations about Leeds. This was being broadcasted on display screens.

This was an amazing opportunity for the students as they not only found ways to enhance Leeds by expressing their thoughts and feelings but also developed friendships with the other students from other schools.



# THE NOTICE BOARD

WOULD YOU RATHER EAT CHOCOLATE FROM THE FRIDGE OR FROM THE CUPBOARD?

WETHERBY HIGH SCHOOL PRESENTS -

## TEMPO FM RADIO



### ENDEAVOUR

PLEASE SPEAK TO MR MARTIN OR MISS SWANN FOR MORE INFO.



## WHAT'S COMING UP! FEBRUARY



### Monday 10th

- Venture presentation

### Wednesday 12th

- Year 11 Leeds Apprenticeship Recruitment Fair

### Thursday 13th

- Year 4 Primary Sports event

### Friday 14th

- Merit assemblies

## WELL DONE!



### Save the Children

Well done to all our students for their fantastic efforts for the Christmas jumper day back in December!

We raised an amazing **£292.89** for Save the Children.

DID YOU KNOW... THERE ARE NO BLUE FRUITS. BLUEBERRIES ARE PURPLE.

Leeds and Bradford Triathlon Club

## JUNIOR AQUATHLON

Sunday 1st June

The Edge - Leeds University

ALL abilities welcomed and indeed encouraged

Perfect way to start multi-sport events

Same heated pool used by Olympians

Closed running course set within the University grounds

Professional chip timing

Medals & goodies for all competitors

No special equipment needed

Distances based on age

- TriStar Start (8 years) - 50m Swim & 600m Run
- TriStar 1 (9-10 years) - 150m Swim & 1200m Run
- TriStar 2 (11-12 years) - 250m Swim & 1800m Run
- TriStar 3 (13-14 years) - 400m Swim & 3000m Run
- Youth (15-16 years) - 400m & 3000m Run
- Junior B (17-18 YRS) - 400m Swim & 3000m Run

Note: Ages are as of December 31st 2023.

This event always sells out each year so **Book Here** <https://lbt.org.uk/junior-aquathlon/> or just google or scan the QR code



ENTER ONLINE NOW



# ATTENDANCE MATTERS

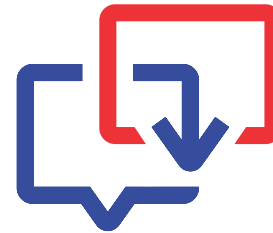
Who will win the **Hot Spot** prize!

**HOT  
SPOT**



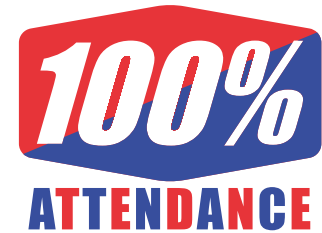
During **Merit assemblies** we will be announcing the winners of the Hotspot prizes and drawing a winner for **95% and above attendance.**

***Will it be you!***



## COACHING GROUP DISCUSSION

- Who in your group is the rock when it comes to attendance and should be praised for being here all the time?
- Who in your group is the rising star whose attendance is improving?
- Who needs to improve their attendance to support the group?



**TOP 3**  
COACHING GROUPS  
WITH 100% ATTENDANCE

<b>COACHING GROUP</b>
<b>BR6</b>
<b>TO17</b>
<b>TR7</b>

For week 4 of this half-term they all achieved 100% attendance as a group.

**Fast Passes have been awarded for this amazing achievement!**

# OUR TIPS FOR SUCCESS: SECURING AN APPRENTICESHIP



## START THE PROCESS EARLY!

Some employers advertise early in the year for a September start

## WHERE TO FIND VACANCIES

-  Sign up to York College's mailing list by emailing [apprenticeships@yorkcollege.ac.uk](mailto:apprenticeships@yorkcollege.ac.uk)
-  Apprenticeship Service – you can search by postcode or job sector for live vacancies [www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk](http://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk)
-  Employer websites
-  Social media
-  Approach employers directly by email, phone or visit and have an up-to-date CV ready
-  Job sites such as **Indeed** and **GetMyFirstJob**



**All vacancies remain open until the position is filled.**  
 Contact the employer directly via email to find out more details and to apply.  
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**HOSPITALITY  
 TEAM  
 MEMBER  
 Level 2**

**THE OLD LIQUOR STORE  
 RESTAURANT & BAR  
 YORK**  
[hello@theoldliquorstore.co.uk](mailto:hello@theoldliquorstore.co.uk)

**BRICKLAYER**  
 Level 2  
**Starting summer  
 2025**

**POTTON DESIGNS LTD**  
 York/Selby area  
 Brenden Potton  
[info@pottondd.co.uk](mailto:info@pottondd.co.uk)

**COMMIS  
 CHEF  
 Level 2**

**BABA GANOUSH**  
 York  
 Ashley Hyde: 01904 848490



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# YEAR 11 UPDATES

## YEAR 11 FEBRUARY HALF-TERM REVISION SESSIONS

Over half-term, students in Year 11 are expected to continue with their revision work to best prepare them for their exams.

To support them with this all students are invited into school for the following revision sessions:

### MONDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY

9:30 - 10:30	<b>History / DT / Maths</b> (Miss Woodley / Mr Hudson / Mrs Richardson's class)
10:30 - 11:30	<b>English</b>
11:30 - 12:30	<b>French</b>
12:30 - 14:00	<b>Food Technology</b>

### TUESDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY

9:30 - 10:30	<b>Art / CamNat PE</b>
10:30 - 11:30	<b>Science</b>
11:30 - 12:30	<b>Photography / Maths</b> (Mrs Boel's and Mr Craig's class)

Students are encouraged to attend these sessions which will be led by their subject teachers. If students have any clashes with multiple subjects running at the same time then the student will be directed by their teachers as to which session to attend.



## YEAR 11 SHOUT-OUTS

**All of the Food Technology students** for cooking and completing their practical exam.

- **All of the GCSE musicians** for singing, drumming and riffing through their solo performance exams.
- **Matthew Smith** for a brilliant work ethic with his revision.
- **Tyler Wray** for his work ethic during the food exam - fantastic chicken dish!
- **Isla Sheldrick** - amazing essay writing skills in English!

Alongside these sessions students will also be set revision work to complete at home as detailed in their Revision Dairies.

## YEAR 11 UPDATES

# GCSE FOOD PRACTICAL EXAM



**The students have truly excelled this year both with the choice of dishes and the skill level displayed in making them.**

The students were relaxed and showed great pace throughout.

A sense of real achievement was experienced by all and the students left with huge smiles after the exam was finished. Some of the standout dishes were lemon meringue pie, plaited breads, gyzo soup, ravioli and lasagne.

The students truly stepped up and we in the food department felt privileged to experience it with them.

# YEAR 11 MUSIC EXAM





# BASECAMP ADVENTURE TRUST

**Last week, a group of students embarked on an exciting three-day trip to Borrowdale, packed with outdoor adventures and team-building activities.**

The group arrived on Wednesday and after a gentle stroll to the lakeside in Keswick for a picnic lunch they spent the afternoon at an indoor climbing centre, which tested their problem-solving and teamwork skills. The day culminated in a thrilling night abseil in a disused quarry, which challenged the children to face their fear and try to overcome them using teamwork and encouragement.

After a wonderful night's sleep Thursday saw the group embark on a six-hour mountain hike up Catbells. The weather was very kind to us and the children enjoyed the day even though they had to dig deep into their reserves to complete a very tough but enjoyable hike, being rewarded with incredible views from the top. After dinner the children had some downtime in the hostel and enjoyed watching a film before another night of unbroken sleep for all.

On the final day, Friday, the group enjoyed a short hike to the banks of Derwent Water to do bushcraft and campfire which they really enjoyed. It was a relaxing morning prior to driving back to school in a very quiet minibus trip back to school.

Throughout the trip, the children demonstrated remarkable resilience, teamwork, and enthusiasm, making the experience enjoyable and rewarding for everyone involved.



The Borrowdale adventure was a true success, leaving participants with lasting memories and a sense of accomplishment.



# CEP MARATHON FENCING COMPETITION



AM represented the England Fencing Squad at the CEP Marathon Fencing Competition in Paris, France, where he competed in the European Fencing Competition.

AM did really well for his first international competition. There were 700 fencers that were selected from all over the globe competing from USA, China, Europe and South America.

In his category he managed to finish 108 out of 250 fencers, narrowly missing going into the last 105 places for the play-offs!

We are all so proud of him in our Coaching group, as we know how hard he trains for fencing, but also how hard he works in all his other subjects at school too.

He deserves the recognition for this outstanding achievement. It's incredibly inspiring to have a member of our Coaching group represent our country in a sport they are so dedicated to.

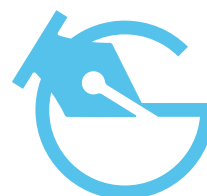
# GRAPHIC DESIGN

Last term, Year 9 graphic designers worked on a project where they had to design a new skateboard for the trainer company vans.



They created initial sketches and then drew these sketches on the iPad to create a digital drawing of their skateboard.

They then used this design to create a custom pair of Vans shoes to add to their collection.



Students then had to come up with an Ad campaign where they would create a poster, billboard and social media post to advertise their new Vans collection!

**A huge well done to all Year 9 graphic designers!**

*Miss Scott and Miss Brookes*



# Jack & the Beanstalk



SJ in Year 9 has recently been performing as a dancer in the Yeadon Town Hall pantomime production of 'Jack and the Beanstalk'.



**Here is what SJ had to say about her time in the production:**

*In the pantomime I was a dancer along with another 9 other talented dancers! I also played a part as a security guard who worked with the baddie and had to try catch Jack and Jill.*

*My favourite part of the pantomime was the finale dance and bows when everyone was clapping and cheering for you.*

*My favourite characters off the stage were Meg (Jill) and Rick (Dame Trott) because they were so sweet, funny and really supportive. They were always there for you if you need to talk to anyone! However, on the stage I loved Lee Lard who played Donald the cow because he was so funny and there were lots of laughs from the audience.*

*One of the funniest parts of the show is when Dame Trott threw a sun beam (One of the younger dancers) into the pit. It was hilarious watching the audience faces as a sun beam disappears!*

Miss Brookes, Miss Milner and Miss Scott went along to see Scarlet in the Panto!

It was a brilliant (and very funny) night and lovely to see one of our students be so passionate about dance!

Scarlet was a great performer and really gave it her all and clearly took pride in what she was doing! We hope to see you in Cinderella next year!

Well done SJ!





**In 2025 it is expected that Ramadan will begin on 28th February and that the celebration at the end of Ramadan, called Eid, will be on the 30th or 31st of March. The dates can change slightly as it depends on the cycle of the Moon.**

Ramadan falls during this month because this is when the Muslim holy book, the Qur'an was first given to the Prophet Muhammad (pbuh).

## WHAT HAPPENS DURING RAMADAN & WHY?

- During the month of Ramadan, Muslims won't eat or drink between dawn and sunset. This is called fasting.
- Fasting is important during Ramadan as Muslims believe it helps them to show commitment to their faith and to be closer to Allah.
- Ramadan is also a time for prayer and for doing good deeds such as charity work and volunteering in your local community or Mosque.

## WHAT IS IFTAR?

At the end of the fast each day families and friends will get together to eat, often starting with water and dates. This meal is known as Iftar.



## WHAT IS EID?

There is a special festival to mark the end of Ramadan called Eid-al-Fitr. It begins when the first sight of the new moon is seen in the sky. Communities and families will meet and celebrate together and children can be given gifts and new clothes.

## HOW WILL WE CELEBRATE IN SCHOOL?

Ramadan Mubraka is a way of wishing someone well during the holy month. It translates to "Blessed Ramadan". You could also say "Ramadan Kareem" which means "Generous Ramadan".

If you want to help us to arrange a school celebration, or to help us to support you during Ramadan, then come up and see Mrs Farr in AT2 on a Wednesday or Friday lunchtime.

# HOUSE POINTS



## HOUSE POINT TOTALS



### TOP STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

FM	TO6	20
MG	TO9	17
EP	TR12	16
E-ML	RO11	14
TM	TR13	14
RB	TR13	13
ND	TR13	13
TU	RO17	12
CB	RO17	12
AR	TO7	12

### TOP COACHING GROUPS OF THE WEEK



TR13	88
RO17	75
TR14	61
BR14	51
TO6	48
RO4	48
TR2	45
BR11	43
TO15	42
TO1	40



### LAST WEEK'S HOUSE POINTS



# Subject Nominations

**AMAZING ARTIST**

**RA**

YEAR 7  
Outstanding midterm drawing.




**AMAZING ARTIST**

**JU**



YEAR 7  
Outstanding midterm drawing.




**AMAZING ARTIST**

**EW**



YEAR 9  
Consistent effort in lessons and for Online Learning.

**AMAZING ARTIST**

**AP**



YEAR 10  
Commitment to completing quality coursework.

**AMAZING ARTIST**

**JJ**



YEAR 11  
Working hard to keep up with art deadlines.

**AMAZING ARTIST**

**MS**



YEAR 11  
Working hard to keep up with art deadlines.

**COMPUTER SUPERSTAR**

**AR**



YEAR 9  
Great progress and new confidence in computing.

**COMPUTER SUPERSTAR**

**HD**


YEAR 9  
Great progress and new confidence in computing.

**COMPUTER SUPERSTAR**

**HB**



YEAR 9  
Great progress in computing.

**COMPUTER SUPERSTAR**

**SM**

YEAR 9  
Great progress and new confidence in computing.

**COMPUTER SUPERSTAR**

**MW**

YEAR 9  
Great progress and new confidence in computing.




**LEGENDARY LINGUIST**

**KT**

YEAR 7  
Superb progress in midterms.




**LEGENDARY LINGUIST**

**IP**

YEAR 8  
Super work in midterms.




**LEGENDARY LINGUIST**

**EB**



YEAR 9  
Super work in midterms.




**LEGENDARY LINGUIST**

**LB**

YEAR 9  
Super work in midterms.


**GRAPHICS GENIUS**

**KW**

YEAR 8  
Outstanding midterm digital collage.

# Subject Nominations





**GEOGRAPHY GIANT**

**SK**

YEAR 9  
Improved character for learning resulting in good progress.




**GEOGRAPHY GIANT**

**LB-F**

YEAR 10  
For an excellent character for learning, especially when addressing gaps and feedback lessons.




**GEOGRAPHY GIANT**

**VT-V**

YEAR 8  
For trying their best and showing huge improvements since the start of the year - well done!




**GEOGRAPHY GIANT**

**IG**

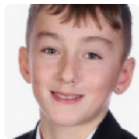

YEAR 8  
Fantastic improvement in attitude and engagement in geography lessons.




**GEOGRAPHY GIANT**

**LW**


YEAR 11  
For trying their best and vastly improved motivation/effort in geography.

**MATHS MASTER**

**AL**

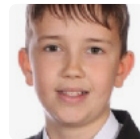
YEAR 9  
Consistent hard work and dedication in maths.




**MATHS MASTER**

**CP**

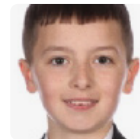

YEAR 10  
Excellent attitude to learning leading to great progress.




**MATHS MASTER**

**CS**



YEAR 7  
Sharing his excellent knowledge with others around him to support his own and others' progress.

**MATHS MASTER**

**JG**

YEAR 7  
Fantastic character for learning every lesson, leading to good progress.

**MATHS MASTER**

**FA**

YEAR 8  
Excellent progress shown in class and midterms.




**HISTORY HERO**

**EP**

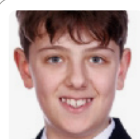

YEAR 7  
For being a passionate and excellent historian.




**HISTORY HERO**

**ZM**



YEAR 7  
For being an amazing historian.

**HISTORY HERO**

**HD**



YEAR 8  
Fantastic effort and result on your midterm.

**HISTORY HERO**

**AK**



YEAR 8  
Great resilience and leading the learning in history.

**TALENTED IN TECHNOLOGY**

**WK**

YEAR 9  
For producing a wide range of design ideas for the desk tidy project.






**TALENTED IN TECHNOLOGY**

**IA**

YEAR 11  
For being a DT legend!



# Subject Nominations

**MAJOR MUSICIAN**

**MH**



YEAR 9  
A positive influence on all around her.

**MAJOR MUSICIAN**

**AK**



YEAR 7  
Great contributions in lesson.

**MAJOR MUSICIAN**

**EH**



YEAR 10  
Great progress with coursework.

**MAJOR MUSICIAN**

**LK**

YEAR 10  
Great effort and focus.

**EXCELLENCE IN ENGLISH**

**HK**

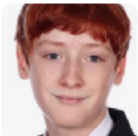

YEAR 11  
For trying really hard recently in lessons. Well done.




**EXCELLENCE IN ENGLISH**

**EMcGT**



YEAR 8  
For excellent and consistent determination and motivation which is building to great progress.

**REMARKABLE RE**

**MP**



YEAR 7  
Excellent effort and questions in REP!

**REMARKABLE RE**

**CM**



YEAR 7  
Wonderful work in REP.

**REMARKABLE RE**

**AS**



YEAR 7  
Wonderful attitude and work in REP.

**REMARKABLE RE**

**IG**



YEAR 8  
Excellent work in REP.

**REMARKABLE RE**

**TD**



YEAR 8  
Excellent attitude and work in REP.

**REMARKABLE RE**

**EB**



YEAR 8  
Great attitude and written work in REP.

**REMARKABLE RE**

**TZ**



YEAR 8  
Brilliant questions and ideas in REP!

**REMARKABLE RE**

**MB**



YEAR 9  
Excellent character for learning in REP.

**REMARKABLE RE**

**HG**

YEAR 9  
Excellent character for learning in REP.

**REMARKABLE RE**

**SP**

YEAR 9  
Excellent effort in REP.





RESULTS	DATE	SPORT	SCORE	AGAINST
	21/01/25	Year 10 Netball	WHS win	Allerton High
	29/01/25	Year 8 Netball	14-4 WHS win	Boston Spa
	29/01/25	Year 10 Football	3-1 win	Garforth Academy
	03/02/25	Year 11 Football	3-0 win	Garforth Academy

WETHERBY	3
GARFORTH ACADEMY	1

## YEAR 10 FOOTBALL

**Wetherby have never beaten Garforth Academy since playing them twice in semi-finals in Year 7.**

They have always been too strong and had too much depth compared to the Wetherby team. With a number of key players missing it was down to JS to shine who was selected as not only team captain but also team manager for this game.

JS organized the team and selected the starting line up including a new look 3-5-2 formation. The back three looked solid with JS leading the line with B and K either side... nothing was getting past them. Going forward their was creativity and very quickly they realised that the pace of K was too much; early balls over the top with balls to his feet. It wasn't long before K had slotted home twice on the break and put Wetherby 2-0 up at half-time.

An inspirational team talk from captain/manager JS with a few pointers from Mr King and straight from the break A used exceptional skill to chip the keeper from the 18 yard box.

The rest of the second half went back and forth with Wetherby in control before JS decided it was time to do some WWE wrestling and dragged his man to the floor conceding a penalty. Luckily this was blazed over the bar and towards the Royal Mail sorting office but W in sheer excitement played a quick goal kick with no one else ready and Garforth scored. Sheer panic became contagious and Wetherby had to dig deep for the final five minutes.

*Mr King*



# CHALLENGE KING



## WEEK 9

PAPER COPY COMPLETED AND HANDED INTO MR KING'S STAFF TRAY BY **FRIDAY 14TH FEBRUARY**.

- Can be completed by the whole Coaching group, a few members of the Coaching group or just one member of the Coaching group.
- House points awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd.
- Bonus points if you beat Mr King.

### FIXTURES

BRIGHTON V CHELSEA	1-2
LEICESTER V ARSENAL	0-3
ASTON VILLA V IPSWICH	3-0
FULHAM V NOTTS FOREST	0-2
MAN CITY V NEWCASTLE	2-1
SOUTHAMPTON V BOURNEMOUTH	0-2
WEST HAM V BRENTFORD	3-1
CRYSTAL PALACE V EVERTON	1-0
LIVERPOOL V WOLVES	2-0
TOTTENHAM V MAN UTD	2-1

### GK

### COACHING GROUP

#### WEEK 8 RESULTS

Mr King	5 points
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#### FIRST

TR4	Mrs Orrah	11 points	10 House points
BR16	Miss Oakley	10 points	5 House points

#### BONUS POINTS - 2 House points each

RO5	9 points	BR14	9 points
RO2	9 points	BR10	6 points
RO10	6 points	BR12	6 points
RO3	6 points		

TR3	6 points	TO3	9 points
TR9	6 points	TO5	7 points
TR1	7 points	TO15	7 points
TR5	8 points		
TR10	7 points		
TR12	8 points		
TR13	8 points		